Fast Facts about Nebraska Agriculture

1. Cattle outnumber people in Nebraska more than three to one.

2. Pork is consumed by more people worldwide than any other meat.

3. One sheep will produce eight pounds of wool each year.

4. 2.8 million eggs are laid in Nebraska’s commercial laying facilities.

5. There are 23,000 corn farmers across the state, producing six times more corn than in the 1920’s.

6. Nebraska ranks first in the nation in Great Northern bean production.

7. Livestock and poultry in Nebraska use the meal from more than 24.5 million bushels of Nebraska soybeans.

8. Each year, Nebraska harvests between 55 and 70 million bushels of wheat.

9. Nebraska honey bee colonies produce more than 3.75 million pounds of honey annually.

10. Nebraska ranks first in popcorn production in the United States.

11. When fully grown, a sugar beet is about a foot long and weighs between two and five pounds.

12. About one third of Nebraska’s potatoes are processed into potato chips.

13. Proso millet has the highest water-use efficiency of all cereals.

14. One in four jobs in Nebraska is agriculture-related.

15. Nebraska ranks twenty sixth in total milk production.