

Economic Analysis of Animal Agriculture 2004-2014

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Pennsylvania Executive Summary

The use of soybean meal as a key feed ingredient is an important part of Pennsylvania's animal agriculture. While the degree to which animal agriculture utilizes this versatile feed ingredient has fluctuated with time, it remains a key driver of animal agriculture's success in Pennsylvania. The success of Pennsylvania animal agriculture in turn has a large impact on the rest of the state and regional economies. For example, in the state of Pennsylvania during 2014 animal agriculture contributed:

- \$11.2 billion in economic output
- 75,408 jobs
- \$2.0 billion in earnings
- \$474.9 million in income taxes paid at local, state, and federal levels
- \$229.9 million in the form of property taxes

Plus, from 2004-2014 animal agriculture in Pennsylvania increased economic output by over \$2.8 billion, boosted household earnings by \$508.7 million, contributed 18,385 additional jobs and paid \$119.0 million in additional tax revenues.

Pennsylvania's animal agriculture consumed about 742.5 thousand tons of soybean meal in 2014. This soybean meal was fed primarily to:

- Broilers (209.5 thousand tons)
- Dairy Cows (169.0 thousand tons)
- Egg-Laying Hens (153.8 thousand tons)

This report examines animal agriculture in Pennsylvania over the last decade. While this analysis is certainly instructive and allows improved understanding of animal agriculture's impact during that time, as the next decade unfolds in Pennsylvania, many opportunities and challenges will arise. And, if past is prologue, animal agriculture will continue to be a major contributor to the economic well-being of the people of Pennsylvania and beyond.

Pennsylvania Economic Impact of Animal Agriculture

Animal agriculture is an integral part of Pennsylvania's economy. In 2014, Pennsylvania's animal agriculture contributed the following to the economy:

- About \$11.2 billion in economic output
- \$2.0 billion in household earnings
- 75,408 jobs
- \$474.9 million in income taxes

And the animal agriculture sector has shown substantial growth during challenging economic times. During the last decade Pennsylvania's animal agriculture has:

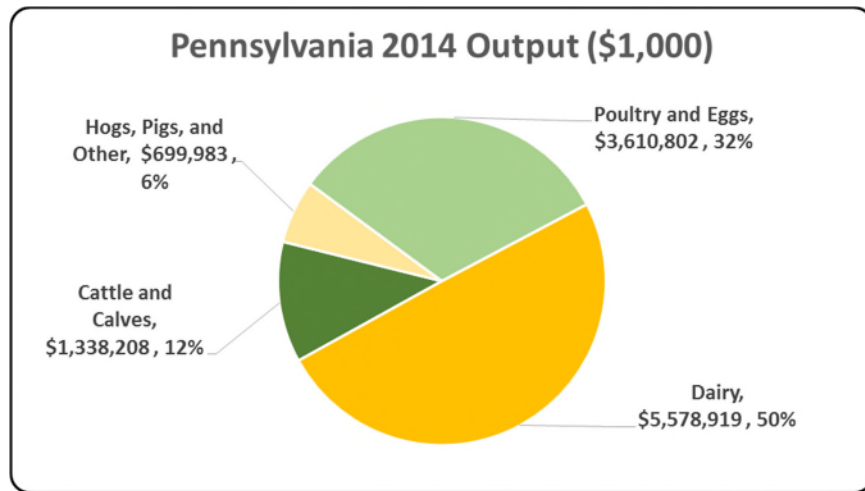
- Increased economic output by \$2.8 billion
- Boosted household earnings by \$508.7 million
- Added 18,385 jobs
- Paid an additional \$119.0 million in income taxes

Below is a table which demonstrates this decade of change.

Measure	2014	Change 2004-2014	% Change 2004-2014
Output (\$1,000)	\$ 11,227,912	\$ 2,828,344	33.67%
Earnings (\$1,000)	\$ 2,029,274	\$ 508,668	33.45%
Employment (Jobs)	75,408	18,385	32.24%
Income Taxes Paid (\$1,000)	\$ 474,850	\$ 119,028	33.45%
Property Taxes Paid in 2012 (\$1,000)	\$ 229,885		

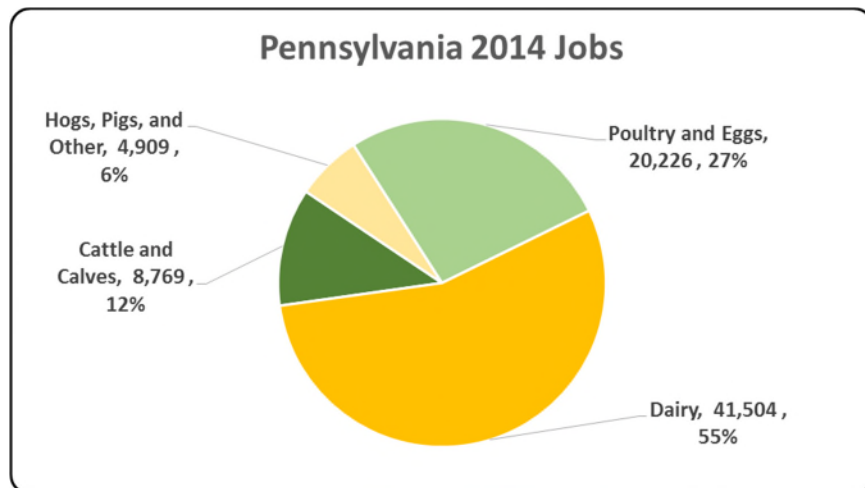
Pennsylvania Output

“Output” refers to the total value of all the output (production or sales) of a study area and/or industry within a study area and was calculated using RIMS II multipliers. This is a gross number that does not make any deductions for the cost or origination of inputs that were used in the production process. The chart illustrates the impact of animal agriculture to the Pennsylvania economy. Animal agriculture’s impact on Pennsylvania total economic output is about \$11.2 billion.



