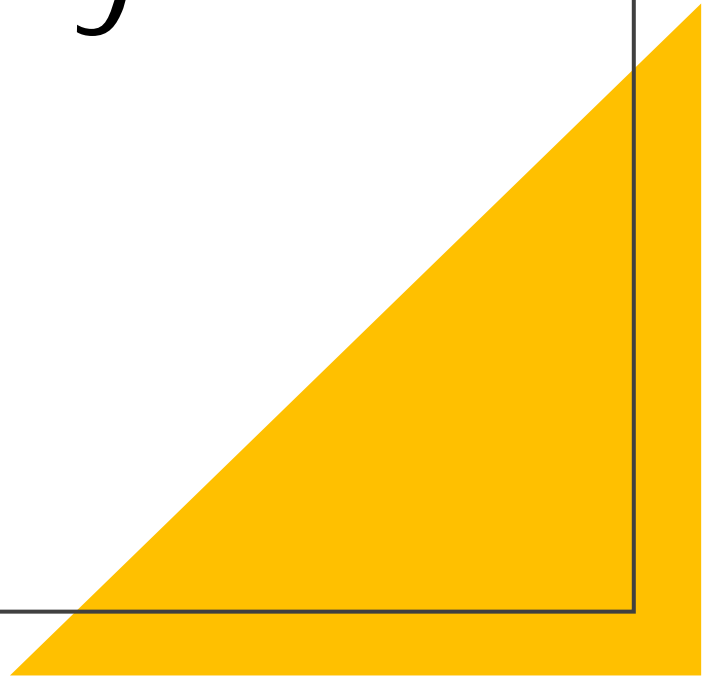


# A Data Snapshot of Food Processing and Safety in the Northeast

NECAFS Annual Meeting 2022



# Problem

---



Essential part of NECAFS work is based in an accurate understanding of what food processing looks like in the NE—who, where, how many, how much, etc.



Diverse questions and needs with no one clear answer

# How do we approach this challenge?

01

Top tier goal: Help justify NECAFS and partner food safety projects by demonstrating needs

02

Mid tier goal: Identify themes, trends, deficiencies and needs in NE food processing

03

Bottom tier goal: Create spread sheet of major food processing metrics for the NE region

# Resources and Metrics

By state

By product type

Profitability and business success

Inspectional data

Recalls

Worker data

State Level Food System Indicators  
Project

USDA

Ag Census

Economic Research Service

FDA Website

CDC Wonder

Bureau of Labor Statistics

## Some Numbers:

There are 14,782 processing facilities in the Northeast

17% of all food processing facilities in the US

352,761 employees

531 processing facilities in the NE have registered as qualified exempt

Represents 3.6% of NE processors



Food processing facilities in the NE by state, MN State Level Food System Indicators Project, 2017

Some data:

# Discussion and Questions

Is this project worthwhile?

What information matters to you?

Do you have recommendations for places to look for data?

Does this project benefit from visualizations?

Any questions?