





## **Animal Science Industry**

Trends and Challenges





# What do you know about the animal science industry?

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- 3. True or False: Minnesota produces the most beef in the U.S., while Texas produces the most pork.
- True or False: Colorado is ranked 10<sup>th</sup> in the number of cattle and calves but only 24<sup>th</sup> in the number of chickens.
- 5. True or False: In Colorado, the hogs and pigs inventory has risen since 1988.

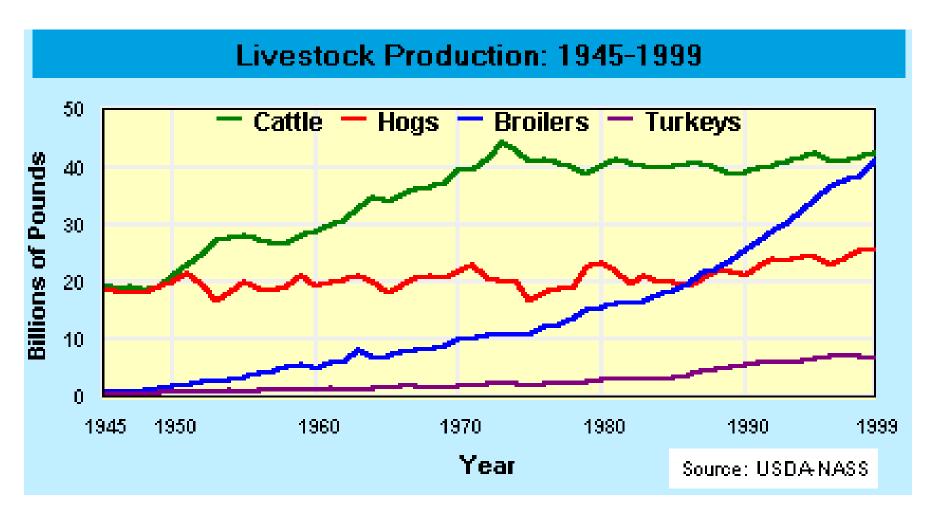
Do your best to answer these questions!

### **Animal Agriculture in the World**

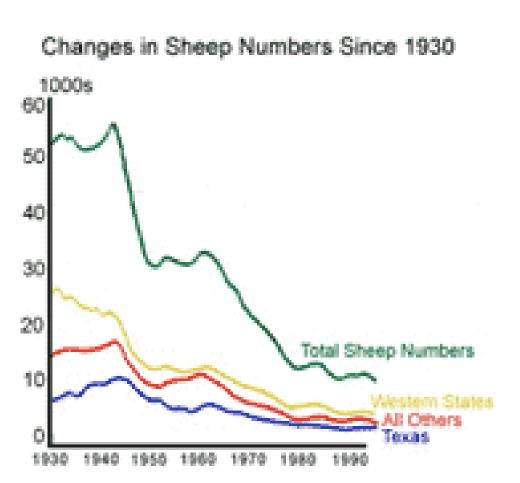
#### **Leading Livestock Producing Countries**

Beef and Veal	Mutton and Lamb	Swine
<ol> <li>United States</li> <li>Brazil</li> <li>China</li> </ol>	1. China 2. Australia 3. India	<ol> <li>China</li> <li>United States</li> <li>Brazil</li> </ol>
Horses	Chickens	
1. China 2. Brazil 3. Mexico	<ol> <li>China</li> <li>United States</li> <li>Indonesia</li> </ol>	