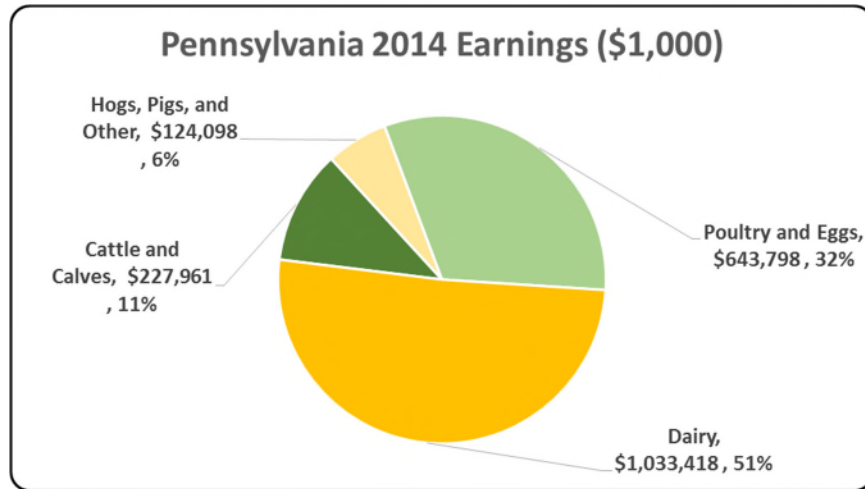
Pennsylvania Jobs

“Jobs” represents an estimate of the number of full or part-time positions (jobs) currently filled in an area and/or industry. The chart illustrates the contribution to Pennsylvania in terms of animal agriculture jobs. As shown, animal agriculture contributes significantly to Pennsylvania total jobs, contributing 75,408 jobs within and outside of animal agriculture.



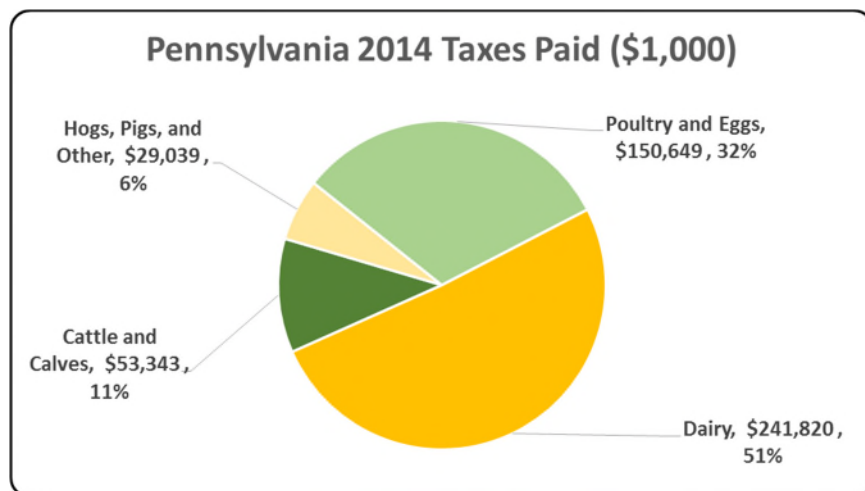
Pennsylvania Earnings

Earnings includes wages and salaries plus proprietors' income, which is the net earnings of sole-proprietors and partnerships. The chart illustrates the impact of animal agriculture to the Pennsylvania economy in terms of earnings. Pennsylvania's animal agriculture contributed about \$2.0 billion to household earnings in 2014.



Pennsylvania Taxes Paid by Animal Agriculture

Pennsylvania's animal agriculture is also a significant source of tax revenue. In 2014, the state's animal agriculture industry paid about \$474.9 million in income taxes at local, state, and federal levels. Plus the 2012 Census of Agriculture estimated \$229.9 million in property taxes paid by all of Pennsylvania agriculture during 2012. Estimates of income taxes paid by animal agriculture are shown in the following chart.



