

Global Florida Webinar: NAFTA Modernization Update

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Agenda

NAFTA Modernization Update

- I. Welcome | Dan Tapia, Manager, International Policy & Strategy, Florida Chamber of Commerce
- II. Guest Speakers:
 - Stan Connally Jr., Chairman, President & CEO, Gulf Power Company Policy Council Chair & Chair-Elect, Florida Chamber of Commerce
 - The Honorable Neal Dunn, Florida's 2nd Congressional District
 - Alice Ancona, Director, International Strategy & Policy, Florida Chamber of Commerce
 - Ron Oleynik, Partner, Holland & Knight
 - Susan Harper, Consul General of Canada, Miami
- **III.** Audience Comments
- IV. Adjourn

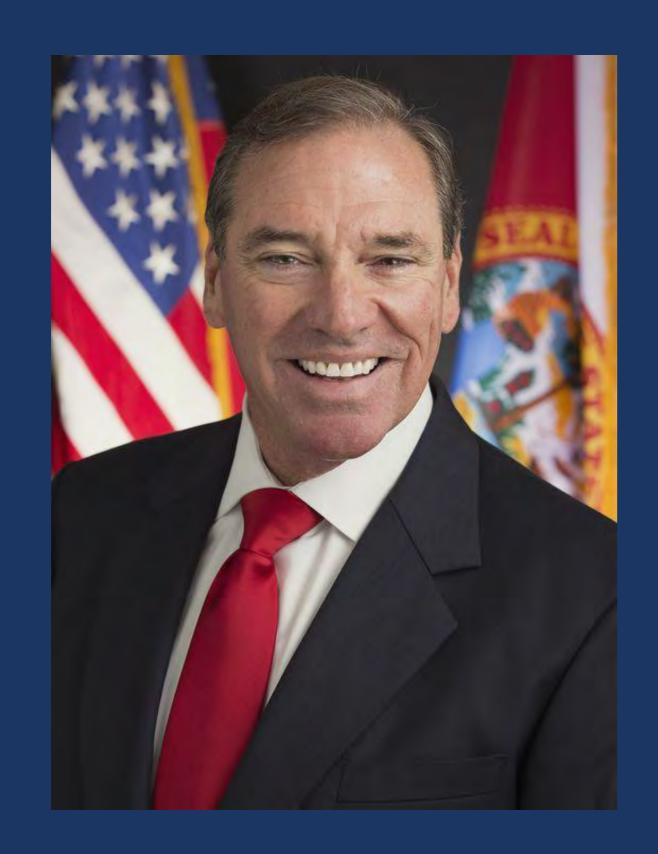




STAN CONNALLY JR.

Chairman, President & CEO
Gulf Power Company
Policy Council Chair & Chair-Elect, Florida
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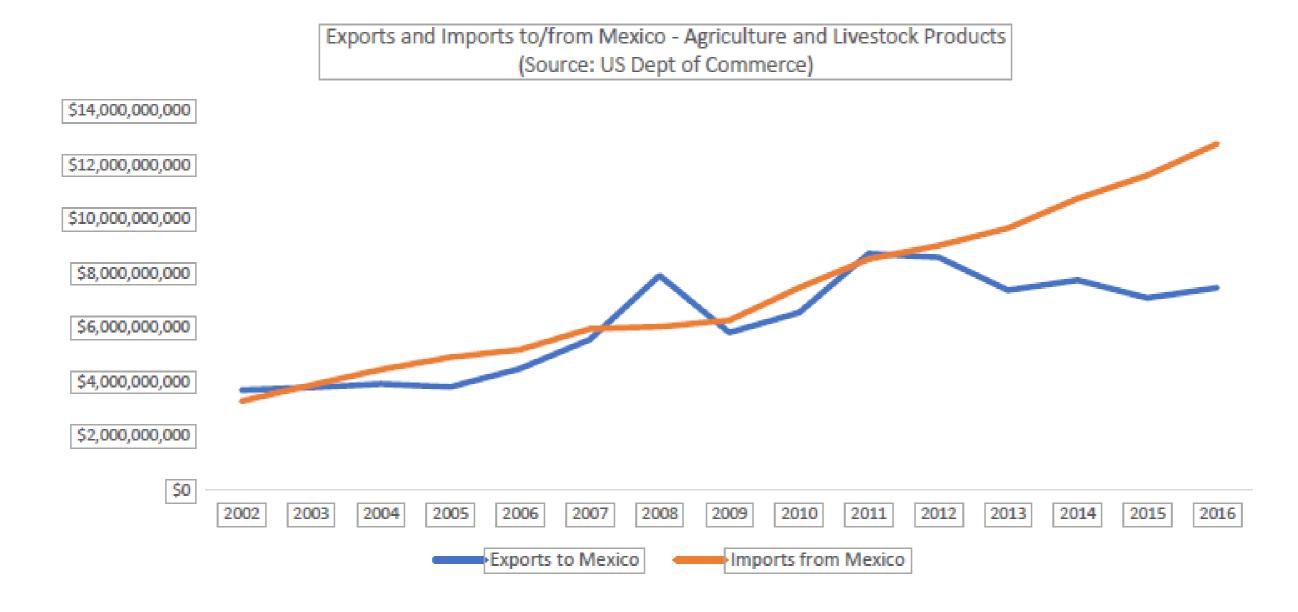


