



South Dakota has 19.8 million acres of cropland.



In South Dakota, there are 34 Tree City, USA communities.*



In 2018, the Thanksgiving Presidential turkeys, Peas and Carrots, were from Huron, South Dakota.



South Dakota ranks #3 in flaxseed production.



South Dakota's bee colonies produced 12 million pounds of honey in 2018.



In 2018, the South Dakota State Fair featured more than 20,000 4-H and FFA livestock, static, and educational entries.



In 2018, South Dakota dairy cows produced 2.7 billion pounds of milk.

The Agricultural Services division monitors the hive condition and health of South Dakota's 350,187 bee colonies.^

The Resource Conservation and Forestry division provided nine grants totaling \$13,100 in financial assistance to South Dakota communities. Grant funds are used to plant trees, provide tree care, and offer professional services.



The Agricultural Services division approves and administers dairy permits. As of July 2019, there were 171 Grade A dairies, 9 Grade B dairies, and 3 raw milk producers in South Dakota.



Reaching more than 300 students per year, the Wildland Fire division offers opportunities for learning about safe firefighting environments.



The Resource Conservation and Forestry division funds projects geared toward reducing soil erosion, promoting rangeland health, improving water quality, and enhancing wildlife habitat.

AGRICULTURE'S CONTRIBUTION

TO SOUTH DAKOTA'S ECONOMY

The agriculture industry is a major contributor to South Dakota's economy. These findings are from the 2019 South Dakota Agriculture Economic Contribution Study and the 2017 Census of Agriculture.



The agriculture industry contributes
32.5 billion
dollars to South Dakota's economy.

The agriculture industry provides

132,105

jobs in South Dakota.



There are
29,968
farms in South Dakota.



97%

of South Dakota's farms
are family owned.



United States Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service South Dakota Rank in U.S. Agriculture



U.S. Rank	Commodity and Date	Number	Unit	Percent of U.S. Total
	1 Bison, inventory, Census of Agriculture, 2017	30,035	head	16.3
	Sunflower, All, production, 2018	975,300,000	pounds	46.1
	Sunflower, Oil, production, 2018	887,550,000	pounds	46.8
	Sunflower, Non-oil, production, 2018	87,750,000	pounds	39.9
	2 Oats, production, 2018	7,790,000	bushels	13.9
	Flaxseed, production, 2018	45,000	bushels	1.0
	Hay, All, production, 2018	5,788,000	tons	4.7
	3 Millet, Proso, production, 2018	1,443,000	bushels	12.0
	Sorghum for Silage, production, 2018	500,000	tons	15.0
	Safflower, production, 2018	19,140,000	pounds	8.1
	4 Calf Crop, January - December, 2018	1,900,000	head	5.2
	Hay, Alfalfa, production, 2018	3,763,000	tons	7.1
	Honey, production, 2018	11,985,000	pounds	7.9
	Sorghum for Grain, production, 2018	16,000,000	bushels	4.4
	5 Beef Cows, All, inventory, January 1, 2019	1,818,000	head	5.7
	Lamb Crop, inventory, 2018	200,000	head	6.2
	Land in Farms, 2018	43,200,000	acres	4.8
	Peas, Dry Edible, production, 2018	399,000	cwt	2.5
	Sheep and Lambs, Market, inventory, January 1, 2019	61,000	head	4.3
	Wheat, Spring, production, 2018	40,530,000	bushels	6.5
	6 Corn for Grain, production, 2018	777,600,000	bushels	5.4
	Sheep and Lambs, All, inventory, January 1, 2019	255,000	head	4.9
	Wheat, Durum, production, 2018	84,000	bushels	0.1
	Wool, production, 2018	1,750,000	pounds	7.2
	7 Cattle and Calves, All, inventory, January 1, 2019	4,050,000	head	4.3
	Cattle on Feed, inventory, January 1, 2019	425,000	head	3.0
	Grain Storage Capacity, On Farm, December 1, 2018	730,000,000	bushels	5.4
	Principal Crops Harvested, 2018	16,595,000	acres	5.5
	Wheat, All, production, 2018	72,294,000	bushels	3.8
	8 Corn for Silage, production, 2018	5,940,000	tons	4.9
	Cropland, total, acres, Census of Agriculture, 2017	19,813,517	acres	5.0
	Pig Crop, December 2017 - November 2018	5,360,000	head	4.0
	Principal Crops Planted, 2018	17,300,000	acres	5.4
	Soybeans, production, 2018	256,680,000	bushels	5.6
10	Grain Storage Capacity, Off Farm, December 1, 2018	425,000,000	bushels	3.7

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