

Institutional Investment in regional food economies

A point-in-time landscape of institutions (hospitals, universities, and local govts.) innovatively investing in their regional food infrastructure

This graphic highlights a small sample of institutions making transactional and relational investments in their regional food systems infrastructure. It uses two axes to illustrate the pace and impacts of these investment approaches: the quickness with which the institution sees a “return” on their investment (y-axis), and how directly the investment supports producers (x-axis). Projects in which institutions make non-financial or in-kind investments are outlined shapes while projects focused on financial investments are colored in. The size of each shape corresponds- roughly- to the scale of investment from the institution.