DR. NEAL DUNN

United States House of Representatives Florida's 2nd Congressional District

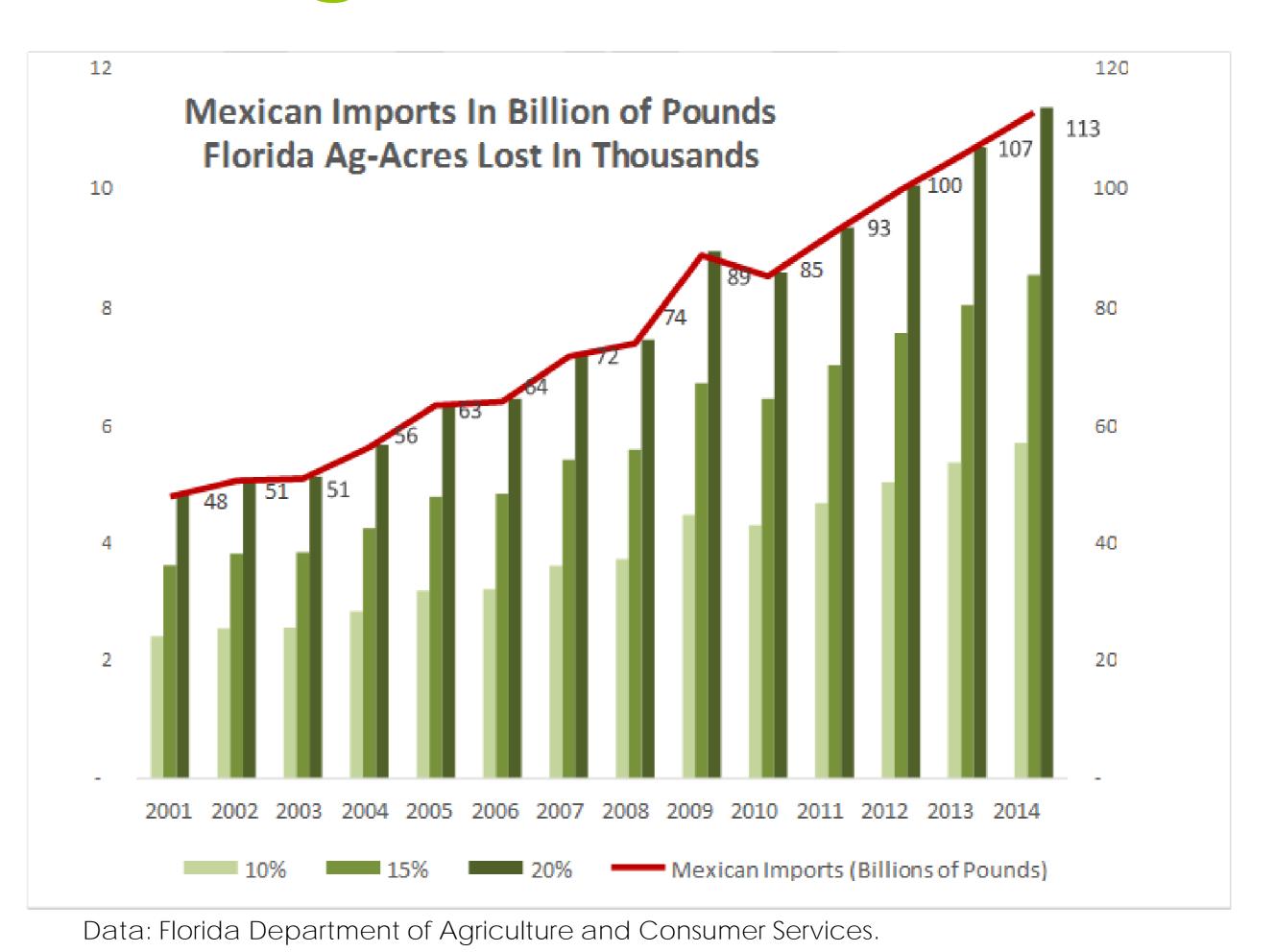


• Although the United States is one of the world's major agricultural producers, Mexico's extraordinary expansion in fruit and vegetable shipments to the United States is creating a growing trade deficit in US-Mexico agricultural trade. As of 2016, that deficit exceeded \$5.3 billion.