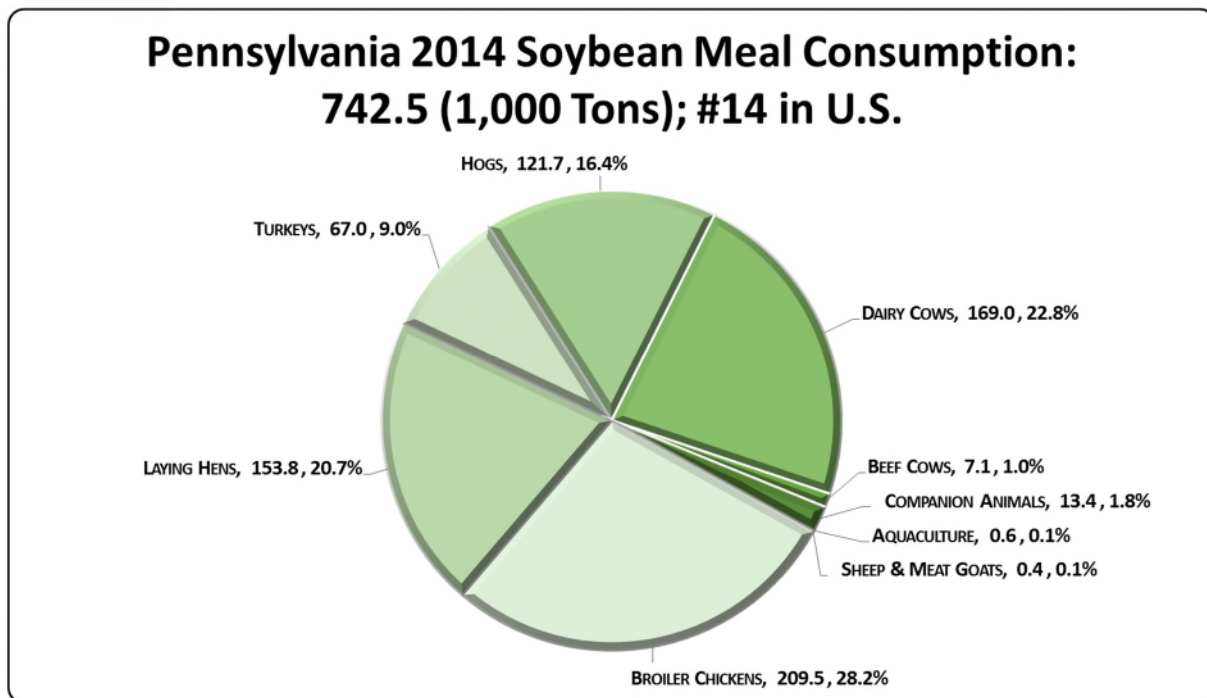
Pennsylvania Animal Agriculture Soybean Meal Consumption

The choice to use soybean meal in animal agriculture is highly dependent upon nutritional requirements of animals (which would encompass varying life stages within an animal species), accessibility to various feed ingredients capable of competing with soybean meal (from both a nutritional and price standpoint), and consumer preferences which have influence on production practices.

Through in-depth conversations with many of the nation’s top nutritionists and researchers from both private industry and public institutions, “bottom up” estimates of soybean meal usage by animal type were determined. Using the input from these conversations and additional analysis performed by Decision Innovation Solutions, the quantity of soybean meal used during the 2013-14 soybean marketing year by up to sixteen specific animal species has been estimated.

Pennsylvania’s animal agriculture consumed almost 742.5 thousand tons of soybean meal in 2014, placing the state as #14 in the nation in terms of soybean meal consumption (see figure below). The three segments of animal agriculture that led the state in estimated soybean meal consumption are:

- Broilers (209.5 thousand tons)
- Dairy Cows (169.0 thousand tons)
- Egg-Laying Hens (153.8 thousand tons)

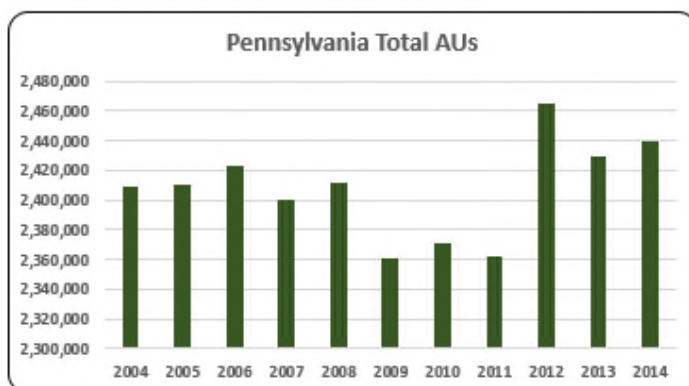
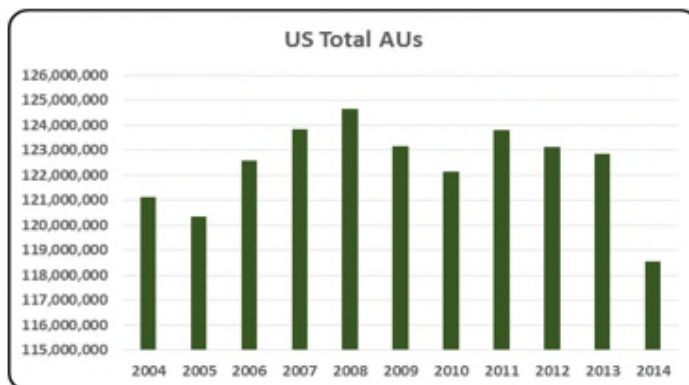