### **U.S. Animal Production Trends**

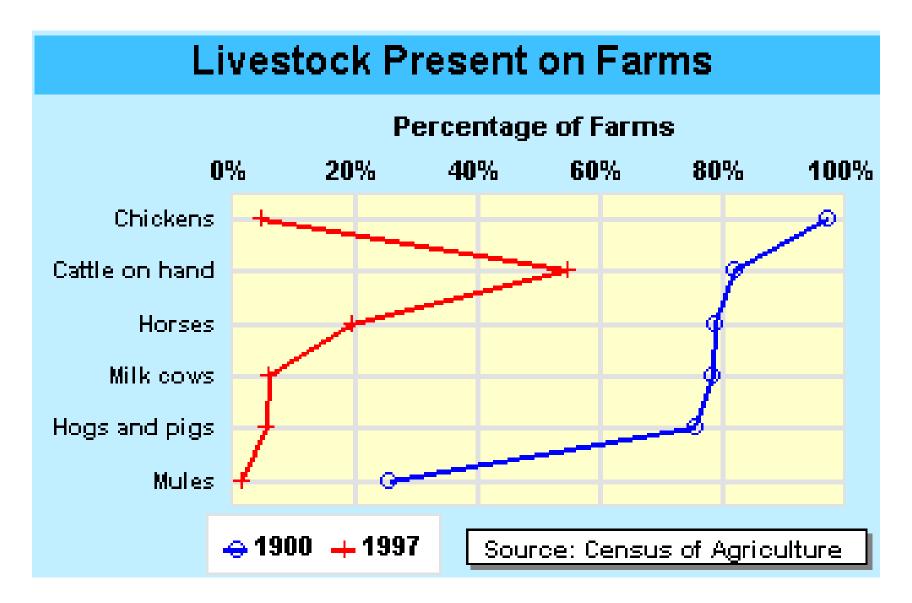


### **U.S. Animal Production Trends**



### **The American Market Basket**

- Chickens, horses, milk cows and hogs were present on the majority of farms a century ago. Today, a comparatively small proportion of farms maintain these animals.
- Early in the century, home-grown fruits, vegetables, oats and wheat were considered staples. Later, families increasingly purchased and stocked their shelves with canned, frozen, and instant food products. This trend reversed itself slightly as health-conscious consumers began to include more fresh food in their diets. However, most of what is consumed today continues to move from the farm gate to the processor, and then to the grocery store.
- The country's population, as a whole, became wealthier and increased its demand for food products over most of the last century. Late in the century, however, the country reached a point of economic comfort where increases in income no longer raised domestic demand for food products.
- As a result, U.S. farmers and ranchers began to rely more heavily on export markets to sell their excess production and have truly become food producers to the world.



## Animal Agriculture in the United States

#### Leading States in Production - All Species

#### Number of Beef Cattle

#### 1. Texas

- 2. Missouri
- Oklahoma

#### Number of Cattle on Feed

- 1. Texas
- 2. Kansas
- 3. Nebraska

#### Number of Market Sheep

- 1. California
- 2. Colorado
- 3. Texas

#### **Total Number of Swine**

- 1. Iowa
- North Carolina
- Minnesota

#### **Total Milk Production**

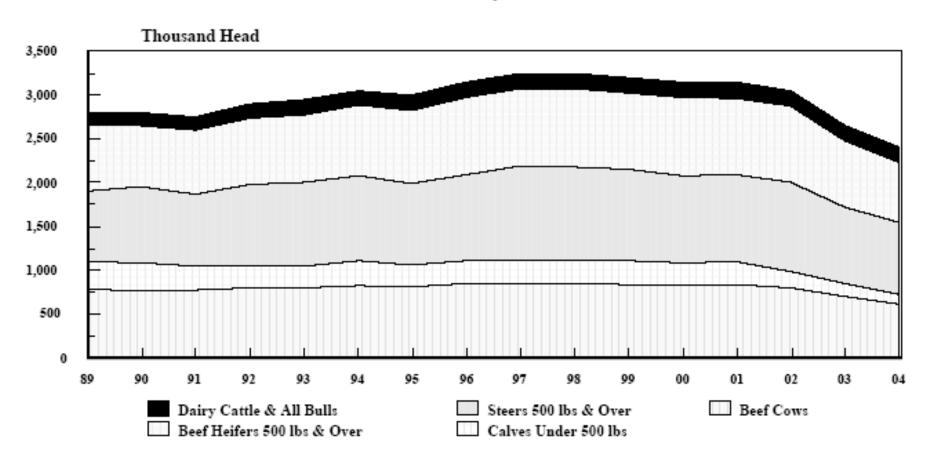
- 1. California
- 2. Wisconsin
- 3. New York

### Where does Colorado rank?

- Ranks 10<sup>th</sup> in the number of all cattle and calves
  - 4<sup>th</sup> largest cattle feeder
- Ranks 5<sup>th</sup> in the number of all sheep and lambs
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> in the market sheep and lambs
- Ranks 15<sup>th</sup> in the number of all hogs and pigs
- Ranks 24<sup>th</sup> in the number of all chickens

