SOUTH AFRICAN AGRO-PROCESSING SECTOR OVERVIEW

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Background

- South Africa is the world's 24th most populous country, with the number of young people expected to grow to 39 million in 2030.
- The unemployment rate for youth tends to be significantly higher than for the rest of the population.
- However, there are less youth participating in agriculture and agroprocessing, hence these sectors are expected to create 643 000 direct jobs and 326 000 indirect jobs in agriculture, agro-processing and related sectors by 2030.



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Overall Facts about Agro-processing

- Starting with the contribution to the economy in the form of the Gross Value Added (GVA), the Agriculture and Agro processing sectors made up 5.8% of all formal economic activities in 2018.
- Agriculture and Agro processing sectors contributes around R253 billion to the total South African economy's R4.5 trillion in value added.
- The agro processing sector, food manufacturing made up a significant share of 71% of the total value added, followed by beverages and tobacco.







Overall Facts about Agro-processing-2

- In terms of formal employment, primary agriculture employed around 974 thousand formal jobs, with Agro processing adding another 346 thousand direct jobs, the combined total share of these two sectors make up more than 8% of formal employment in South Africa.
- The country exported products valued at around R1.3 trillion in 2019 of which 5.4% were primary agricultural exports, whilst the contribution for agro processing was

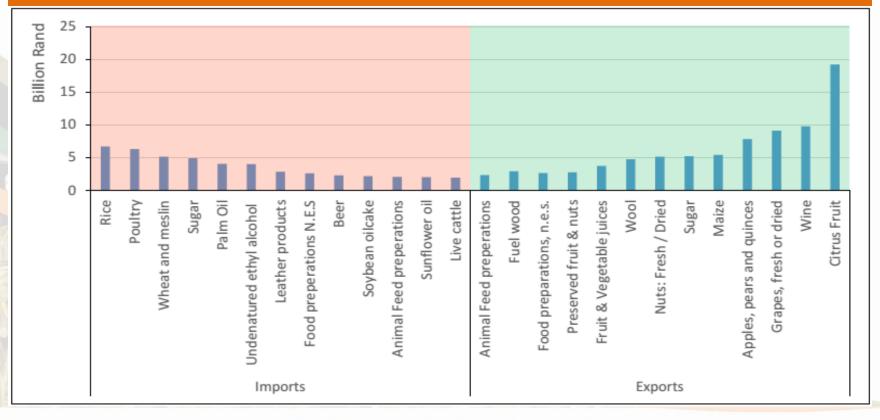
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Top Traded Agricultural Commodities







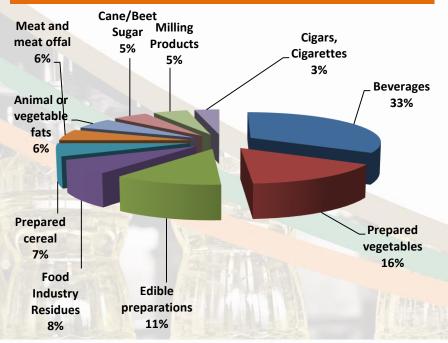
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Agro-processing Export Share

Exports in percentage







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2030

Agro-processing Employment

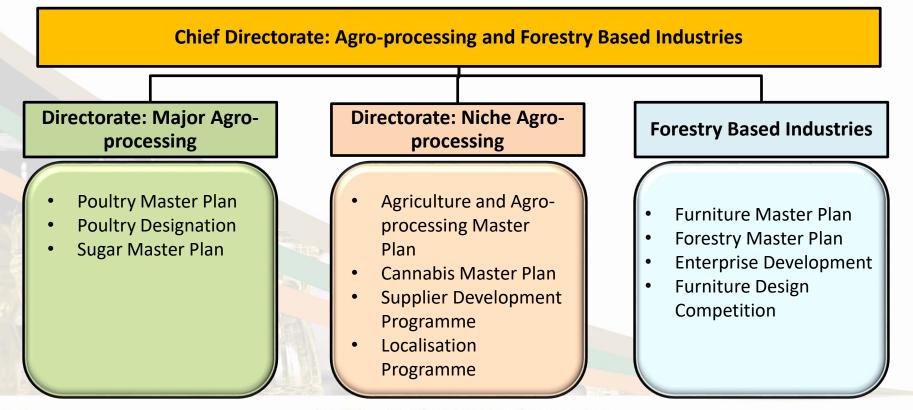
Formal Employment	Number of Jobs in 2019	Percentage Contribution (%)	Combined
Agriculture	861 022	5.2	8.55%
Agro processing	554 230	3.3	0.33%
Food	310 558	1.88	
Beverages & Tobacco	73 804	0.45	
Textiles	60 237	0.36	
Leather & leather products	7 525	0.05	
Wood & paper products	102 107	0.62	
Total employment (all sectors)	16 561 955	100	