Pennsylvania Animal Unit (AU) Trends

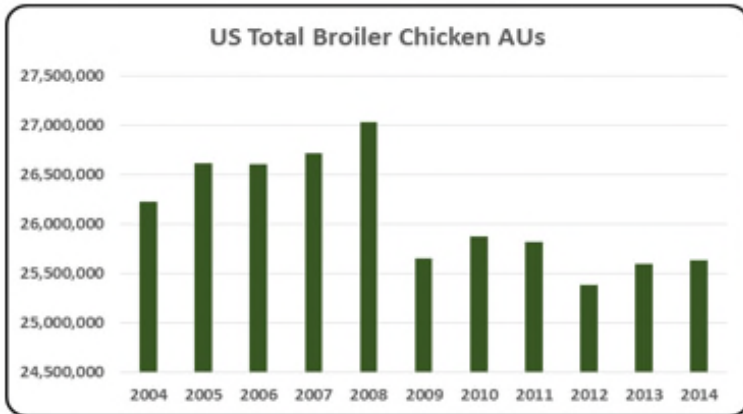
Over time, prices of feed, meat, eggs and milk, as well as levels of demand for these products in the United States and abroad have an impact on the size of animal agriculture in the State of Pennsylvania. Due to this reality, using a single year as a measure of the presence and strength of a sector can be misleading. The use of animal units allows for a more accurate comparison of differing sizes of livestock and poultry. This section is included to bring context to the question of what animal agriculture means to Pennsylvania and to give perspective on Pennsylvania's contribution to the nation's animal agriculture industry and beyond.

Similar to using a single year to measure the presence and strength of a sector, in some circumstances AUs can be misleading. This is because AUs do not reflect important considerations like increased weights, improved livability, increased laying potential, etc.

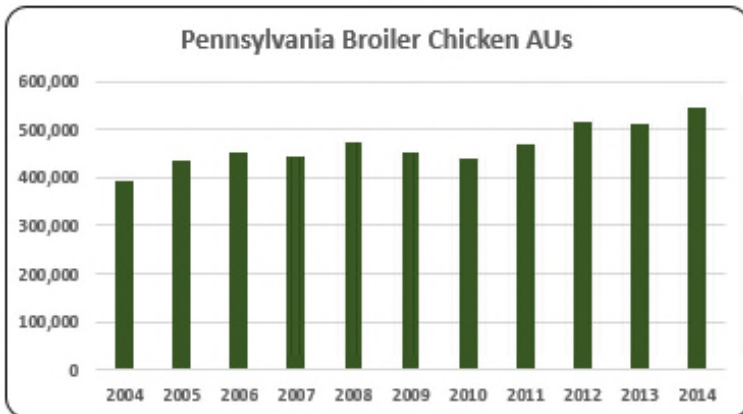
As shown in the accompanying charts and written commentary, certain components of animal agriculture are more present, and therefore more dominant than others. This is due primarily to geography (i.e., weather patterns and access to certain transportation hubs), proximity to high quality, relevant feed ingredients, and the local animal agriculture regulatory framework. In Pennsylvania, the largest three segments of animal agriculture in terms of AUs during 2014 were: Dairy Cows (742.0 thousand AUs), Beef Cows (630.5 thousand AUs), and Broilers (544.9 thousand AUs). Total animal units in Pennsylvania during 2014 were 2,438.9 thousand AUs.



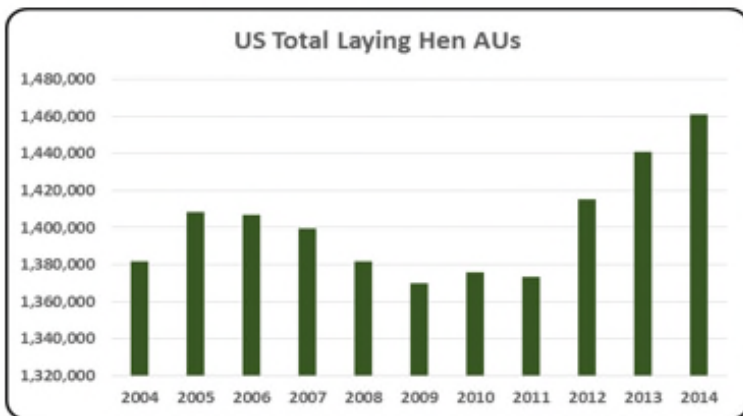
- Overall U.S. total AUs have varied from 2004 to 2014. In 2014 AUs were at an all-time low reflecting, in part, the impact of severe weather on cattle production in some parts of country. During the 2004-14 time period, total AUs in the nation peaked in 2008.
- There were 2,438.9 thousand AUs in Pennsylvania in 2014 representing 2.06% of all AUs in the U.S. 2014 was an above average year in the state with 2,464.6 thousand AUs. Overall Pennsylvania's animal production increased 1.3% during the last decade.



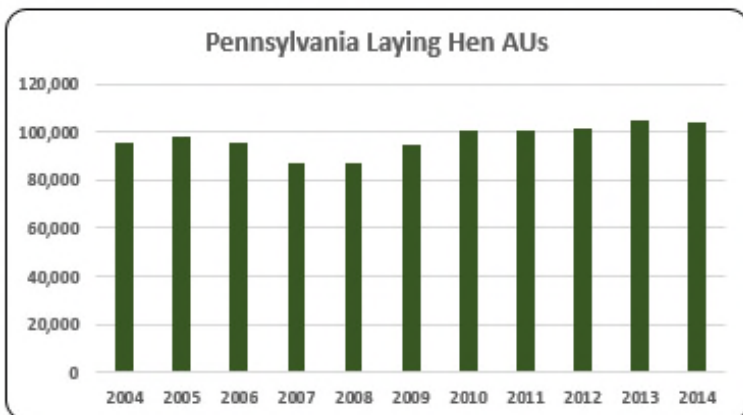
- U.S. broiler production is clustered in a number of states, with Georgia being the largest producer. On average from 2004 to 2014, broiler chicken AUs were about 26.1 million. In 2014, AUs rebounded 1% from the low AUs numbers in 2012 (25.4 million AUs).



