

North Carolina's top agriculture and agri-food export markets:



## A Strong Partnership in Trade:

- Since the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) came into force, agriculture and agri-food trade has more than quadrupled, leading to significant changes in trade patterns and resulting in a more integrated North American marketplace.
- The U.S., and in particular North Carolina, has benefited from this strong relationship - with Canada purchasing over $\$ 21$ billion in agriculture and agri-food products from the U.S. in 2013, of which $\$ 242$ million came from North Carolina.
- The work of the Regulatory Cooperation Council and Beyond the Border initiatives is significant to our continued growth in agriculture and agri-food trade and to strengthening our industry competitiveness. For more information: www.actionplan.gc.ca/rcc
- Increased regulatory cooperation will reduce regulatory differences and duplicative actions that can hinder cross-border trade while ensuring a greater variety of safe, high-quality food products for consumers.

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