

Soybean Meal *FAST FACTS*



Animal agriculture is the soybean industry's number one domestic customer.

- √ Nationally, the livestock industry consumes 2.3 million tons of soybean meal annually. That's the equivalent of 98 million bushels of soybeans.
- √ Michigan is about the 12th largest soybean producing state.
- √ Michigan livestock and poultry producers purchase 425,000 tons of locally grown soybean meal to feed their dairy cows, beef cattle, chickens, turkeys, and hogs each year.
- √ Animal agriculture provides 30,000 jobs statewide and generates \$190 million in tax revenue in Michigan.

Pork Industry:

- √ Michigan pork consumes 150,000 tons of soybean meal a year—over 35% of the soybean meal fed in Michigan.
- √ Michigan markets around 2 million hogs/pigs per year.
- √ A hog consumes about 183 pounds of soybean meal in its lifetime.
- √ Top 3 counties for hog production are Allegan, Cass, and Ottawa.



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Turkey Industry:



- √ Michigan produces 5 million turkeys which consume over 11% of Michigan's soybean meal use.

- √ Turkeys consume 25 pounds of soybean meal during a grow-out period of 20 weeks.



Chicken Industry:

- √ Michigan produces 10 million layers, consuming about 17 pounds of soybean meal each - amounting to over 13% of Michigan's soybean meal use.

- √ Broiler chickens consume 2.7 pounds of soybean meal in a 42 day grow-out period and Michigan raises 4 million broilers per year.

- √ The top 3 counties for poultry production are Ottawa, Allegan, and Ionia.

Dairy Industry:



- √ There are about 320,000 cows producing milk in Michigan.

- √ Dairy cows consume about 27% of Michigan's soybean meal used.

- √ Top 3 counties for dairy production are Huron, Clinton, and Allegan.

Beef Cattle Industry:

- √ 1,030,000 head of cattle are in Michigan amounting to 8% of the soybean meal consumption in the state.

- √ The top 3 counties for cattle in Michigan are Huron, Sanilac, and Allegan.