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Structure of Agro-processing Sector Desk in the dtic





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Responsibilities of the agro-processing sector desk

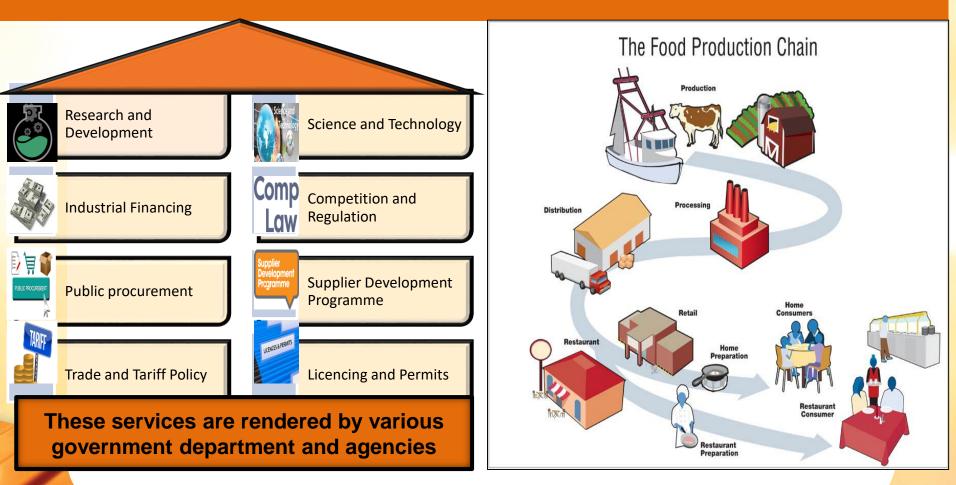
- To understand the agro-processing institutional support system, and actively align and build the capacity of key stakeholders across the various spheres of government.
- Support the mature agro-processing subsectors to higher growth paths through critical interventions along the value-chain
- Identify and facilitate investments by the private sector and the state in critical market-enabling agri-infra-structure that unlocks opportunities for agglomeration and rural development.
- Facilitate the development of high opportunity/ high growth niche sectors that have significant export potential
- Facilitate strategic mega-investments which are transformative to the sector, create jobs and unlock value-chain potential
- Develop high potential food processing suppliers on scale through facilitating upgrading programmes in partnership with the retailers and large agri-business players.



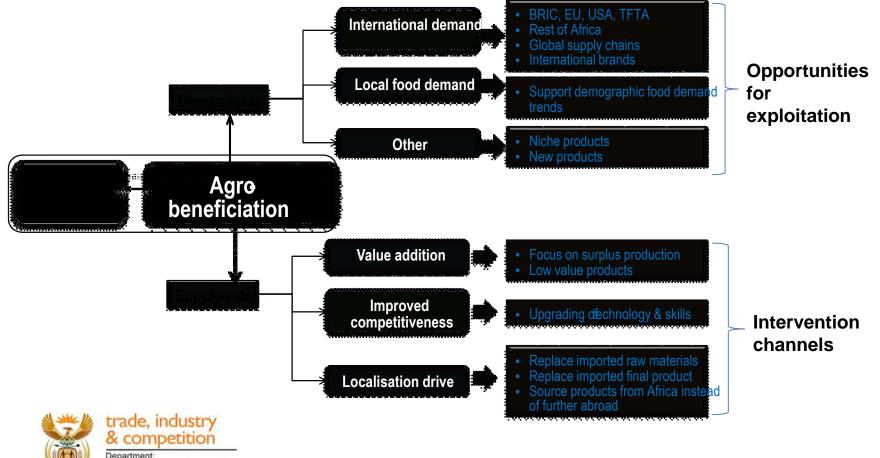
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Policy levers



Agro processing Growth and Opportunities



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Sector Opportunities and Constraints

Opportunities

- Import replacement (localisation)
- New product development
- Untapped Markets (Africa and Asia)
- Trade agreements
- Strategic partnerships

Constraints

- High utility prices and inconsistent supply (electricity, water) disrupting manufacturing and productivity
- Climate change
- COVID-19 pandemic
- Security of raw material supply
- Lack of continuous investments in plant, machinery and equipment
- Rising cheap imports of agro
 products