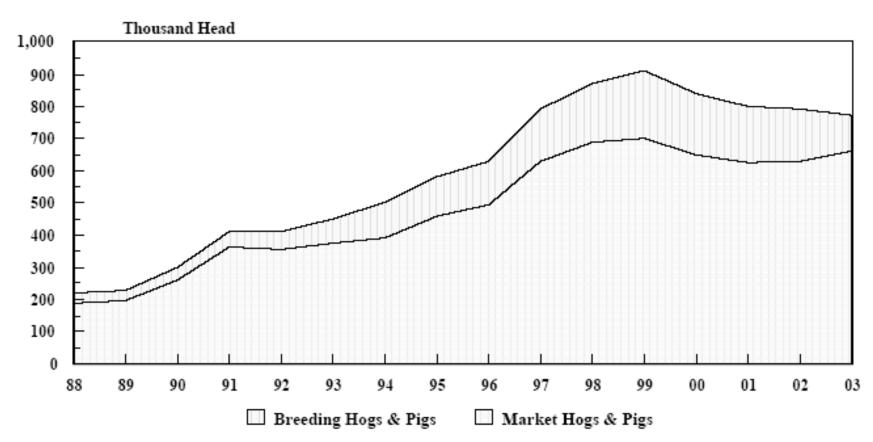
## What current events might have influenced these figures?

Cattle and Calf Inventory Colorado, January 1, 1989-2004



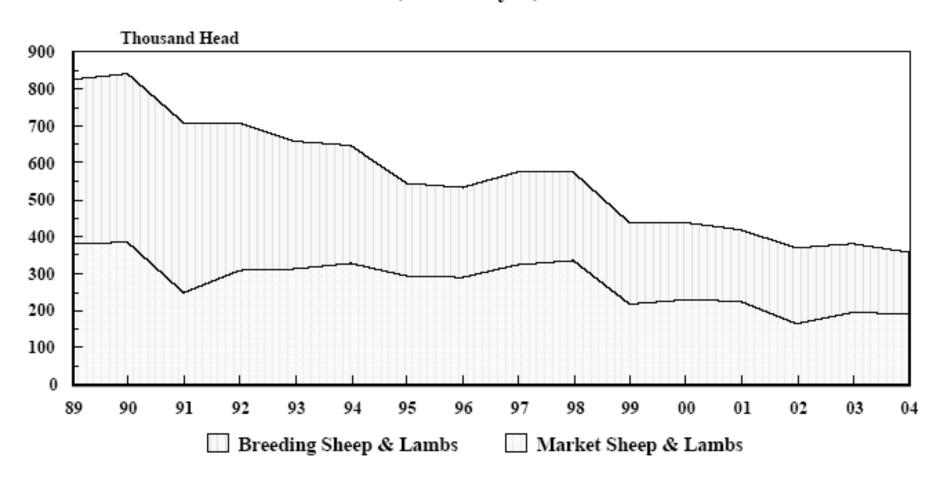
## Does legislation ever effect animal inventories?

Hog and Pig Inventory Colorado, December 1, 1988-2003



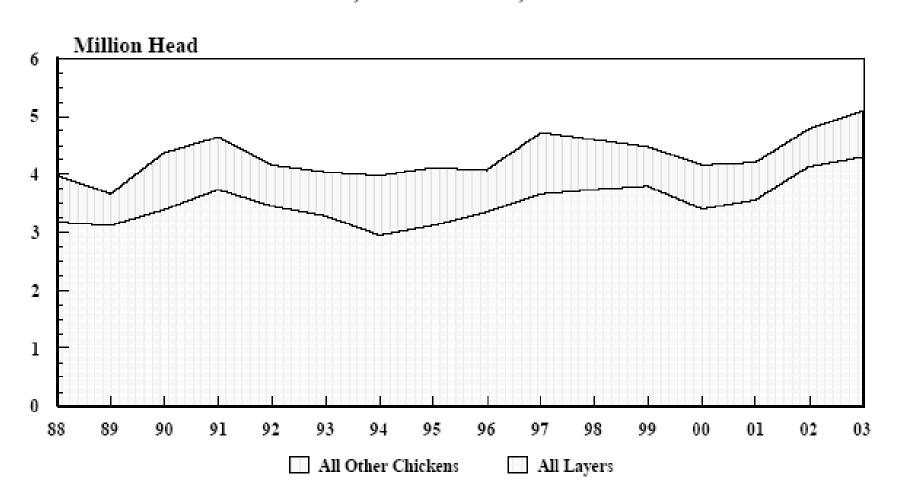
## Does consumer appeal effect the inventory?

Sheep and Lamb Inventory Colorado, January 1, 1989-2004



## What other factors might influence inventories?

All Chickens Inventory Colorado, December 1, 1988-2003



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