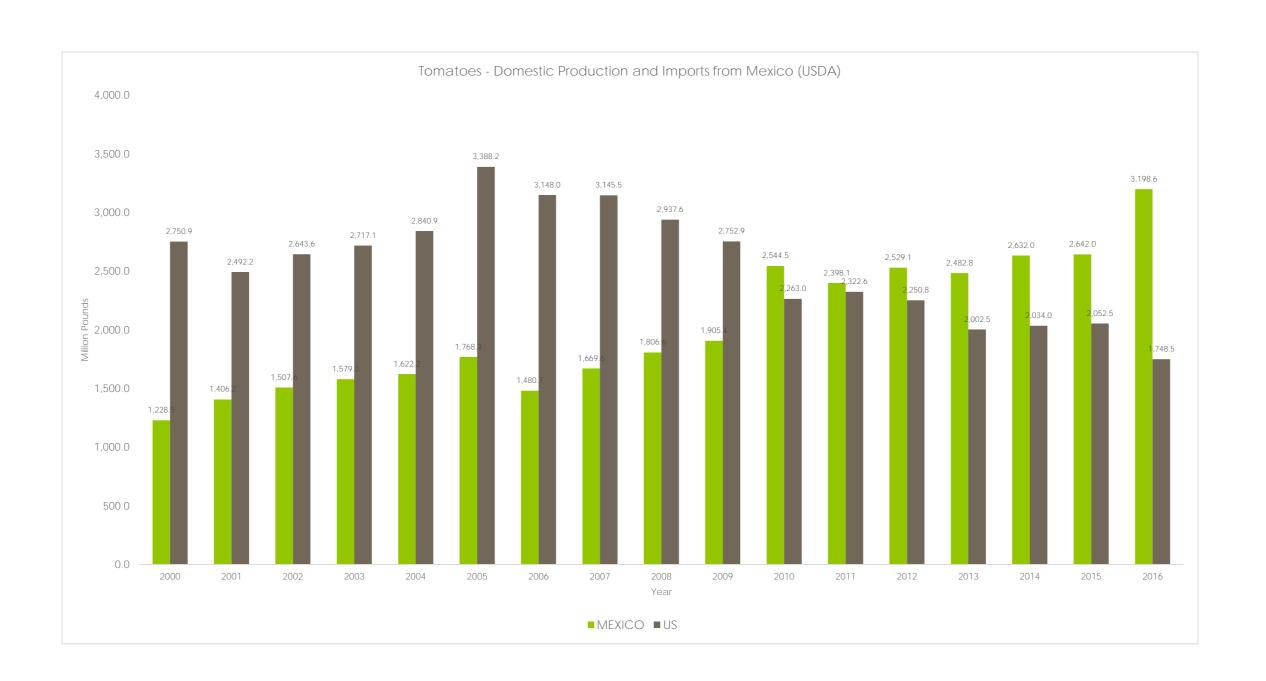


Data: Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

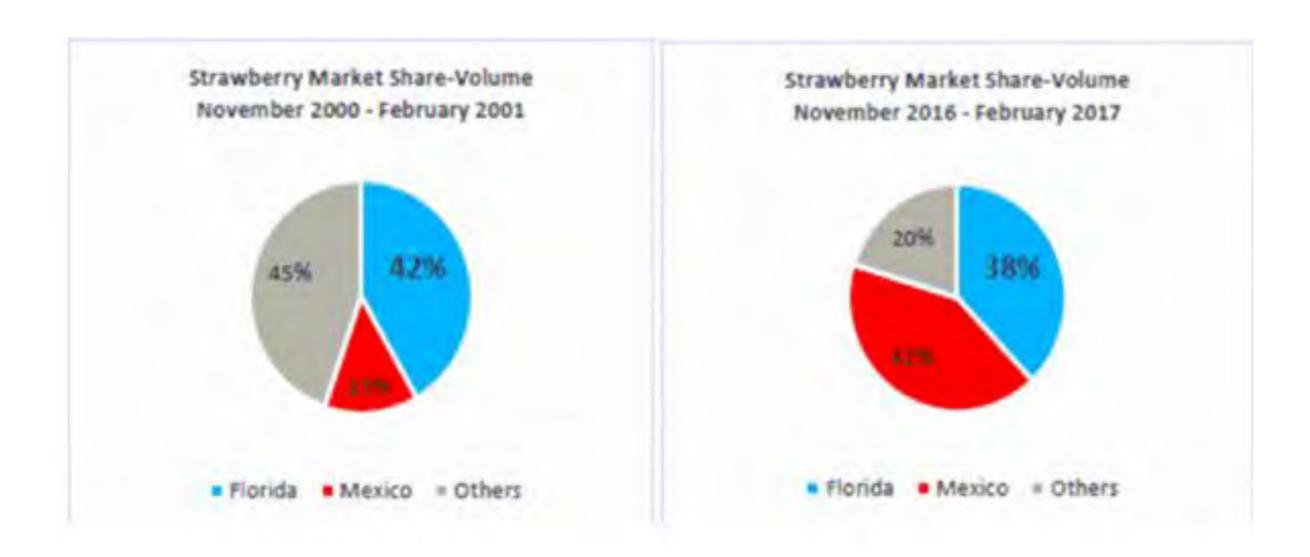
Florida Ag Losses to Mexico



• Tomatoes are a vivid example of Mexico's explosive growth in specialty crops. US imports of tomatoes from Mexico increased from 1.2 billion pounds in 2000 to 3.2 billion pounds in 2016, a 166% increase



 US imports of strawberries from Mexico have risen from 76.1 million pounds in 2000 to 216 million pounds in 2016 (a 184% increase). That expansion has compromised absolute growth and market share for domestic producers.



Data: Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.



