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A World Well-Nourished: *Dairy's Role in Health and Sustainable Food Systems*

February 7, 2019

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The U.S. Dairy Stewardship Commitment



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Global Spotlight on Nutrition and Sustainability



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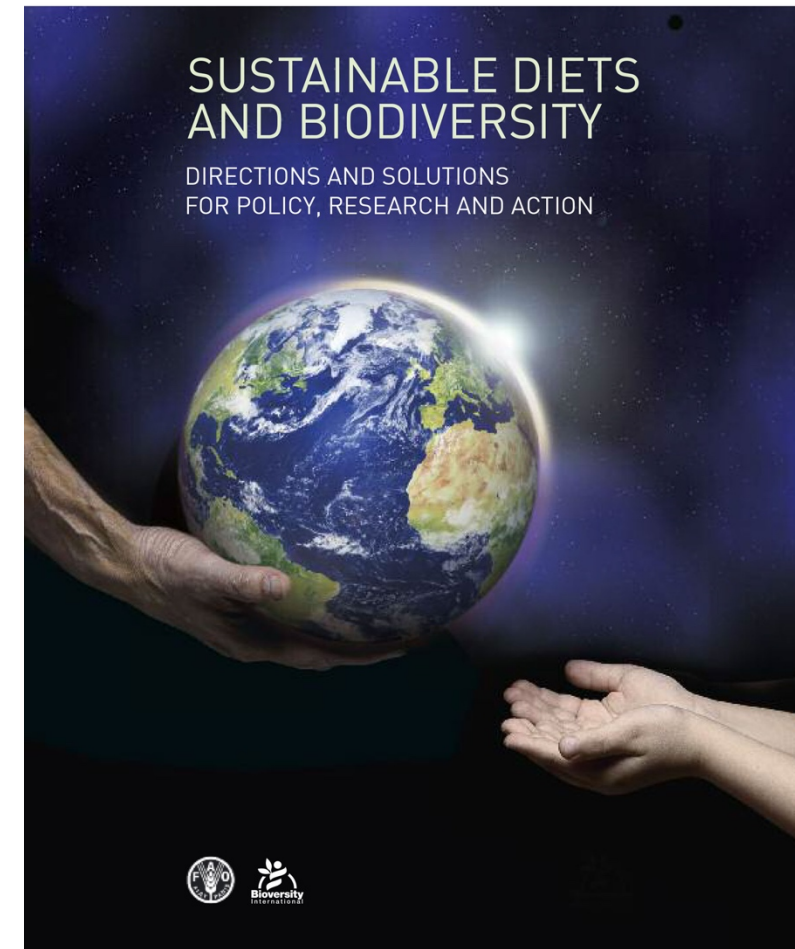
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FAO Definition of Sustainable Diets

- Low environmental impacts
- Contribute to food and nutrition security & to healthy life
- Protective and respectful of biodiversity & ecosystems
- Culturally acceptable
- Accessible
- Economically fair & affordable
- Nutritionally adequate
- Safe & healthy
- Optimize natural and human resources



3-5 November 2010
FAO Headquarters, Rome

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Proceedings of the International Scientific Symposium, BIODIVERSITY AND SUSTAINABLE DIETS UNITED AGAINST HUNGER,
3-5 November 2010, FAO Headquarters, Rome



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People are Asking...

*Is this good for
my body?*



*Is this good for
the planet?*



*Is this good for
the animals?*



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Today's Presenters:

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In Only 70 Years, We've Reduced our Impact...

