

# Buckeye Brief

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## CHIPPIN' IN...

One warehouse, two trucks, three employees, more accounts...

That's how much new growth 87-year-old Tiffin-based potato chip maker Ballreich Brothers credits to one purchaser—The Ohio State University. Twenty Ohio homegrown companies earned more than \$4.5 million stocking the university's pantries last fiscal year.

These transactions offer more than just food for thought. Even though our state produces a quarter of the nation's overall supply, in-state sources amount to less than one percent of the items in a typical Ohio grocery bag.

Buying locally.  
It's another way Ohio State helps alleviate the economic crunch.

**OHIO STATE BOUGHT \$422 MILLION IN GOODS AND SERVICES DURING FISCAL YEAR 2008 FROM OHIO COMPANIES AND SPENT MORE THAN \$300 MILLION WITH OHIO CONSTRUCTION-RELATED FIRMS FROM JULY 1, 2007, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008.**



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