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Industry Associations in Agriculture and Agroprocessing Space

- Consumer Goods Council of South Africa;
- Red Meat Producers Organisation;
- Fresh Produce Exporters Forum;
- Fruit South Africa;
- South African Fruit and Vegetables Canners Association;
- Grain South Africa

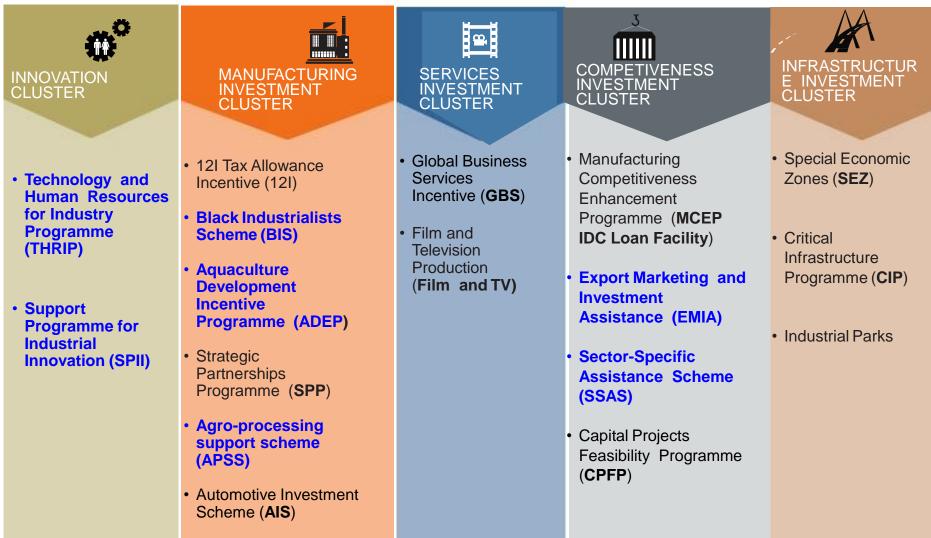
- Milk South Africa;
- Potato South Africa;
- Wines of South Africa;
- South African Poultry Association;
- South African Wine Information System
- South African Flower Growers Association;
- Association of Meat Importers and Exporters
- National Chamber of Milling
- South African Sugar Association



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SUPPORT MEASURES - SUMMARY OF INCENTIVES



Innovation Cluster

Incentive Programme	Purpose	Target / Eligibility Criteria	Incentive Offering
Support Programme For Industrial Innovation (SPII)	Promotes technology development in South Africa through the provision of financial assistance for the development of innovative, competitive products and/or processes	 South African registered legal entities. Registered higher education or further education institution in partnership with private sector. Licensed and/or registered science councils in partnership with private sector 	 Matching scheme that provides financial assistance in the form of a non-taxable grant for qualifying costs incurred in development activity associated with a specific project to a maximum of R5 million: 50% for large enterprises 50% and 75% depending on the black economic empowerment status (BEE and shareholding of women and people with disabilities at the time of application

Innovation Cluster

Incentive Programme	Purpose	Target / Eligibility Criteria	Incentive Offering
Technology and Human Resources for Industry Programme (THRIP)	 Is intended to leverage collaborative partnerships between government and industry (working with academia) for research and development in science, engineering and technology on a cost-sharing basis, to produce highly skilled human resources and technology solutions, for improved industry competitiveness. 	 South African registered legal entities. Registered higher education or further education institution in partnership with private sector. Licensed and/or registered science councils in partnership with private sector 	 A 50% to 90% cost- sharing grant to maximum R8m per annum for a period 3 years for approved project engaged in applied research and development in science, engineering and technology

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Black Industriali sts Scheme (BIS)	 Accelerate the quantitative and qualitative increase and participation of black industrialists in the national economy, selected manufacturing sectors and value chains; and Create multiple and diverse pathways and instruments for black industrialists to enter strategic and targeted manufacturing sectors and value chains. <u>Utilise</u> Black Industrialists for economic growth, economic transformation, employment creation and sustainability. 	 Characteristics of a black industrialist: High levels of ownership (>50%); Dominant black ownership and management control Takes personal risk in the business; Does business in the manufacturing sector with particular reference to IPAP focus areas Makes a long-term commitment to the business and is a medium- to long-term investor 	 A 30% to 50% cost sharing grant of up to R50 million. Offers support on a costsharing basis towards: Capital investment costs; Feasibility studies towards a bankable business plan (to the maximum of 3% of projected investment project cost); Post-investment support (to the maximum of R500 000); and Business development services (to the maximum of R2 million).