ALICE ANCONA

Director, International Strategy & Policy Florida Chamber of Commerce



International Trade





Florida's Top Global Partners





Florida-Origin Exports and Market Share

Vermont: \$3.0 billion

Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford: \$3.1billion

Tampa-St Petersburg: \$5.7 Billion

Arkansas: \$5.7 billion Alabama: \$20.6 billion

North Carolina: \$29.9 billion South Carolina: \$31.3 billion

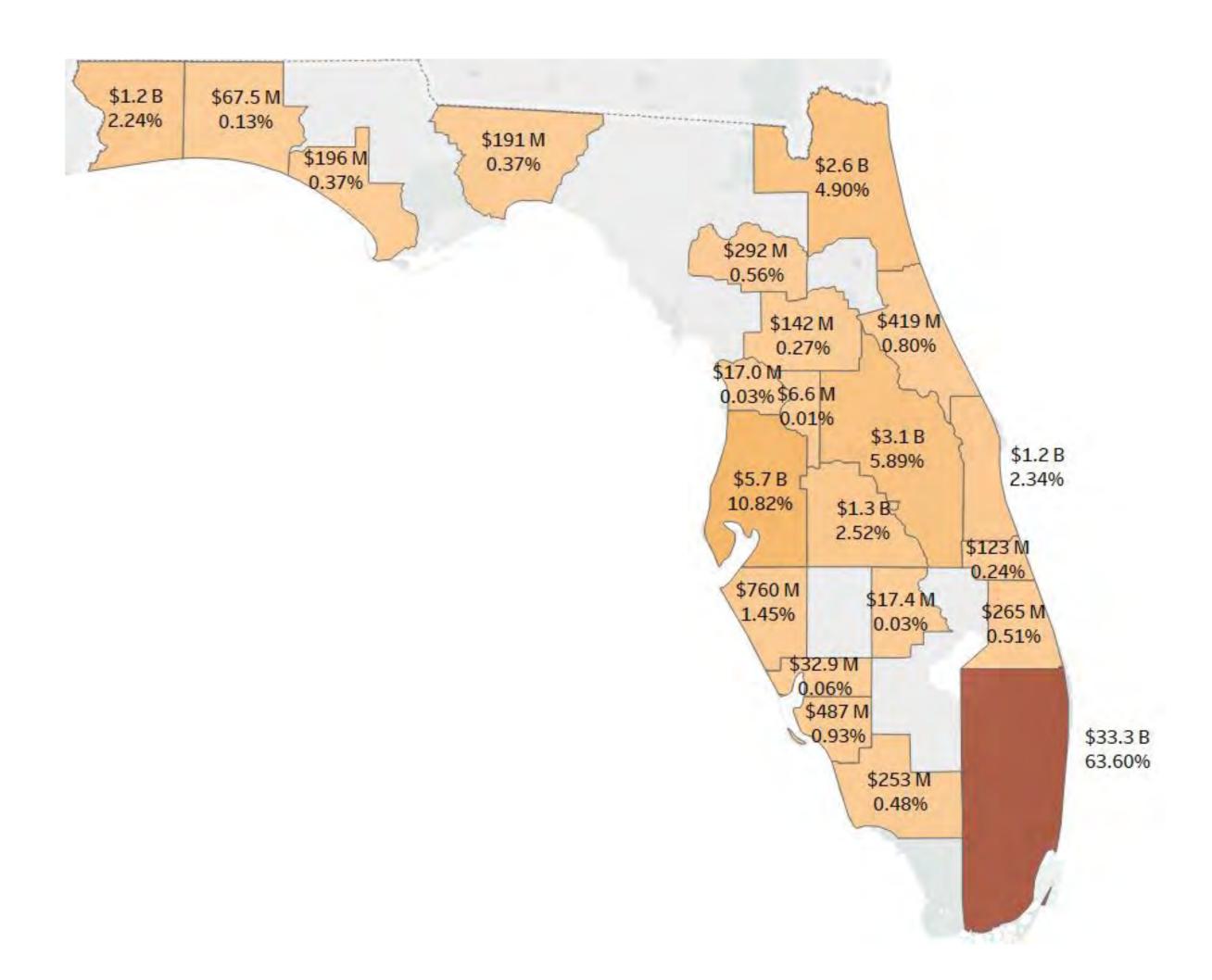
Tennessee: \$31.5 billion

Miami-FLL-WPB: \$33.3 billion

Georgia: \$35.7 billion



Florida-origin products reached over \$52 billion in 2016.







RON OLEYNIK

Partner Holland & Knight





Timing

- » Negotiating Rounds
 - Fourth Round ended October 15th.
 - Fifth Round to start November 17th in Mexico City.
 - Inter-sessional round (without ministers) in December (tentative)
 - Sixth and Seventh Rounds pushed into 2018.
- » Unclear why the Trump administration has agreed to let his "before the end of the year" deadline slip, but it appears that the White House wants to try to get tax reform done before NAFTA renegotiation is finished. Or may simply be that the White House feels it has momentum on the tax issue.

State of Play - Trump Administration / Business Community Response

- Talk of potential withdrawal continues to flow from the White House and Secretary of Commerce, Wilbur Ross.
- » U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer has been a bit less willing to resort to the withdrawal threat, but this may change if and when the next round of negotiations in Mexico City does not come up with U.S. victories.
- » Business community reaction has been pretty united, with non-ag groups working closely with ag groups to send the message that business community wants a modernized NAFTA not one which takes away fundamental protections from the original agreement.
- » From the Washington business lobby perspective, Trump administration consultation with business has been minimal, and USTR has not seemed concerned that it does not have business community support.

