



**CORN IT'S:  
LIVESTOCK FEED**



# LIVESTOCK AND CORN CONNECTION

Livestock is one of the top consumers of Iowa corn and dry distillers grain with solubles or DDGS (a corn co-product created during the ethanol production process). Needless to say, the Iowa corn and livestock industries thrive on the success of each other. This win-win relationship equates to the juicy bacon cheeseburger and ice-cold glass of milk that we enjoy every day.

According to the Iowa Ag Economic Contribution Study, livestock farming is a significant contributor to the agriculture economy. The statewide output of livestock production and processing was \$48.5 billion and resulted in more than 185,000 jobs — whoa!

## More Ethanol = More Livestock Feed

Most people don't realize that ethanol production creates DDGS, which serve as a premium source of feed for livestock. So producing corn-made ethanol gives us fuel and premium feed for livestock. Distiller grains are rich in the protein, fat, minerals and vitamins that animals need.

## IOWA LIVESTOCK CONSUMES 357 MILLION BUSHELS OF CORN EACH YEAR:

(A bushel of corn is about the size of a laundry basket)



**54%**  
SWINE: 192 MIL. BUSHELS

**28%**  
BEEF: 99 MIL. BUSHELS

**13%**  
POULTRY: 45 MIL. BUSHELS

**5%**  
DAIRY: 21 MIL. BUSHELS

**<1%**  
OTHER: 1 MIL. BUSHELS



## An Investment for Success

Since Iowa corn farmers depend on the success of the livestock industry, it only makes sense that the Iowa Corn Promotion Board invests to support our top customers. Iowa Corn provides financial and promotional support to livestock initiatives like the U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF), the Coalition to Support Iowa's Farmers (CSIF) and various livestock research projects through universities.

CSIF is a valuable partnership program that Iowa Corn supports to keep the livestock industry thriving in our state. They provide farm families with specialized assistance so they can make responsible changes to their livestock operations to stay economically viable. They help families navigate the rules and regulations, assess open feedlots, grow their livestock farms, site new livestock facilities, enhance relationships with neighbors and plant trees.

Iowa Corn is a proud supporter and partner of our fellow livestock organizations:



## Current Leading Livestock Export Markets:

The number one way Iowa Corn supports livestock is by building global demand for U.S. red meat on the world plate by investing in USMEF.



Beef export value equated to  
**\$477.58 per head**  
of fed cattle slaughtered

Pork export value equated to  
**\$61.26 per head**  
slaughtered

## About Iowa Corn

Comprised of the Iowa Corn Promotion Board and the Iowa Corn Growers Association, Iowa Corn works to unlock the potential of corn in a sustainable manner to meet the global need for food and energy. The mission of these organizations is to create opportunities for long-term Iowa corn grower profitability.

