

2026 U.S. FOOD & BEVERAGE PROCESSING STATE OF THE INDUSTRY



PROCESSING MACHINERY SHIPMENT VALUE 2025



INDUSTRY MARKET SHARES

29.2%	MEAT & POULTRY	5.3%	ANIMAL FEEDS & PET FOOD
14%	PREPARED FOODS	4.8%	FISH & SEAFOOD
12.4%	DAIRY	4.5%	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
8.9%	BAKERY & CONFECTIONERY	3.7%	GRAINS & CEREALS
7.8%	FRUITS & VEGETABLES	2.3%	COOKING OILS
7.1%	NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES		

\$6.2 BILLION
TOTAL SHIPMENT VALUE

3.2%
MODEST GROWTH
OVER 2024



PROCESSING MACHINERY VALUE GROWTH FORECASTS 2024-2030

END-USER INDUSTRY SECTORS

	3.2% CAGR	4.1% CAGR	3.0% CAGR	2.5% CAGR	4.0% CAGR	3.4% CAGR	2.3% CAGR	0.5% CAGR	3.2% CAGR	2.8% CAGR	4.8% CAGR
2030	\$332 M	\$402 M	\$641 M	\$161 M	\$945 M	\$364 M	\$547 M	\$238 M	\$2.13 B	\$514 M	\$1.07 B
2024	\$275 M	\$316 M	\$537 M	\$139 M	\$748 M	\$297 M	\$478 M	\$231 M	\$1.76 B	\$435 M	\$809 M
	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	ANIMAL FEEDS & PET FOOD	BAKERY & CONFECTIONERY	COOKING OILS	DAIRY	FISH & SEAFOOD	FRUITS & VEGETABLES	GRAINS & CEREALS	MEAT & POULTRY	NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	PREPARED FOODS

EQUIPMENT TYPES

	2.8% CAGR	3.8% CAGR	4.0% CAGR	3.7% CAGR	3.1% CAGR	2.9% CAGR	3.7% CAGR	3.5% CAGR	3.0% CAGR
2030	\$621 M	\$706 M	\$763 M	\$457 M	\$1.24 B	\$990 M	\$1.19 B	\$619 M	\$757 M
2024	\$526 M	\$563 M	\$604 M	\$367 M	\$1.03 B	\$836 M	\$960 M	\$503 M	\$633 M
	DRY INGREDIENT	FORMING, SHAPING, & DECORATING	INSPECTION	LIQUID, PASTE, & SLURRY PROCESSING	MATERIAL HANDLING & CONVEYANCE	PRIMARY MEAT PROCESSING	SEPARATING, SORTING, & CUTTING	SPECIALIZED	THERMAL PROCESSING

MARKET TRENDS



HEALTH: CONSUMER PREFERENCES ARE SHIFTING TOWARD SIMPLIFIED INGREDIENTS, HIGHER PROTEIN DENSITY, AND PERCEIVED NUTRITIONAL QUALITY.



WORKFORCE: PERSISTENT LABOR SHORTAGES REMAIN A DEFINING STRUCTURAL CONSTRAINT ACROSS THE PROCESSING LANDSCAPE, PRIORITIZING AUTOMATION.



MACHINE DESIGN: WORKFORCE CONSTRAINTS AND INTEGRATION DEMANDS PRIORITIZE INTUITIVE CONTROLS, REDUCED MANUAL INTERVENTION, AND SYSTEMS REQUIRING LESS INTERNAL ENGINEERING OVERSIGHT.



SANITATION: RISING RECALL VISIBILITY, HIGHER SKU COMPLEXITY, AND FORMULATION CHANGES ARE ELEVATING THE IMPORTANCE OF HYGIENIC DESIGN, CLEANABILITY, AND REPEATABLE SANITATION WORKFLOWS.



AI & BIG DATA: AI ADOPTION REMAINS GRADUAL AND RISK-WEIGHTED, FOCUSING ON DATA MONITORING, INSPECTION ENHANCEMENT, AND DECISION SUPPORT RATHER THAN AUTONOMOUS CONTROL.



SUSTAINABILITY: WATER USE, ENERGY CONSUMPTION, AND WASTE MINIMIZATION ARE INFLUENCING EQUIPMENT UPGRADES, SANITATION PRACTICES, AND SYSTEM DESIGN DECISIONS.

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