90%
less land

65%
less water

76%
less
manure

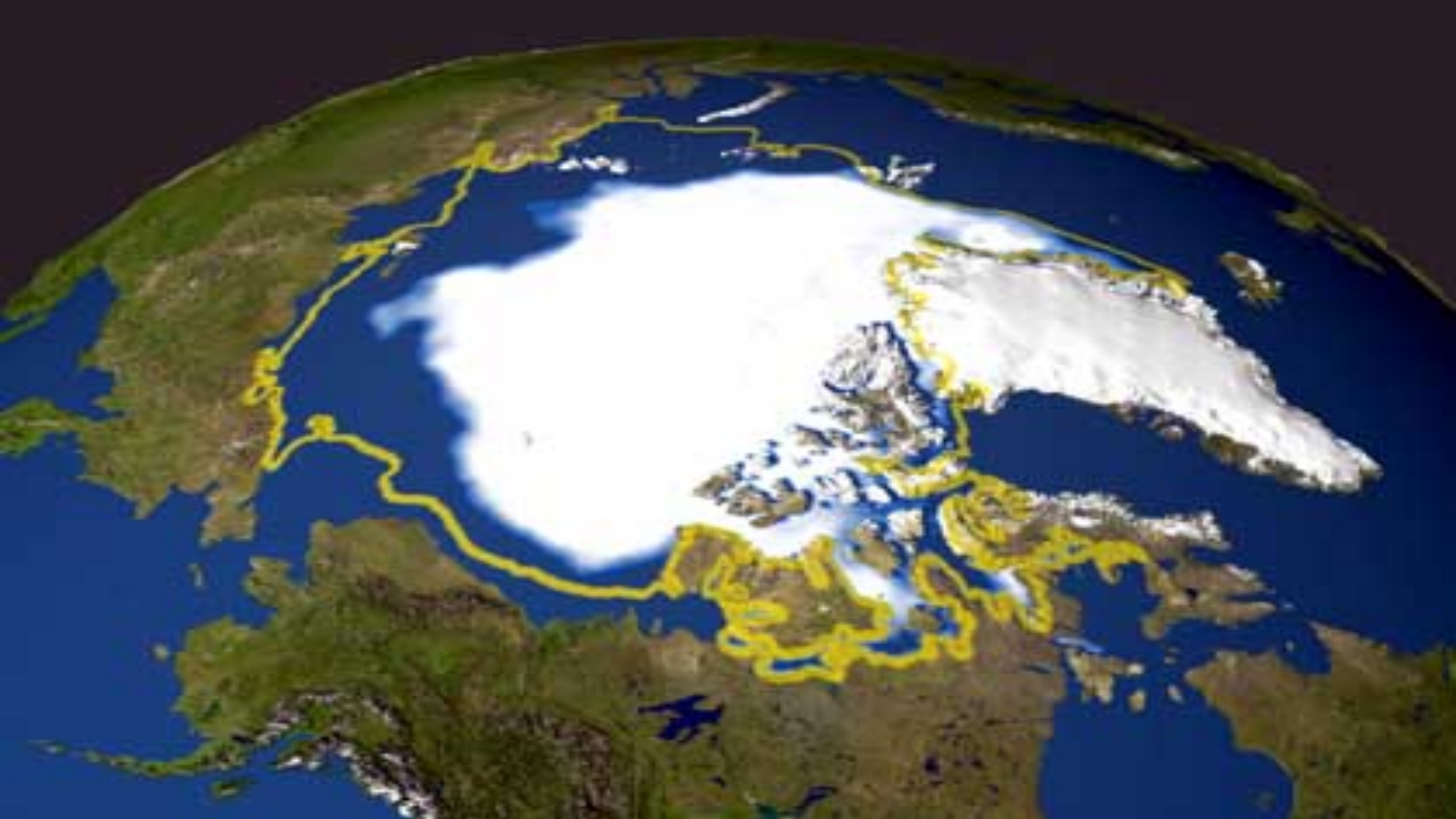
63%
less GHG

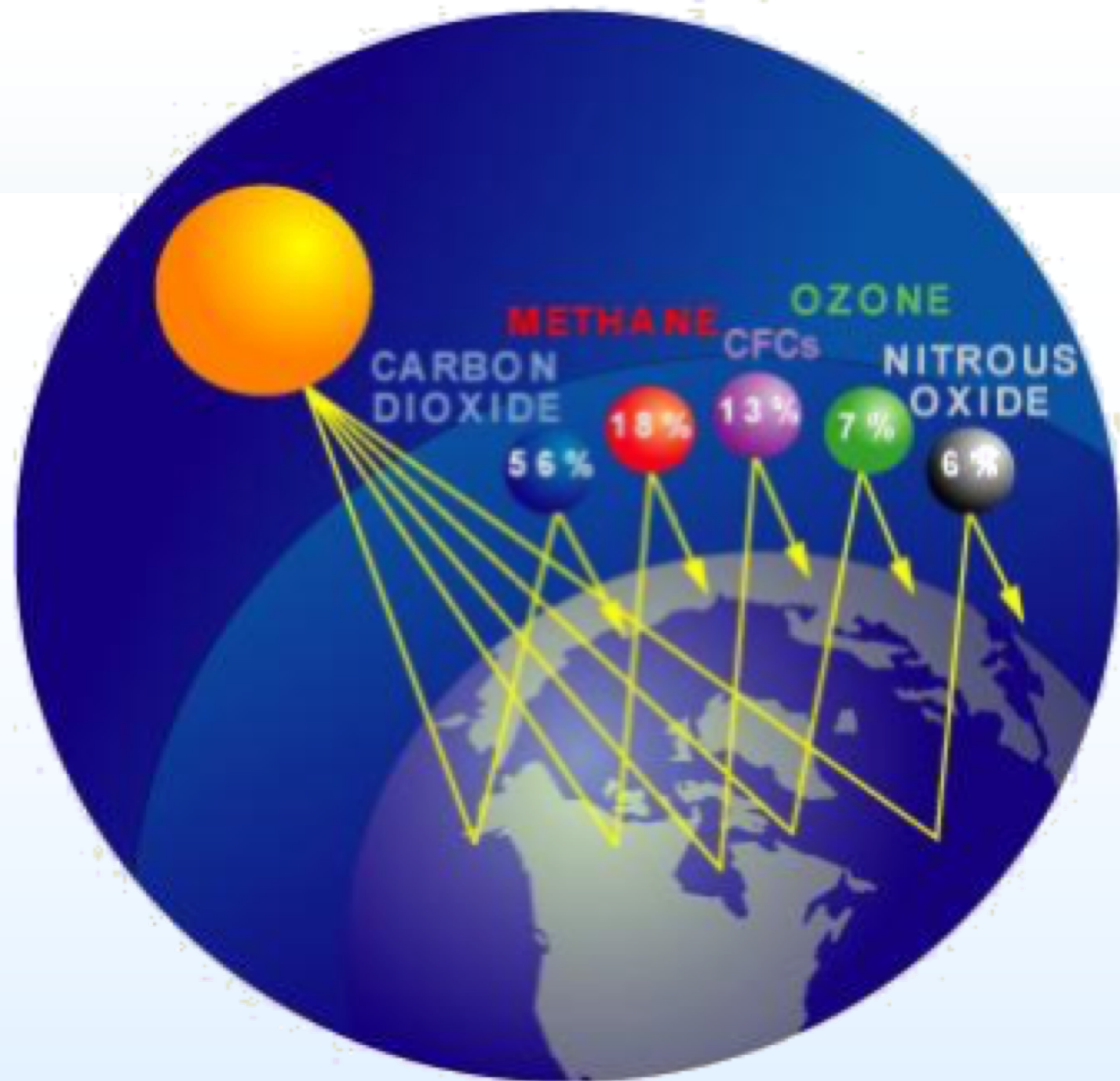
The dairy community has a voluntary commitment to
further reduce GHG 25% by 2020



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