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Aquacultu re Developm ent and Enhancem ent Programm e (ADEP)	 To stimulate investment by commercially viable enterprises in the aquaculture sector (freshwater and marine farming): a) Fish hatcheries, fish farms and crocodile farms b) Production, processing and preserving of aquaculture fish c) New, upgrading or expanding projects 	 South African Registered Entities engaged in the following operations: Primary Hatchery facilities : Brood Stock, Seed Production, Juvenile (spat, fry, fingerling) Nursery facilities and operations Grow out facilities and operations Secondary Post-harvest handling, eviscerating, packing & quick freezing Filleting, portioning, packaging and trading Value adding: curing, brining & smoking Waste stream handling Ancillary Feed manufacturing, 	 Reimbursable cost- sharing grant of 30% - 50%, maximum of R20 million for qualifying costs: Machinery, equipment and tools Bulk infrastructure; Land (small enterprises) Buildings; Competitiveness improvement activities; Commercial vehicles and work boats. Mentorship (small enterprises) Score based on economic benefit criteria

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Agro- Processing Support Scheme (APSS)	To stimulate investment by SA agro- processing/beneficiation enterprises (agri-business)	South African Registered Entities in the following sub- sectors:	Reimbursable cost-sharing grant of 30% to 45% to a max of R20 million for qualifying costs
	 Investment to achieve some of the following: Increased Capacity Employment Creation Modernised Machinery & Equipment Competitiveness & productivity improvement Broadening Participation 	 Food & beverage value addition and processing (including Black winemakers) Furniture manufacturing Fibre processing Feed production; and Fertilizer production 	 Buildings New machinery, equipment, tools, technologies; Commercial vehicles Competitiveness Improvement Costs

Incentive Programme	Purpose	Incentive Offering	
Export Marketing Investment Assistance	Aims to support exporters to explore export markets	Individual Exhibition Participation	 Return airfare Subsistence allowance Transportation of samples Exhibition costs
<image/>		Primary Market Research & Foreign Direct Investment	 Return airfare Subsistence allowance Transportation of samples Patents Production of marketing material
		Individual Inward Missions	Return airfareSubsistence allowanceCar rental
		Group Missions & National Pavillions	Selected Trade Fairs & Exhibitions / Export Councils, Industry Associations & Provincial Trade Promotion Agencies
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Incentive Programme	Purpose	Target / Eligibility Criteria	Incentive Offering
 Sector Specific Assistance Scheme (SSAS) Components: Generic Funding (Administered by TISA) Project Funding (Administered by IFD) Project Funding for the Emerging Exporters (Administered by IFD) 	A reimbursable cost- sharing incentive scheme whereby financial support is granted to organisations supporting the development of industry sectors and those contributing to the growth of South African exports.	Organisations supported under include: Export Councils, Joint Action Groups, Industry Associations and those organisations that are involved in the development of emerging exporters. 	

APPLICATION PROCESS

Application:

- Applicant obtains incentive application form and guidelines from the dtic website (<u>www.thedtic.gov.za</u>) under Financial Assistance tab;
- Applicant may obtain further information telephonically, by e-mail or visit to the dtic offices.
- The guideline should be read before completing the application form.
- The Applicant e-mails the completed, signed application form with supporting documents to the dedicated email address;

Basic Evaluation:

- The application is allocated to a processor for assessing its completeness
- The applicant will receive an acknowledgement letter from the Programme Administration;
- The review of the documents is undertaken and should all documents be in place, the application is sent for further processing and prepared for adjudication;
- If the application has outstanding documents, then the applicant is contacted and provided with a timeframe within which to provide the outstanding information

Adjudication:

- Technical evaluation will be performed for the complete applications;
- Adjudication Committee convenes to assess the application Applications are approved, rejected or referred back for additional information.
- The decision of the Adjudication Committee is final.
- Letter confirming approval of the application and the claim form will be forwarded to the applicant within a specified timeframe.

Conclusion

- Agriculture and Agro-processing Masterplan will assist in fast tracking youth's access to resources and markets to promote their participation in agro-processing sector; this includes supporting procurement from businesses owned by young people.
- Promote investors that actively seek to integrate youth into decision-making processes.
- Support the establishment of youth producer groups that will have greater bargaining power in supply chains.







Thank you

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