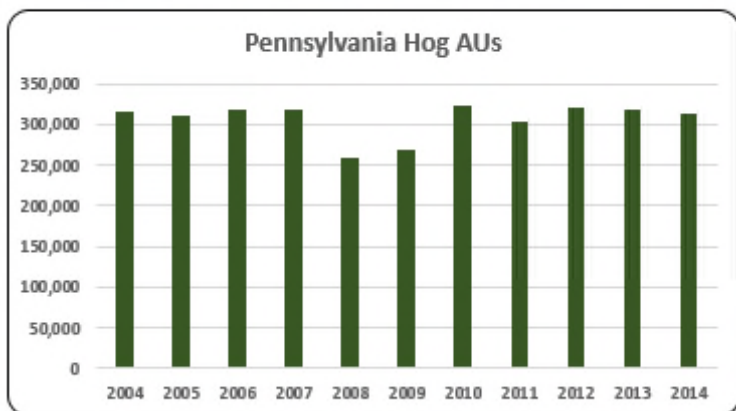
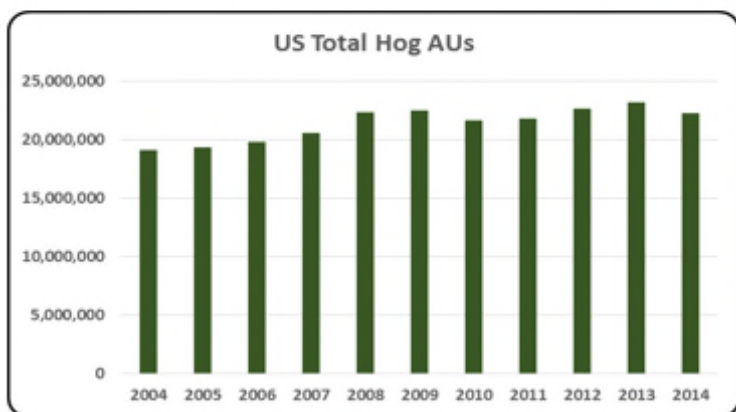
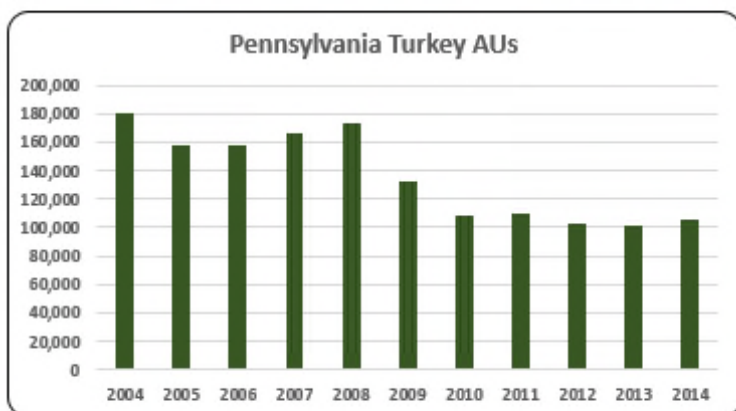
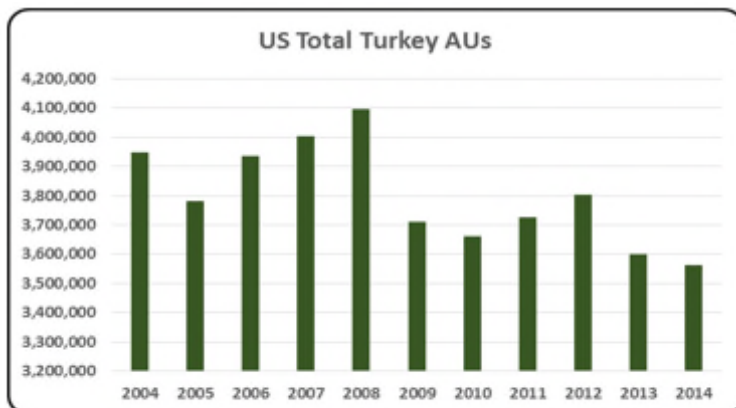
- On average, there were 466,490 broiler AUs during the last decade. Broiler production showed a 39.4% expansion from 2004 to 2014.



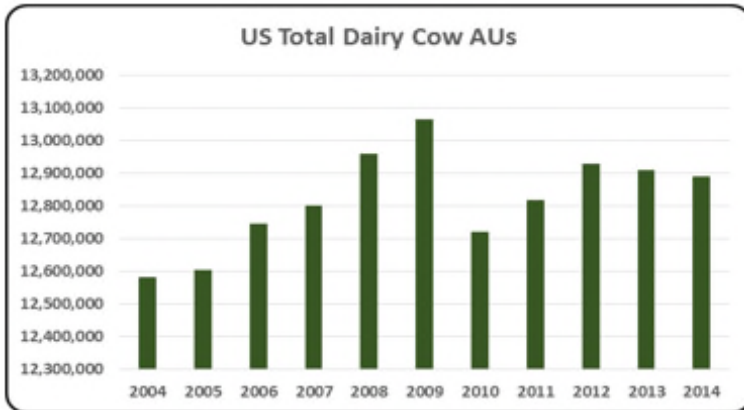
- On average, the layer AUs during 2004-2014 were 1.4 million. In 2014 layer AUs were 1.5 million, up 7% from the lowest number in 2009 (1.4 million AUs).