State of Play – Negotiating Positions

- » On the positive side, there are some strong chapters that could come out of this renegotiation. These include:
 - Digital commerce, Customs facilitation, and Sanitary/PhytoSanitary rules to make agricultural trade less subjective and more science based in terms of restrictions.
- On the negative side, a number of anti-trade proposals have been circulated by the Trump administration. These include:
 - sunset provision, non-binding Chapter 20 dispute resolution, opt-out provisions for Ch. 11 Investor State arbitrations, the proposed revisions to the procurement chapter, seasonal ag proposal for AD/CVD, and auto & textile rules of origin changes.
 - These are being referred to as 'poison pills' that will kill the chances of a successful agreement on NAFTA 2.0 –both from Mexico and Canada, and from U.S. business perspectives.

U.S. Congressional Angle

On Capitol Hill:

- » There is widespread support for NAFTA, and very little support for withdrawal.
- » U.S. Congress is not happy with the idea of a Presidential withdrawal with no consultation with Congress.
- » if Trump were to withdraw without Congressional consent, there are strong statements that Trump will have a political revolt on his hands, including within the Republican Party.
- » But all of this is moot for the moment, because all discussion of NAFTA is now secondary to tax reform.

External Factors

- » Mexico's positions are likely to become more rigid as the Mexican presidential election gets closer in 2018.
- The APEC meeting will be held starting this Saturday in Vietnam, and the so-called TPP11 (that is the Trans-Pacific Partnership without the U.S.) have been meeting on and off since President Trump announced that the U.S. was pulling out of the TPP trade negotiations.
- There is rumor that there will be an announcement of some sort (maybe an "agreement in principle" in lieu of negotiated text) that will be meant to put maximum pressure on the United States to figure out how it will manage it trade relations with Canada, Mexico, and the TPP members.

Ronald A. Oleynik



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SUSAN HARPER

Consul General of Canada







What's NEXT for NAFTA? An update

Susan Harper, Consul General Consulate General of Canada in Miami

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Canada-Florida



Canadian Presence in Florida



Floridian Investments in Canada



83 different Florida owned companies operate in Canada with 169 subsidiaries/locations

Where are we now?

- Do no harm
- Modernize





- Win-Win-Win
- Round 4 was difficult
- New rounds in 2018

NAFTA FACTS

NAFTA has brought economic growth and rising standards of living for people in all three countries



North America is the most extensive free trade zone in the world: close to five times the size of the European Union.



NAFTA allows free trade among more than 484 million residents.



Together, Canada, the U.S. & Mexico make up more than 28% of the global GDP.



The NAFTA region produces goods & services valued at more than \$20 trillion every year.



Trade between
Canada, the U.S. &
Mexico is estimated
at more than \$100
million per hour.



Trade with Mexico & Canada creates nearly 200,000 export-related jobs in the U.S. annually.

Canada – U.S.

We trade almost **USD \$700 billion** per year. With investment added, this rises to **USD \$1.4 trillion**.



