U.S. Great Lakes Region Continues to be Beacon for Food & Beverage Industry

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Researched by Industrial Info Resources (Sugar Land, Texas)--The [Great Lakes region](http://www.industrialinfo.com/database/online_plant_directory/great_lakes.jsp?catID=810) shows much promise for continued growth in its [Food & Beverage Industry](http://www.industrialinfo.com/database/food_and_beverage/), showcasing 626 projects with a total investment value (TIV) of $6.95 billion. These projects range from $500,000 to $400 million in individual investment value. States in the region include Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.

Of these projects, 369 are in the planning phase with a TIV of $3.59 billion, and 65 projects are in the engineering phase with a TIV of $853 million.

Project plans with a construction start date of November or later show 453 projects, with a cumulative investment of $3.83 billion, while projects already in the construction phase total $2.41 billion from 115 projects.

Eighty-eight projects in the region have completion dates scheduled for 2016, with a TIV of $657.99 million, including a grassroot bulk sugar storage facility and a cheese plant expansion. By the end of 2017, another 313 projects worth $2.38 billion are slated to wrap up the construction phase; while project delays are likely, figures for 2018 forecast an additional 82 projects starting and completing construction that are valued at $884 million.

This market region has the highest number of projects in the states of Michigan, Indiana and Illinois, making up 57% of the regions' total capital expenditures.

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One of the largest projects in this region is a plan by Dairy Farmers of America (Kansas City, Missouri) to build a $400 million cheese- and whey-processing plant that will kick off in the fourth quarter of 2017 in Michigan. Other well-known companies that contribute to this region's growth are Cargill Incorporated (Wayzata, Minnesota), Unilever Bestfoods (NYSE:UN) (London, England) and Nestle Incorporated (Vevey, Switzerland). A few more examples of new facilities in the market region include:

* a $255 million grassroot pork processing plant in Michigan
* a $230 million grassroot cheese processing facility in Indiana
* an $180 million grassroot milk processing plant in Indiana
* a $150 million distillery warehouse additions in Kentucky

Industrial Info's database of active capital and maintenance expenditures in the global Food & Beverage Industry shows current expenditures of $81.94 billion and more than 6,200 active projects. The North American section, including the U.S., Canada and Mexico, comes out to more than 3,400 active projects that total more than $46 billion.

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