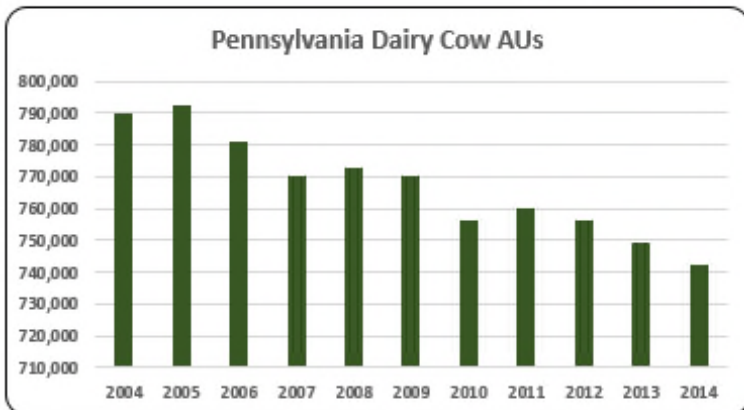
- In general, layer production showed an upward trend, increasing 9% throughout the decade. There were 104,061 layer AUs in 2014. Pennsylvania accounted for seven percent of all layer production in the U.S. in 2014.



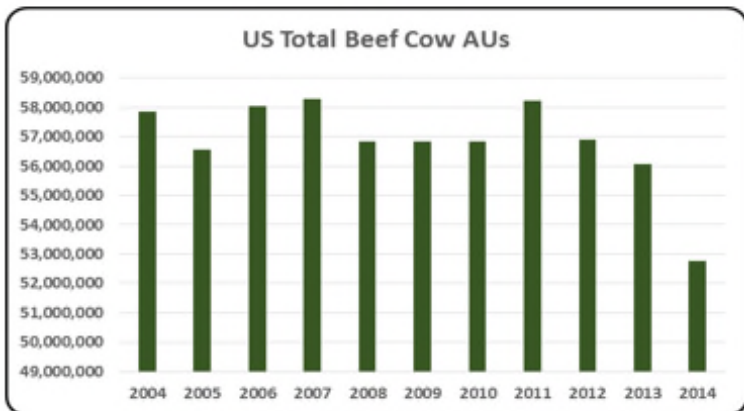
- From 2004 to 2014, the U.S. accounted for 50% of the world’s turkey production. However, in 2014 turkey AUs were the lowest of the decade at 3.5 million, decreasing 13% compared to 2008 (4.1 million turkey AUs) the largest turkey AUs of the decade.
- Turkey production declined 42% percent, with the largest drop in production starting in 2009. From 2009 to 2014, on average, there were 109,714 turkey AUs.
- On average from 2004 to 2014, hog AUs were about 21.4 million. In 2013 hog AUs reached a high of 23.2 million AUs as prices of main feed ingredients, particularly corn, decreased to pre-2010 price levels. Hog AUs in 2014 decreased 4.4% to 22.3 million AUs year-over-year, primarily due to the porcine epidemic diarrhea virus (PEDv) outbreak. Despite the fluctuation in AUs, the pork supply was relatively stable.
- There were 312,450 hog AUs in 2014. Hog production decreased 1% from 2004 to 2014, but contributed 12.81% to the total Pennsylvania AU numbers in 2014.



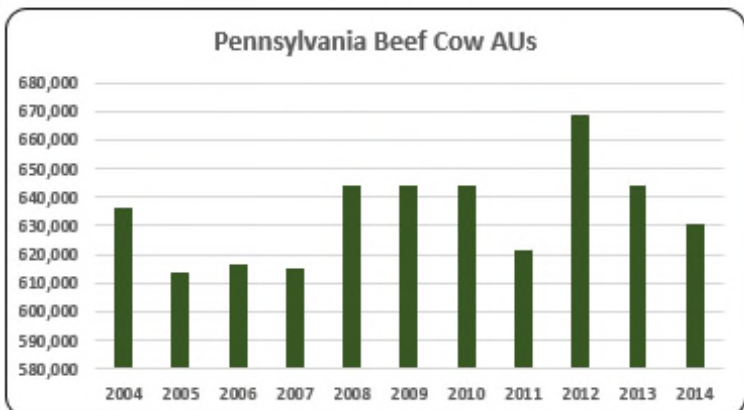
- From 2004 to 2014 dairy cow AUs averaged 12.8 million. In 2014, dairy cow AUs (12.9 million) remained about the same as the previous year but still below the high of 13.1 million AUs, the level in 2009. Despite the fluctuation in AUs, milk supplied has steadily risen.



- Dairy cow production was the largest animal production in the state during the last decade with 767,200 dairy cow AUs, on average. Overall, dairy cow production decreased 6% with 742,000 dairy cow AUs in 2014.



- From 2004 to 2014 beef cow AUs averaged 56.8 million. In 2014 beef cow AUs decreased to 52.8 million, the lowest of the decade. States that raise a large number of cattle and calves like Texas and Oklahoma were plagued with drought conditions during 2014.



