WHY THE EXPORT MARKET IS IMPORTANT FOR U.S. DAIRY

- The U.S. is the world’s largest dairy milk producer and second largest dairy exporter, contributing 15% of the world’s total milk production.
- In the U.S., dairy production is the second largest livestock sector (after beef).
- U.S. dairy exports account for 15.5% of its total annual production.
- In 2013, U.S. dairy exports reached $6.7 billion – a record-high, and a 31% or $1.6 billion increase from 2012.
- Mexico is the largest export market for U.S. dairy, with a 21% market-share, followed by China and Canada with 11% and 8% market-shares respectively.

U.S. Dairy Export to the World: 2000-2013 (Million $)

U.S. Ag Exports by Commodity (2013)