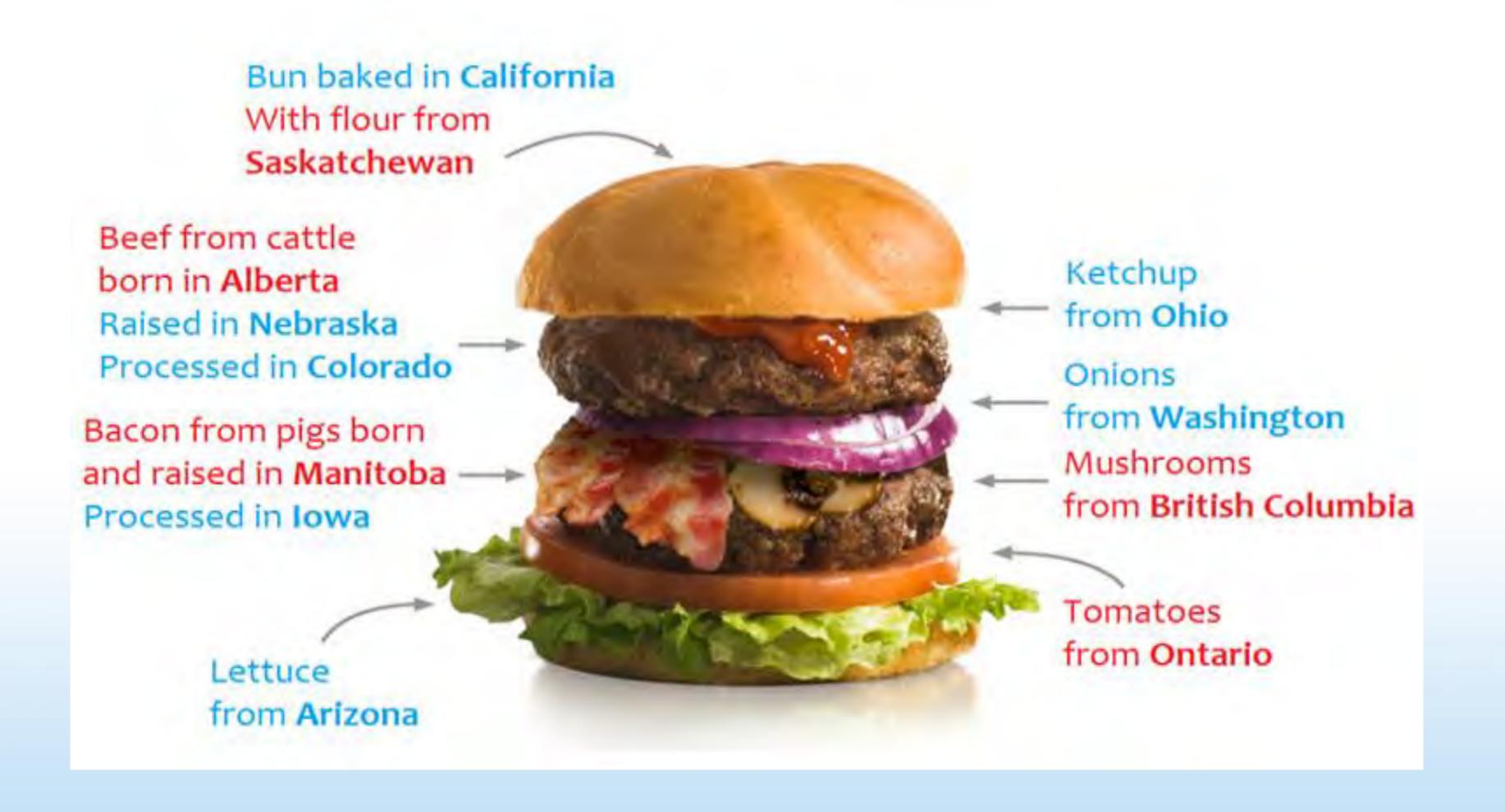






THE BENEFITS OF NAFTA **« 38.4% GDP GROWTH** since 199 since 1994 Canada imports from the U.S. increased by Canada exports to the U.S. increased by 37.04% GDP GROWTH since 1994 Generated in the U.S. since 1994 UNITED STATES U.S. imports from Mexico increased by U.S. exports to Mexico increased by "30.17% GDP GROWTH since 1994 >>> MEXICO 18.8M Jobs Generated in Mexico since 1994

NORTH AMERICAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (NAFTA)



Florida's Agricultural Importers — 2014

Country	Total
Canada	\$874,559,647
Dominican Republic	\$219,099,361
Mexico	\$215,873,609
Bahamas	\$201,816,215
Panama	\$160,928,674
Netherlands	\$146,368,305
Colombia	\$140,304,732
Trinidad & Tobago	\$134,511,488
Costa Rica	\$ 86,563,346
Jamaica	\$ 86,110,714
Guatemala	\$ 85,225,511
Source: Euromonitor International	·



Canada continues to be Florida's #1 destination for Agricultural products year after year

QUESTIONS?

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Upcoming Events

- December 11th, 2017- Trade and Logistics Institute Meeting-Port Canaveral
- December 12th, 2017- Florida Chamber Foundation's Transportation Summit-Port Canaveral
- January 9-11, 2018- Capitol Days, Global Florida Dinner & Economic Outlook Summit-Tallahassee
- January 16th, 2018- Global Florida Webinar "Global Trade Outlook for 2018"

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