- Beef cow production was the second largest production in the state of Pennsylvania from 2004 to 2014. The average number of beef cow AUs was 634,293 during that period, but beef cow AUs declined 1% during the last decade.

Pennsylvania Additional Information and Methodology

Animal agriculture is an important part of Pennsylvania's current and future economic health. To quantify the connection between animal agriculture and local economies, the United Soybean Board commissioned [Decision Innovation Solutions](#), an economic research firm in Urbandale, Iowa, to conduct an in-depth analysis of several aspects of animal agriculture. This analysis includes the following components:

- Economic impact of animal agriculture to local (state) economies during the 2004-2014 time period
- Soybean meal usage by animal species during the 2013/14 soybean marketing year
- Animal Unit (AU) trends from 2004-2014

Given the long-term presence of animal agriculture in Pennsylvania, of interest is the degree to which the industry impacts the Pennsylvania economy. Estimates of output, jobs, earnings, taxes paid, and multipliers for Pennsylvania animal agriculture are presented in this report. Methodology for this section of the report closely mirrors that followed in years' past. Also presented are estimates of the change in how animal agriculture has impacted Pennsylvania's economy over the last decade. Differences, to the extent they are present, are noted within the larger national report which accompanies this state report.

As with any industry across the economic spectrum, there are ebbs and flows in activity that have implications for other parts of the economy. Again using the same 2004-2014 time period as with the economic impact section of this state report, the "Animal Unit Trends" seeks to quantify production changes in animal agriculture in Pennsylvania which have occurred. As shown in this state report, Pennsylvania has seen changes within its animal agriculture industry. Expectations are that animal agriculture will continue to evolve over the next decade.

Animal agriculture is the single largest user of soybean meal in Pennsylvania. Through in-depth conversations with many of the nation's top nutritionists and researchers, "bottom up" estimates of soybean meal usage by animal type were determined. Using the input from these conversations and additional analysis performed by Decision Innovation Solutions, the quantity of soybean meal used during the 2013-14 soybean marketing year for up to sixteen specific animal species has been estimated.

Should readers have comments or questions regarding methodology, results and interpretation, please contact the authors at info@decision-innovation.com or 515.257.6077.

Pennsylvania Multipliers

Economic multipliers give a sense for how economic activity in a given industry is related to other industries in the same study area. To estimate the impact of animal agriculture on Pennsylvania's economy, we applied RIMS II multipliers from the Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis for cattle ranching and farming, dairy cattle and milk production, poultry and egg production, and other animal production (primarily hogs and pigs), where applicable.

Multipliers are generally stated in the form of "per million dollars" of output. As it relates to this analysis, multipliers are stated as the activity related to every million dollars of economic output in animal agriculture. Referring to the multipliers below, for every million dollars in output generated by the various segments of animal agriculture in Pennsylvania, \$1.773 to \$2.440 million in total economic activity, \$0.314 to \$0.435 in household wages and 12 to 15 additional jobs are generated in the economy at large.

	Animal Type	Output(\$)	Earnings (\$)	Employment (Jobs)
RIMS II Multipliers	Cattle and Calves	\$ 1.8879	\$ 0.3216	12.4
	Hogs, Pigs, and Other	\$ 1.7734	\$ 0.3144	12.4
	Poultry and Eggs	\$ 2.4403	\$ 0.4351	13.7
	Dairy	\$ 2.0320	\$ 0.3764	15.1

Appendix

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	
Animal Units (AUs)	Beef Cattle AUs	636,150	613,650	616,500	615,300	643,800	643,800	643,800	621,150	668,670	643,875	630,525
	Hog and Pig AUs	316,500	311,400	319,035	317,445	259,620	268,170	322,350	303,000	319,800	317,400	312,450
	Broiler AUs	390,842	436,377	452,170	444,689	474,428	451,660	439,361	467,504	516,394	513,064	544,903
	Turkey AUs	180,000	158,332	158,368	166,091	173,617	131,879	108,252	109,551	102,254	101,380	104,966
	Egg Layer AUs	95,680	97,776	95,592	86,752	87,264	94,668	100,632	100,620	101,493	105,102	104,061
	Dairy AUs	789,600	792,400	781,200	770,000	772,800	770,000	756,000	760,200	756,000	749,000	742,000
	Total Animal Units	2,408,772	2,409,934	2,422,865	2,400,277	2,411,529	2,360,177	2,370,395	2,362,025	2,464,611	2,429,821	2,438,906
Value of Production (\$1,000)	Cattle and Calves (\$1,000)	\$ 412,965	\$ 395,912	\$ 381,645	\$ 385,260	\$ 387,801	\$ 352,719	\$ 407,598	\$ 515,506	\$ 616,659	\$ 596,590	\$ 708,834
	Hogs and Pigs (\$1,000)	\$ 224,313	\$ 221,729	\$ 198,241	\$ 191,906	\$ 160,086	\$ 159,524	\$ 251,409	\$ 308,968	\$ 315,230	\$ 327,724	\$ 383,495
	Broilers (\$1,000)	\$ 325,496	\$ 359,865	\$ 306,693	\$ 381,015	\$ 429,272	\$ 399,875	\$ 404,446	\$ 399,973	\$ 481,050	\$ 580,231	\$ 635,216
	Turkeys (\$1,000)	\$ 112,320	\$ 101,357	\$ 105,462	\$ 103,532	\$ 138,368	\$ 99,990	\$ 105,228	\$ 119,691	\$ 122,137	\$ 113,582	\$ 129,140
	Eggs (\$1,000)	\$ 339,744	\$ 214,188	\$ 238,351	\$ 389,119	\$ 488,056	\$ 367,224	\$ 408,227	\$ 490,511	\$ 524,878	\$ 599,377	\$ 715,299
	Milk (\$1,000)	\$ 1,770,912	\$ 1,775,007	\$ 1,568,332	\$ 2,232,538	\$ 2,115,000	\$ 1,519,344	\$ 1,964,871	\$ 2,330,887	\$ 2,095,600	\$ 2,279,232	\$ 2,745,531
	Other	\$ 16,299	\$ 16,353	\$ 15,324	\$ 13,619	\$ 14,093	\$ 13,290	\$ 14,078	\$ 12,719	\$ 12,219	\$ 11,718	\$ 11,217
	Sheep and Lambs (\$1,000)	\$ 7,095	\$ 7,402	\$ 6,626	\$ 5,174	\$ 5,901	\$ 5,351	\$ 6,392	\$ 5,286	\$ 5,039	\$ 4,791	\$ 4,543
	Aquaculture (\$1,000)	\$ 9,204	\$ 8,951	\$ 8,698	\$ 8,445	\$ 8,192	\$ 7,939	\$ 7,686	\$ 7,433	\$ 7,180	\$ 6,927	\$ 6,674
	Total (\$1,000)	\$ 3,202,049	\$ 3,084,411	\$ 2,814,048	\$ 3,696,989	\$ 3,732,676	\$ 2,911,966	\$ 3,555,857	\$ 4,178,255	\$ 4,167,773	\$ 4,508,454	\$ 5,328,732

