

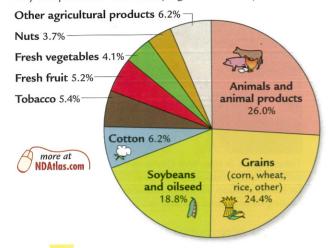
Since the turn of the twentieth century, the United States has moved toward fewer, but much larger, farms. The percentage of people directly engaged in farming has also dropped dramatically.



Most farms in the United States are commercial farms, like this chicken farm. Some poultry breeders raise more than a million birds at a time on their farms.

AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS

The United States is a leading exporter of corn, wheat, poultry, and other crops. However, agriculture accounts for only one percent of our country's gross domestic product.





Iowa and Illinois are the leading producers of corn and soybeans in the United States. Both crops are used to feed people and animals, and are also used to make many nonfood items.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

Livestock

Beef Beef

Dairy

Hogs

Poultry

Still a Nation of Farmers

Agribusiness is one of the most rapidly growing industries in the United States. It includes farms and businesses that produce, process, distribute, transport, and sell farm products. Nearly one out of every four workers in the United States is employed in agribusiness.

