



Farm Bureau®

COUNTY LEADER WEEK

Ag Facts from Food and Farm Facts*:

- **One US Farm feeds 166 people.** Of those 166 people, 106 are in the United States and 60 are international.
- **Farm and ranch families** make up less than 2% of the US Population.
- **US consumers spend** approximately 10% of their disposable income on their food.
- **The global population** is expected to increase by 2.2 billion by 2050, which means the world's farmers will have to grow about 70% more food than what is now produced.
- **America's most grown-commodity** is grain, at 965.2 billion pounds of Corn, Wheat, Oats, Rice, Barley, Rye, & Sorghum.
- **Women make up 36%** of American farm operators.
- **About 27% of farmers** are beginning farmers, and their average age of all farmers is 46 years old.
- **Today, 97 percent of all U.S. farms** are owned by individuals, family partnerships or family corporations. Just three percent of America's farms and ranches are owned by non-family corporations or other entities.
- **Only 15% of your food** dollar you spend goes back to the farm.
- **An acre is around the size** of a football field.
- **You can grow around 50,000 pounds** of strawberries on one acre.
- **The National Food Stamp Act** was passed in 1964.

Local Fill-in Questions!

- 1) _____ is the most-grown commodity in our state.
- 2) _____ is the most-grown commodity in our county.
- 3) We have about ____ number of farmers in our county.
- 4) Farmers steward ____ acres in our county to provide a sustainable food source for the population.
- 5) Have you been to the local farmers market in _____?
What was your experience there?
- 6.) Have you attended a Farm Bureau event? What was your experience there?

*2019 Food and Farm Facts Book and Map www.agfoundation.org/resources/food-and-farm-facts-2019

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