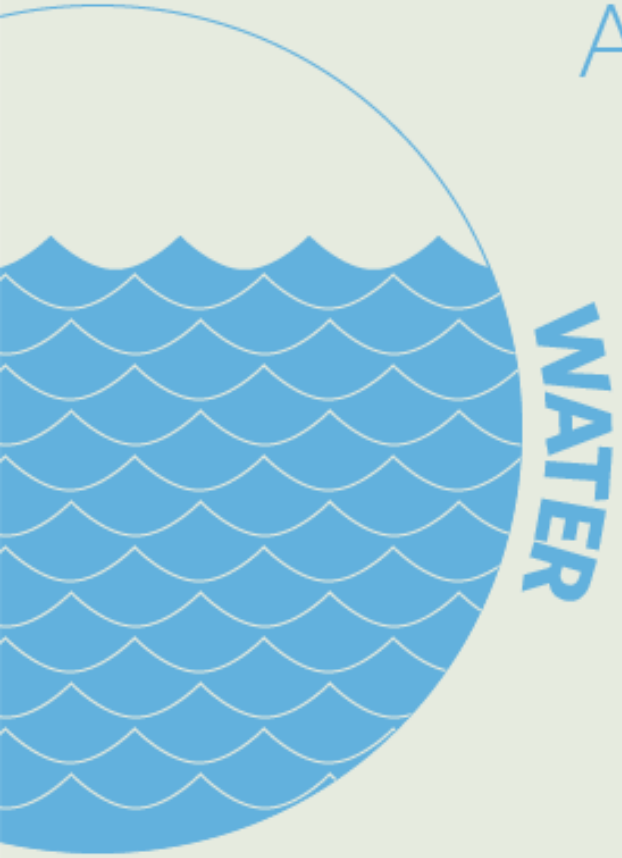
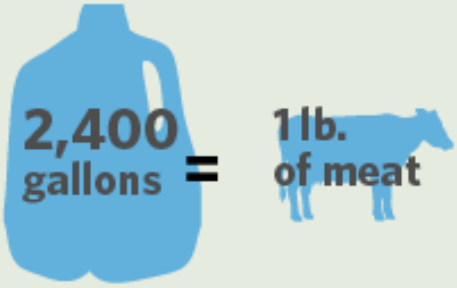
A THIRSTY INDUSTRY



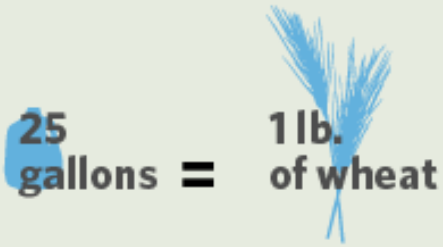
Nearly **half of all water used in the United States** goes to raising animals for food.

It takes more than 2,400 gallons of water to produce 1 pound of meat.

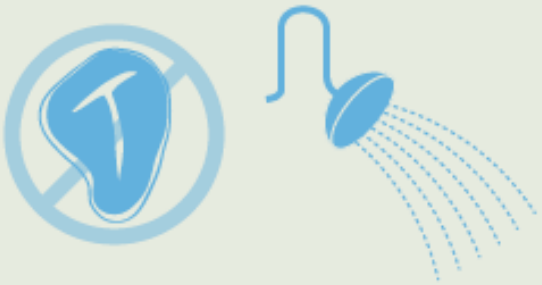


VS.

1 pound of wheat takes 25 gallons.

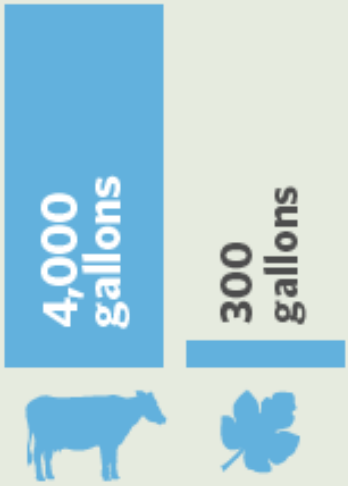


You'd save more water by not eating one pound of meat than you would by **not taking a shower for 6 months.**



A vegan diet requires 300 gallons of water per day vs. **meat-eating diet which reauires 4,000 gallons per day.**

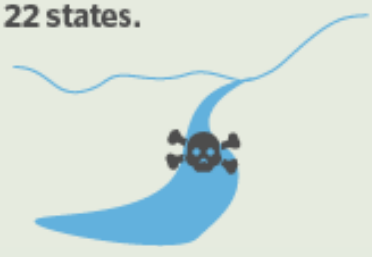
WATER REQUIREMENTS PER DIET



Animals raised for food create **89,000 pounds of excrement per second,** none of which benefits from the waste-treatment facilities human excrement does.

This creates massive amounts of groundwater pollution.

Chicken, Hog, and Cattle excrement has **polluted 35,000 miles of rivers in 22 states.**



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LAND

Raising animals for food uses **30% of the earth's land mass.**

OR

That's about the same size as Asia!

= 17 Million sq. miles

The moon has less area than that, at 14.6 million square miles.

More than **260 million acres of U.S. forest** have been cleared to create cropland to grow grain to feed farmed animals.

The equivalent of **7 football fields of land are bulldozed** every minute to create more room for farmed animals.

Livestock grazing is the number one cause of plant species becoming threatened or going extinct in the U.S.

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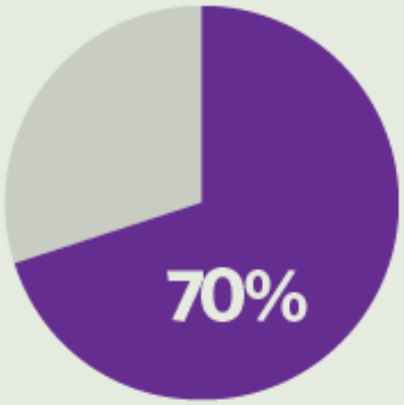
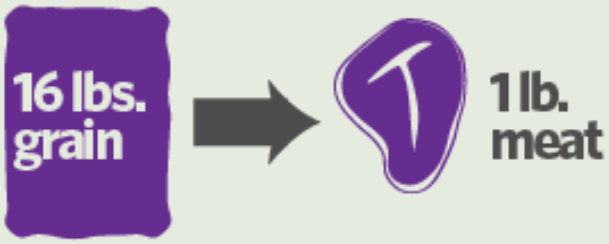
WHY IS RAISING ANIMALS FOR FOOD SO INEFFICIENT?

Animals eat large quantities of grain, soybeans, oats, and corn; however, they only produce a comparatively small amount of meat, dairy products, or eggs in return.

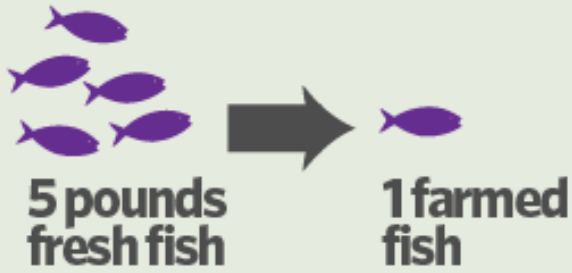


70% of grain and cereals grown in U.S. are fed to farmed animals.

It requires **16 pounds of grain** to produce 1 pound of meat.



5 pounds of wild-caught fish to produce 1 pound of farmed fish



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