Ag Census Data Category	Animal Type	1997	2002	2007	2012	
Number of Farms by NAICS	Beef cattle ranching and farming (112111)	7,083	7,677	8,350	7,665	
	Cattle feedlots (112112)	2,463	3,197	1,611	726	
	Dairy cattle and milk production (11212)	9,591	8,678	7,434	6,598	
	Hog and pig farming (1122)	1,130	1,366	1,072	765	
	Poultry and egg production (1123)	1,320	1,655	2,691	2,141	
	Sheep and goat farming (1124)	993	1,524	2,010	2,073	
	Animal aquaculture and other animal production (1125,1129)	2,947	6,736	8,062	6,868	
Value of Sales (\$1,000)	Cattle and Calves	372,761	441,671	556,192	717,085	
	Hogs and Pigs	236,740	269,318	336,437	457,916	
	Poultry and Eggs	756,800	745,624	1,015,843	1,362,039	
	Milk and Other Dairy Products	1,330,978	1,393,992	1,890,190	1,966,892	
	Aquaculture	7,632	15,325	44,519	26,123	
	Other (calculated)	89,814	70,115	95,916	49,123	
	Total	2,794,725	2,936,045	3,939,097	4,579,178	
Input Purchases	Livestock and poultry purchased	(Farms)	16,075	17,996	15,367	18,409
		\$1,000	290,987	333,396	482,913	502,633
	Breeding livestock purchased	(Farms)	<i>n/a</i>	8,990	6,716	8,489
		\$1,000	<i>n/a</i>	66,562	76,826	114,511
	Other livestock and poultry purchased	(Farms)	<i>n/a</i>	11,417	10,712	12,736
		\$1,000	<i>n/a</i>	266,834	406,087	388,122
	Feed purchased	(Farms)	26,901	36,011	32,576	37,228
		\$1,000	973,221	937,355	1,267,184	1,832,951

	Animal Type	Output (\$1,000)	Earnings (\$1,000)	Employment (Jobs)	Taxes Paid (\$1,000)
2014 Animal Agriculture	Cattle and Calves	\$ 1,338,208	\$ 227,961	8,769	\$ 53,343
	Hogs, Pigs, and Other	\$ 699,983	\$ 124,098	4,909	\$ 29,039
	Poultry and Eggs	\$ 3,610,802	\$ 643,798	20,226	\$ 150,649
	Dairy	\$ 5,578,919	\$ 1,033,418	41,504	\$ 241,820
	Total	\$ 11,227,912	\$ 2,029,274	75,408	\$ 474,850
Change from 2004 to 2014	Cattle and Calves	\$ 361,140	\$ 61,520	2,366	\$ 14,396
	Hogs, Pigs, and Other	\$ 165,226	\$ 29,292	1,159	\$ 6,854
	Poultry and Eggs	\$ 1,232,815	\$ 219,808	6,906	\$ 51,435
	Dairy	\$ 1,069,163	\$ 198,048	7,954	\$ 46,343
	Total	\$ 2,828,344	\$ 508,668	18,385	\$ 119,028
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	Poultry and Eggs	\$ 2.4403	\$ 0.4351	13.7	
	Dairy	\$ 2.0320	\$ 0.3764	15.1	
Tax Rates	Federal effective income tax rate				12.7%
	Federal Social Security tax rate				7.7%
	State Effective Rate				3.1%
	Total				23.4%

Sources: 1997, 2002, 2007 and 2012 Census of Agriculture, USDA/NASS Survey Data, RIMS II Multipliers (U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis), Tax Policy Institute and Tax Foundation.