

Overview of Delta State Agriculture

The state has four broad vegetation zones: derived savannah (17.37%), freshwater swamp forest (29.47%), lowland rainforest (22.45%), and mangrove forest (28.2%).

Agriculture forms the bulk on non-oil revenue in Delta State. From the rich, abundant alluvial deposit at the banks of River Niger in Oshimili, through the Ase-creek in Ndokwa, to the flood plains of Patani, Bomadi and Ughelli South; from the Mangrove forest in Burutu to the swamp and brackish water of Warri South; from the wetlands of Warri North through the vast rainforest and ascending to the fertile, flatland of derived savannah at Oza-Nogogo in Ika South, up to the highlands and valleys of Aniocha and Oshimili; Delta State is blessed with fertile land for commercial agriculture and livestock farming, and a versatile coast line of 163km that forms the backbone of our Blue Economy which supports artisanal fishing and Aquaculture. Crops like Oil Palm, Rice, Cassava, Plantain, Yam, Potatoes, Tomatoes and pepper thrives very well in Delta State.

Oil Palm Fresh Fruit Bunch



Tomatoes



Fresh Cassava Tuber



Paddy Rice



Tilapia



Heterotis



Muturu Cattle



Layers



Delta State Agricultural Potentials

S/No	Commodities /Varieties	Potentials	Yield (ton) per Ha (State /benchmark)	Locations	Opportunities	Agricultural Value Chain
	Cassava (TME-419, TMS-30572, TMS-30550, and OBA-2)	Cassava Production Disorganised farmers Poor markets Small scale farmers	12 – 15 (State) 36–39 (IITA)	Delta Oshimili South, Oshimili North, Aniocha North, Aniocha South, Ika South, Ika North-East, Ukwuani, Ndokwa East, and Ndokwa West. Delta Central: Ethiope East, Ethiope West, Ughelli North, Ughelli South, Okpe, Sapele, Udu, and Uvwie. Delta South: Isoko South, Isoko North,	Cassava starch plants, Ethanol plants, Agricultural logistics and warehousing, Renewable-energy- powered agro- industries. Solar-powered irrigation systems, Agro-industrial estate Develop Organised offtakers	High Quality Cassava Flour, Pharmaceutical starch, Sorbitol, Ethanol, Starch, Biogas Garri, Cassavita, Chips, pellets, grit

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				Patani, Bomadi, Burutu, Warri South-West, and Warri North		
	Rice (FARO 44, FARO 61, ECO 01, ECO 910, and ECO 930)	Moderate production of rice	2.5 State (Rice Farmers Association of Nigeria, All Farmers Association of Nigeria) 9 (National Rice Research Institute.)	Low lands (Swamps and Flood plain) and upland Delta North: Oshimili South (Oko), Oshimili North (Illah), Ndokwa East (Aboh, Osisai) Delta South: Isoko South (Avira), Warri North, Patani, Bomadi Delta Central: Ughelli North (Uwheru), Ughelli	Increase production Rice mills, Agro Industrial Park Agricultural logistics and warehousing,	Milled rice, Bran, Brikkette, husk,

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				South, Okpe (Aghalokpe)		
	Tomatoes (Cobra 26, Roma VF, Premium 150 and UC82)	Moderate production	17 – 20 (YAGEP farmers in DARDA) 35 – 40 (Afritropics)	Ika South, Ika North East, Isoko South and Isoko North.	Increase Production of tomatoes	Tomato paste and puree
	Oil palm (Tenera, PalmElit CIRAD, Supergene and Ghana Sumatra)	Oil Palm Production and small-scale processors	12-15 (AFAN, Oil Palm Growers Association of Nigeria) 12 – 26 (NIFOR)	Delta North: Ika North East, Ika South, Aniocha North, Aniocha South, Oshimili North, Oshimili South, Ndokwa West, and Ukwani. Delta Central: Ethiope West, Ethiope East, Okpe, Sapele,	Oil Palm nucleus estates Palm oil refineries, Agricultural logistics and warehousing, Oil palm estates and plantations, Oil palm industrial clusters.	Vegetable Oil (Palm Oil, Oleim, Sterin, Palm Kernel Oil), Palm Kernel Cake/meal, Glycerine, and kernel shell

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				Ughelli North and Ughelli South. Delta South: Isoko North, Isoko South and Warri North.		
	Aquaculture	Fish clusters Catfish production Small scaled hatchery and fish drying		Uvwie (Ekpan), Okpe (Jeddo, Egbukodo-Okpe), Oshimili South (Camp 74), and Warri South (Ifie Kporo)	Integrated fish cities, Hatchery hubs, Floating cage systems, Fish cold chain Cold chain logistics, Infrastructure. Catfish production, Tilapia farming,	Fish, Fish meal, Fish Oil, canned fish
	Artisanal			The Blue Economy LGAs	Deep sea capture Shrimp farming, Cage aquaculture,	Fish, Fish meal, Fish Oil, canned fish

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				Bomadi, Burutu, Warri North, Warri South, Warri South West, Oshimili South, Ndokwa East, Patani and Ughelli South.	Integrated fish-feed mills, Hatcheries, Fish processing zones.	
	Poultry	Broilers (4,102 farmers) and Layers (362 farmers) 308 million eggs and 107,399 MT chicken meat annually		State Wide	Feed mills, breeder farms and hatchery Chicken processing facilities with cold storages	Meat, egg powder, frozen chicken, organic fertiliser
	Cattle	Annual slaughter figures 122,999 cattle, 44,874 sheep/goats and 28,843 pigs		State wide	Ranching with feed lots. Blood and bone meal. Abattoir development.	Meat, horns, bone meal, hides and skins

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					Cold chain and storage. Logistics for meat	

Government Support Framework

- Land bank allocation,
- Fast-track permits,
- Tax incentives,
- PPP frameworks,
- Infrastructure support,
- Export facilitation systems,
- Security coordination.

