

## Farm Animal Trivia

- The average cow weighs 1,200 pounds.
- One hen lays around 250 eggs in a year.
- Male pigs are called boars and female pigs are called sows.
- Sheep are sheared (given a haircut) once a year.



## Did You Know...?

### Each year in the United States...

- 50 billion hamburgers are **consumed**.
- 65 billion eggs are **produced**.
- a typical American **consumes** 18 pounds of bacon.
- 24 million pounds of wool is **produced** on sheep farms.



## Joke Time

1. What does a mixed-up hen lay?
2. Where do cows go for entertainment?



### Joke Answers:

1. Scrambled eggs
2. The movies



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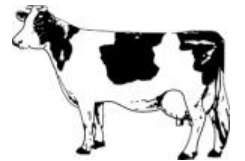


### Producers and Consumers

Farmers are **producers** because they grow crops and raise animals that provide people with food, clothing, and other products. **Consumers** are the people who eat the food, wear the clothing, and use the products that farms help to produce. Animals that are often raised on farms in the United States include cows, chickens, pigs, and sheep.

### Cows

Farmers raise cows for two main reasons. *Dairy cows* give us milk which can be used to make cheese, yogurt, and ice cream. *Beef cows* give us meat which can be used to make hamburgers and hot dogs.



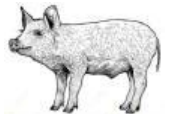
### Chickens

There are two different types of chickens raised by farmers. *Layer chickens* are raised for their eggs. *Broiler chickens* are raised for their meat which can be used to make chicken nuggets and patties.



### Pigs

Pigs are raised for their meat like beef cows. Pork, from pigs, can be used to make ham, bacon, and sausage.



### Sheep

Sheep are mainly raised by farmers for their wool. Sheep wool is used to make clothing, blankets, carpets, furniture and even baseballs!



*As you can see, many of the products we use every day were produced by farmers who raise cows, chickens, pigs, and sheep.*



# How Well Did You Read?



Place a ✓ under each product that can come from the farm animal.  
Use the text for information. One has been done for you.

	meat	milk	eggs	wool
Beef Cows	✓			
Chickens				
Pigs				
Sheep				
Dairy Cows				



Farmers who grow crops and raise animals are

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People who use products that come from farms are

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# From Farm to Table



You have learned about some of the **animals** that are raised on farms.  
Farmers also grow **crops** to **produce** food for people to **consume**.

1. Look at the sentences and pictures below.
2. Number them in the order that shows how fruits and vegetables get from the farm to your table.
3. The first one has been done for you.



Fruits and vegetables are displayed in the grocery stores or at farmers' markets.



Fruits and vegetables are ripe and ready to be picked at the farm.



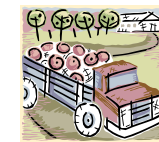
Your family can purchase delicious, fresh fruit and vegetables to take home.



The farmer makes sure plants are weeded and get enough water.



Seeds are planted in the ground.



The fruits and vegetables are taken by truck to be delivered to stores or farmers' markets.