



10 Ways *Agriculture* Works for All of Us

10 Americans spend 10% of their income on food - *which is less than any other country in the world* 
{Farmers and ranchers receive \$0.15 for every \$1 spent on food} both at home and away. **9**

8 Less than **2%** of the U.S. population is directly involved in production agriculture...and every farmer produces enough food and fiber for **165** people in the US and abroad


 *With the growing population, farmers will have to produce 70% more food by 2050* **7**

6 At current levels of production, one day's production of milk from a high producing dairy cow can make 10.5 lbs of cheese. 

 *The pounds of feed required to produce 100 lbs. of milk has decreased more than 40% in the last 40 years.* **5**

4 Corn yields (amount of corn harvested) per acre has increased 360% since 1950. 

{One acre = One football field and can produce 50,000 lbs of strawberries, 2,784 lbs of wheat, or 827 lbs of cotton} **3**

2 30% of farmers are women, and 20% qualify as beginning farmers...257,454 of those are millennials 

1 Agriculture is the nation's **LARGEST** employer with more than **21.4** million full and part time jobs in agriculture and food, which is **11%** of US workforce