



IT'S NOT JUST CROPS THAT GROW HERE. IT'S A **\$4 BILLION** **ECONOMY FUELED BY ENERGY**

From chile fields and pecan orchards to dairy and ranching operations, New Mexico agriculture relies on oil and natural gas every step of the way. Farmers use petroleum fuels to power tractors, irrigation pumps, harvest equipment, and the trucks that transport crops across the state — spending more than \$117 million on fuel and oil in a recent year. Natural gas is also the foundation of modern fertilizer, accounting for 70–90% of nitrogen fertilizer production costs. Without these essential energy inputs, the state's nearly \$4 billion agricultural economy would look very different.

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