

OAN State Priorities At a Glance



Labor and Immigration

- **Workforce availability** — Support state-level efforts to address agricultural worker shortages, including H-2A assistance and driving privileges for all Oregonians
- **Paid family leave** — Support employee-paid program
- **Worker Protection Standard** — Support flexibility for growers, including updated rules that will promote worker safety while being compatible with agricultural practices



Water and environment

- **Water supply** — Create a cohesive statewide water vision addressing quality and supply
- **Ground water studies** — Support funding for ground water studies
- **Water transfers** — Support changes to the law that will allow for faster approvals
- **Climate change** — Support climate policies that promote best practices, acknowledge growers' positive contribution to fighting climate change, and hold ag producers harmless for cost increases in energy and fuel. Support environmental offsets for highway/road projects through use of trees and shrubs along corridors.
- **OSHA Application Exclusion Zone (AEZ) rule** — Amend rule to not be more stringent than federal standards, or support changes to mirror current sustainable ag practices.
- **Pathogens and diseases** — Funding for Sudden Oak Death project in Southern Oregon



Taxes and Budget

- **Oregon Department of Agriculture Nursery Emergency Fund** — Protect funding against potential reappropriation
- **PERS** — Support reforms to fix cost curve and reduce unfunded actuarial liability
- **Property taxes** — Resolve county assessment issue for agricultural equipment exemptions
- **Natural Resource Agencies programs** — Support funding for programs and services that impact agriculture
- **Taxes** — Oppose revenue-raising measures that unfairly harm or target agricultural producers and produce a competitive disadvantage for traded sector industries. Recognize the cumulative impact of taxes and regulations.



Transportation, Land Use and Infrastructure

- **Land use** — Oppose bills that do not protect productive agricultural lands.
- **Transportation taxes and fees** — Oppose policies that increase cost of moving goods to market
- **Transportation infrastructure** — Support policies that improve infrastructure and facilitate the movement of goods to market.



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Oregon Nurseries: Growing for the Future

Oregon's Top Commodity

Nursery Products were Oregon's #1 agricultural commodity by value in 2016

1. Nursery and Greenhouse

\$948 million

- 2. Cattle/Calves \$695 million
- 3. Hay \$585 million
- 4. Milk \$500 million
- 5. Grass Seed \$455 million

PLANTS PROVIDE BENEFITS

Clean Water • Clean Air
Increased Property Values
Reduce Stress • Prevent Crime
Promote Public Safety
Promote Health
Improve Neighborhoods

More info: PlantSomethingOregon.com/pmlb

ALL IN A DAY'S WORK

In 2014, Oregon nurseries employed

22,859
workers,

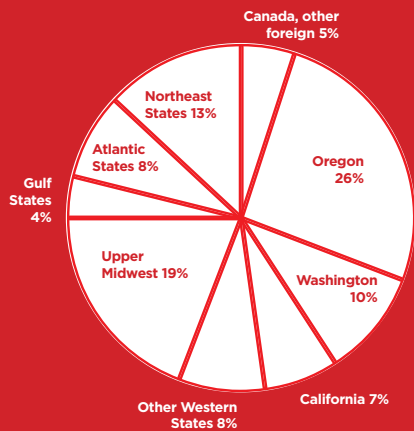
and had an annual payroll of

\$327.6 million

WE GO EVERYWHERE

74%

of Oregon's gross nursery sales are to other states and countries, injecting **traded sector dollars** into Oregon's economy



Oregon is... **#1** in Conifers, Shade Trees, Christmas Trees & Flowering Trees

Source: USDA Census of Agriculture



INDUSTRY-FUNDED NURSERY RESEARCH

Production • Breeding • Pests • Diseases

\$235,000 in 2018

700+ members

in the Oregon Association of Nurseries

Wholesale Nurseries • Retailers • Suppliers
Service Providers • Landscape Trade
Christmas Tree Growers



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Oregon Agriculture Regions

Top 20 commodities (Source: Oregon Department of Agriculture)

WILLAMETTE VALLEY

- Apples
- Beef
- Blackberries
- Blueberries
- Cherries
- Christmas trees
- Eggs
- Grapes for wine
- Grass seed
- Hay
- Hazelnuts
- Milk/dairy/cheese
- Mint
- Nursery/greenhouse**
- Onions
- Pears
- Potatoes
- Sweet corn
- Wheat

MID-COLUMBIA

- Apples
- Blueberries
- Cherries
- Grapes for wine
- Pears

COLUMBIA PLATEAU

- Apples
- Beef
- Blueberries
- Cherries
- Grapes for wine
- Grass seed
- Hay
- Milk/dairy/cheese
- Onions
- Potatoes
- Sweet corn
- Wheat



NORTHEAST OREGON

- Beef
- Cherries
- Grapes for wine
- Hay
- Mint
- Onions
- Potatoes
- Wheat

SOUTHERN OREGON

- Apples
- Beef
- Blueberries
- Grapes for wine
- Hay
- Milk/dairy/cheese
- Mint
- Pears
- Potatoes

SOUTHEAST OREGON

- Beef
- Hay
- Milk/dairy/cheese
- Potatoes
- Wheat

COASTAL OREGON

- Christmas trees
- Dungeness crab
- Milk/dairy/cheese
- Nursery/greenhouse**

CENTRAL OREGON

- Beef
- Blueberries
- Grass seed
- Hay
- Mint
- Potatoes
- Wheat

OVERALL,
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Oregon's #1
agricultural
commodity by
annual sales.
(2016)



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