

5.4.3 Impact of a 1,600 Head Robotic Dairy Farm

Table 21 shows the estimated economic impact of the construction of a 1,600 head robotic dairy facility in North Dakota. The construction of this facility is expected to support 65 total jobs and have a one-time impact of \$4.6 million in labor income, \$6.4 million in value added, and nearly \$13.2 million in total sales.

Table 21. Robotic Dairy Farm Construction Impact Summary

Robotic Dairy Farm Construction Impact Summary								
Impact Type	Employment	Labor Income		Value Added		Output		
Direct	41	\$	3,000,636	\$	3,661,799	\$	7,817,658	
Indirect	10	\$	777,878	\$	1,435,321	\$	2,998,904	
Induced	14	\$	778,113	\$	1,297,899	\$	2,410,063	
Total	65	\$	4,556,627	\$	6,395,019	\$	13,226,625	

The dairy's construction is estimated to generate around \$1.4 million in total tax revenue, with around \$545,000 paid at the federal level and \$133,000 paid at the state and local levels (Table 22).

Table 22. Robotic Dairy Farm Construction Tax Impact

Robotic Dairy Farm Construction Tax Impact							
Impact Type	State and Local			Federal	Total		
Direct	\$	221,023	\$	610,326	\$	831,350	
Indirect	\$	200,240	\$	174,793	\$	375,033	
Induced	\$	67,512	\$	173,080	\$	240,592	
Total	\$	488,776	\$	958,199	\$	1,446,974	

Some of the industries most impacted by the diary's construction include sand and gravel mining, truck transportation, healthcare, and banking (Table 23).

Table 23. Robotic Dairy Farm Top Industries Impacted

Robotic Dairy Farm Construction Top Industries Impacted						
Industry	Total Value Added					
Construction of new commercial structures, including farm structures	\$	2,185,462				
Ready-mix concrete manufacturing	\$	1,258,809				
Sand and gravel mining	\$	421,857				
Owner-occupied dwellings	\$	184,664				
Truck transportation	\$	157,360				
Hospitals	\$	134,473				
Monetary authorities and depository credit intermediation	\$	111,225				
Wholesale - Other durable goods merchant wholesalers	\$	108,027				
Offices of physicians	\$	75,669				
Oil and gas extraction	.\$	69,857				

The estimated operations impact of a 1,600 head robotic dairy in North Dakota is shown in Table 24. The new farm is expected to directly employ 10 workers who make a collective \$1.2 million in labor income and generate more than \$1.1 million in value added annually. After accounting for indirect and induced



effects, the total operations impact is nearly \$14.3 million in output, nearly \$4.8 million in value added, and 36 jobs.

Table 24. Robotic Dairy Farm Operations Impact Summary

Robotic Dairy Farm Operations Impact Summary								
Impact Type	Employment	Employment Labor Income			lue Added	Output		
Direct	10	\$	1,201,244	\$	1,911,847	\$	7,594,858	
Indirect	17	\$	1,159,569	\$	2,031,421	\$	5,156,330	
Induced	9	\$	485,777	\$	810,521	\$	1,505,254	
Total	36	\$	2,846,590	\$	4,753,789	\$	14,256,443	

The operations of a 1,600 head robotic dairy is estimated to generate nearly \$763,000 in total annual tax revenue, with around \$599,000 paid at the federal level and \$164,000 paid at the state and local levels (Table 25).

Table 25. Robotic Dairy Farm Operations Tax Impact

Robotic Dairy Farm Operations Tax Impact								
Impact Type	State and Local			Federal	Total			
Direct	\$	50,689	\$	238,074	\$	288,764		
Indirect	\$	71,813	\$	252,391	\$	324,204		
Induced	\$	41,908	\$	108,071	\$	149,979		
Total	\$	164,411	\$	598,536	\$	762,947		

In addition to the industry representing milk production (dairy cattle and milk production), other industries impacted by the dairy's operations include grain farming, truck transportation, and other animal food manufacturing (Table 26).

Table 26. Robotic Dairy Farm Operations Top Industries Impacted

Robotic Dairy Farm Operations Top Industries Impacted						
Industry	Total Value Added					
Dairy cattle and milk production	\$	1,911,936				
Wholesale - Other nondurable goods merchant wholesalers	\$	505,129				
Other real estate	\$	192,722				
Grain farming	\$	129,866				
Owner-occupied dwellings	\$	116,466				
Truck transportation	\$	115,139				
Hospitals	\$	83,467				
Monetary authorities and depository credit intermediation	\$	79,530				
Other animal food manufacturing	\$	76,439				
Oil and gas extraction	\$	65,303				