

AGRO-PROCESSING INDUSTRY

Selected Facts & Figures

Size of the sector

- About 21 percent of Syria's GDP in 2007 is earned in the agricultural sector
- The agro-food industry produced 24.5 percent of national manufacturing net domestic production in 2007
- The agro-food industry made up 23 percent of agricultural exports in 2007
- Of Aleppo's 31,200 firms, some 3,600 or 11.5 percent of the total operate in agro-food processing
- about one third of Aleppo's agro-food processing firms are classified as industrial (i.e. relatively large) and two third as handicraft
- 40 percent of Aleppo's agro-food processing firms operate in primary processing
- Some agro-food processing production (like olive oil) have long traditions in Aleppo