

The UK food & drink manufacturing sector employs more than **117,000** EU workers almost **1/3** of our workforce



The UK is Ireland's largest trading partner for food and drink. **41%** of its food & drink exports go to the UK (€4.4bn)



Food & drink contributes **£28.8bn** to the economy



Soft drink companies have reduced sugars & calories from their products by **18%** since 2012



With the support of industry, the UK Government has **set up the most ambitious sugars reduction programme anywhere in the world** to help lower sugar in the national diet

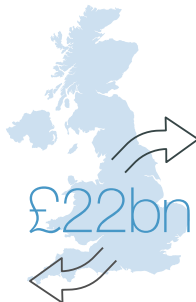


The food & drink industry is the biggest manufacturing sector in the country...

...larger than automotive & aerospace combined



In 2017, total food & drink export figures were worth more than **£22bn**

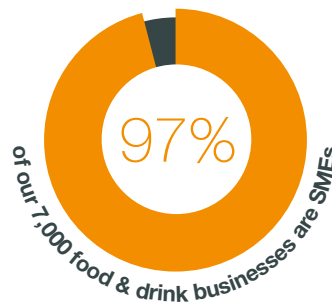


Our top three export markets are **Ireland, USA & France**

Grow exports of branded food and non-alcoholic drink by a third...



The food supply chain employs almost **4 million** people & generates over **£112 billion** of value for the economy each year



Our industry employs over **400,000** people



We will need **140,000** new recruits by 2024



to feed an expected population of **70m** people & meet market demands

Our industry has a turnover of **£97.3bn** accounting for **19%** of total UK manufacturing



**fdf** has pledged to triple apprenticeships within the food & drink industry by 2020

