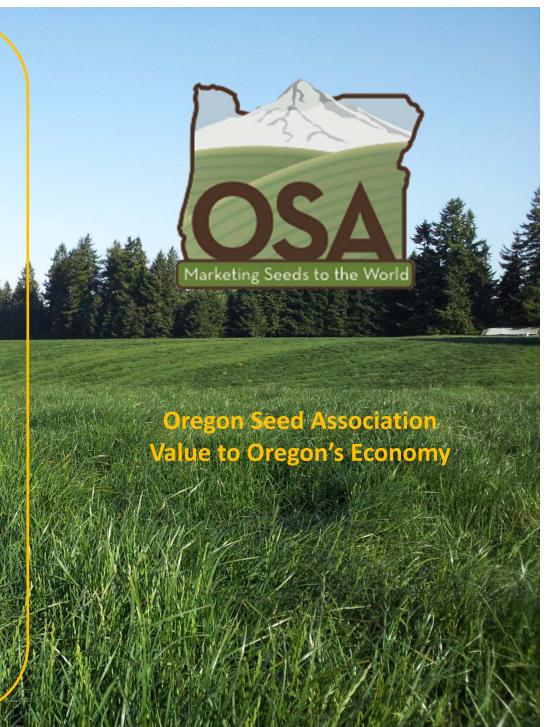
The Oregon Seed Association (OSA) is a non-profit agricultural trade association representing the interests of Oregon's world-renowned seed industry. Spurred by growing western populations and the demand from overseas markets, Oregon has developed a thriving seed industry over the last 90 years. In response, OSA was organized and has been involved in Oregon seed issues for more than 10 years. OSA members vary in size from small seed dealers to some of the largest in the world.

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## **Facts About Oregon's Seed Industry:**



Economic Value - The average annual farm gate value of Oregon's seed industry is \$341 million (over the last five years). This includes grass, clover and specialty seeds.

Unmatched Volume - Oregon is the largest producer of cool climate grass seed in the world--approximately 665 million pounds annually, worth approximately \$516 million in sales.

Global Reach - OSA members distribute Oregon grass seed to more than 70 countries on 6 continents.

Innovation - Oregon seed companies develop several hundred different seed varieties. These seed varieties carry important environmental characteristics, such as drought and shade tolerance, among numerous other advancements.



**Employment** - Oregon seed dealers directly employ roughly 1,000 workers annually, which translates to approximately \$27 million in annual wages. (This is complemented by the industries that support and sustain Oregon's seed industry.)

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