

## Nebraska's Agriculture Advantage

### Grain and Feed

Corn	Ethanol and Distillers Grains	Soybeans and Meal	Wheat
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>#3 corn producer</li> <li>1.69 billion bushels</li> <li>9.1 million acres</li> <li>5.3 million irrigated acres</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>#2 producer of ethanol</li> <li>2 billion gallons ethanol</li> <li>6.5 million tons (DDGS)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>#5 soy producer</li> <li>314 million bushel</li> <li>5.2 million acres</li> <li>80% of soymeal is shipped out of the state</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>#7 wheat producer</li> <li>70 million bushels</li> <li>1.2 million acres</li> </ul>

#### Additional rankings:

- #1 Great Northern Beans (746,000 cwt, 31,900 acres, )
- #1 Popcorn (353 million pounds, 80,879 acres)
- #2 Pinto Beans (1.6 million cwt, 76,000 acres)
- #2 Proso Millet (3 million bushels, 80,000 acres)
- #3 Light Red Kidney Beans (50,000 cwt, 2,200 acres)
- #4 All Dry Edible Beans (122,000 acres)
- #5 Grain Sorghum (17.8 million bushels, 175,000 acres)
- #6 All hay production (5.7 million tons, 1.7 million acres)
- #6 Sugar Beets (1.4 million tons, 47,200 acres)
- #7 Sunflowers (58 million pounds, 39,000 acres)
- #7 Alfalfa (3 million tons, 750,000 acres)

Opportunities exist for further processing of grains and biofuels co-products like the many companies making products from corn on the Cargill campus in Blair, NE.

### Livestock

Cattle on Feed	Cows and Calves	Dairy	Swine	Poultry
#1 with 2.47 million head	#4 with 1.9 million cows	#25 with 60,000 cows 7% increase in milk production in past year	#6 with 3.4 million head	#14 in egg production

#### Other National Rankings:

- #1 in Beef and veal exports
- #1 Commercial red meat production
- #2 Bison producton

Nebraska's beef, pork, and poultry slaughter and processing facilities create opportunities for businesses that can take a by-product and create something of higher value like pharmaceuticals.

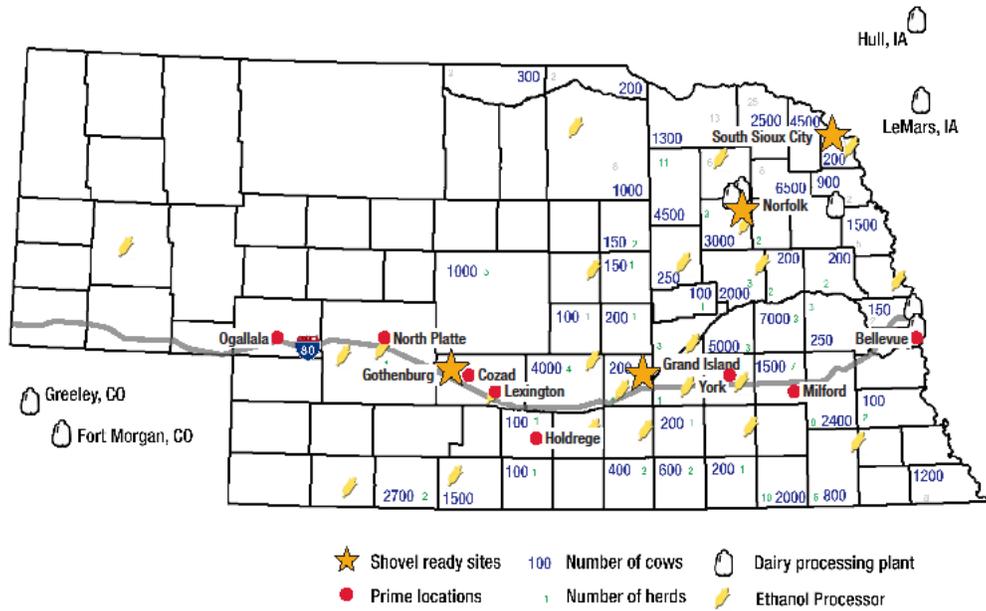
Swine and poultry breeding stock operations find Nebraska's low density of operations attractive as they are able to isolate these valuable operations for bio-security purposes.

**Grown Nebraska Dairy coalition -**

A team of state and local organizations committed to growing the dairy production and processing sectors in Nebraska. The group is comprised of Nebraska Dept of Ag, Nebraska Dept of Economic Development, Nebraska State Dairy Association, University of Nebraska Extension, The Alliance for the Future of Agriculture in Nebraska, Nebraska Public Power District and many other local partners. This powerful partnership can bring multiple resources to solve problems and create opportunities for dairy companies.

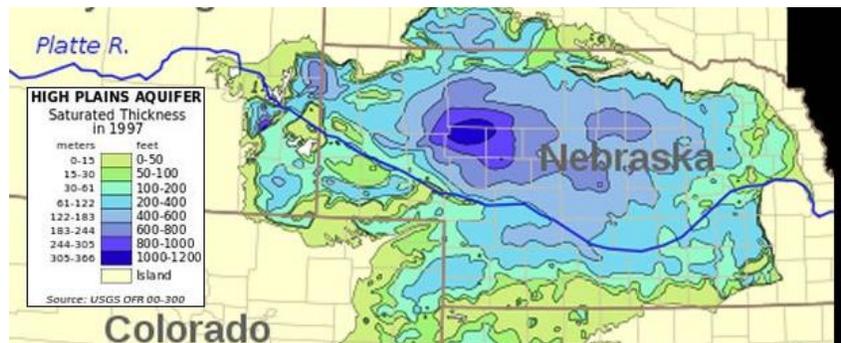


**Growth Opportunities in Nebraska Dairy**



**Water**

- The High Plains Aquifer under Nebraska holds five times the amount of water in Lake Erie.
- Aquifers in Nebraska have remained stable or risen while at the same time having the most irrigated acres in the U.S. due to careful planning and management.
- Rainfall ranges from 28 inches in the east to 16 inches in the west. Nebraska’s irrigation assets are used to supplement natural rainfall to produce consistent crops even in dry years.



High Plains Aquifer (Ogallala Aquifer)