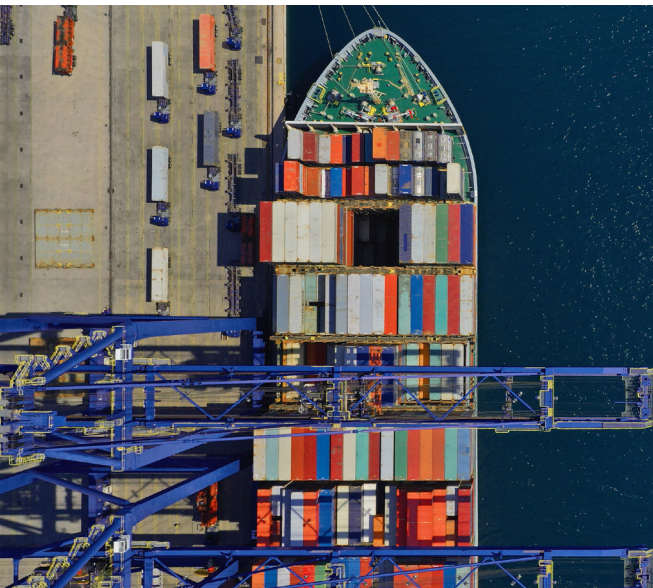


# Supply Chain Management

Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities



Saskatchewan boasts over 40% of Canada's cultivated farmland and is recognized globally

for its commitment to producing safe, high-quality agricultural products. Saskatchewan is a critical player in Canada's agricultural exports.

## Top Export Markets in 2023

**United States:** \$6.7 billion

**China:** \$4.3 billion

**Japan:** \$987 million

**Mexico:** \$917 million

**Algeria:** \$765 million

**India:** \$712 million

**Morocco:** \$493 million

**Italy:** \$455 million

**Indonesia:** \$424 million

**Turkey:** \$406 million

## Challenges

Agriculture relies heavily on stable global supply chains. Disruptions, especially for a landlocked province like Saskatchewan, pose significant risks. Interruptions in rail or port services can create a ripple effect that impacts rural municipalities, local farmers, and Canada's economy.

**ADDRESSING SUPPLY CHAIN DISRUPTIONS IS CRITICAL TO SASKATCHEWAN'S RURAL MUNICIPALITIES, AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS, AND INDUSTRIES ALIKE.**

Any interruption in rail or port services can cause major impacts to international trade agreements, economic stability, and Canada's export/import market. This, in turn, threatens Canada's economic stability.

## Key Production Figures for 2023

Commodity	% of Canada's Production
Lentils	91%
Chickpeas	87%
Flaxseed	82%
Durum Wheat	80%
Mustard	76%
Canola	53%
Dry Peas	49%
Non-Durum Wheat	44%
Oats	39%

## Saskatchewan's Contribution to Canada's Exports

Commodity	% of Canada's Exports
Chickpeas	91%
Lentils	88%
Flaxseed	84%
Durum Wheat	81%
Canary Seed	70%
Dry Peas	67%
Mustard	59%
Canola Seed	53%
Barley	52%
Oats	51%
Canola Oil	50%
Canola Meal	41%
Non-Durum Wheat	40%
Rye	29%

## Advocacy Asks

Addressing supply chain disruptions presents opportunities for:

**ENHANCED GLOBAL MARKET ACCESS:** Builds and maintains Saskatchewan's reputation as a reliable supplier.

**ECONOMIC GROWTH FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES:** Stabilizes local economies and attracts investments.

**INCREASED COMPETITIVENESS OF CANADIAN AGRICULTURE:** Reduces delays and enhances global pricing.

**STRENGTHENED DOMESTIC SUPPLY CHAINS:** Creates consistency and continuity.

**JOB CREATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT:** Boosts employment in urban and rural areas.

**REDUCED SUPPLY CHAIN COSTS FOR PRODUCERS:** Improves profit margins and supports generational opportunities for producers.

**IMPROVED FOOD SECURITY AND TRADE RELATIONSHIPS:** Strengthens trade and meets international demands.

**RISK MITIGATION FOR FUTURE DISRUPTIONS:** Creates a more resilient economy.

SARM calls on the federal government to designate railways and ports as essential services. This will enhance reliability for agricultural producers and industries, reinforcing Canada's commitment to feeding the world while stimulating economic growth.

# Thank you for your time!

SARM looks forward to working with the federal government on projects and initiatives positively impacting Saskatchewan's rural municipalities.