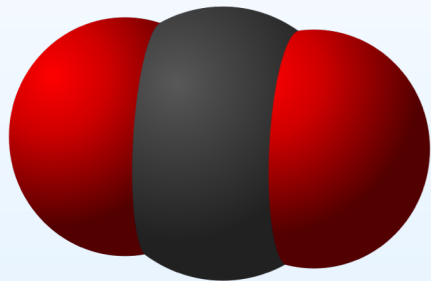




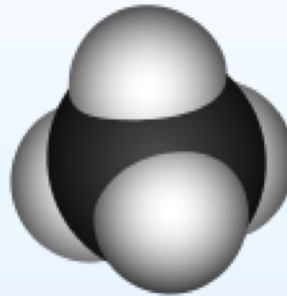
GHG & GWP

Global Warming Potential (GWP) of Main GHG

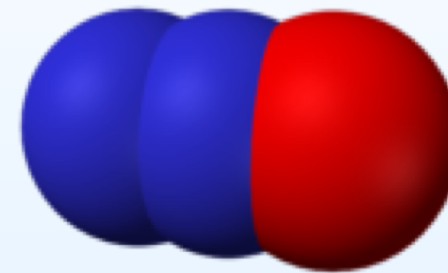
- Carbon Dioxide, CO₂ 1
- Methane, CH₄ 28
- Nitrous Oxide, N₂O 298



CO₂ – Carbon Dioxide

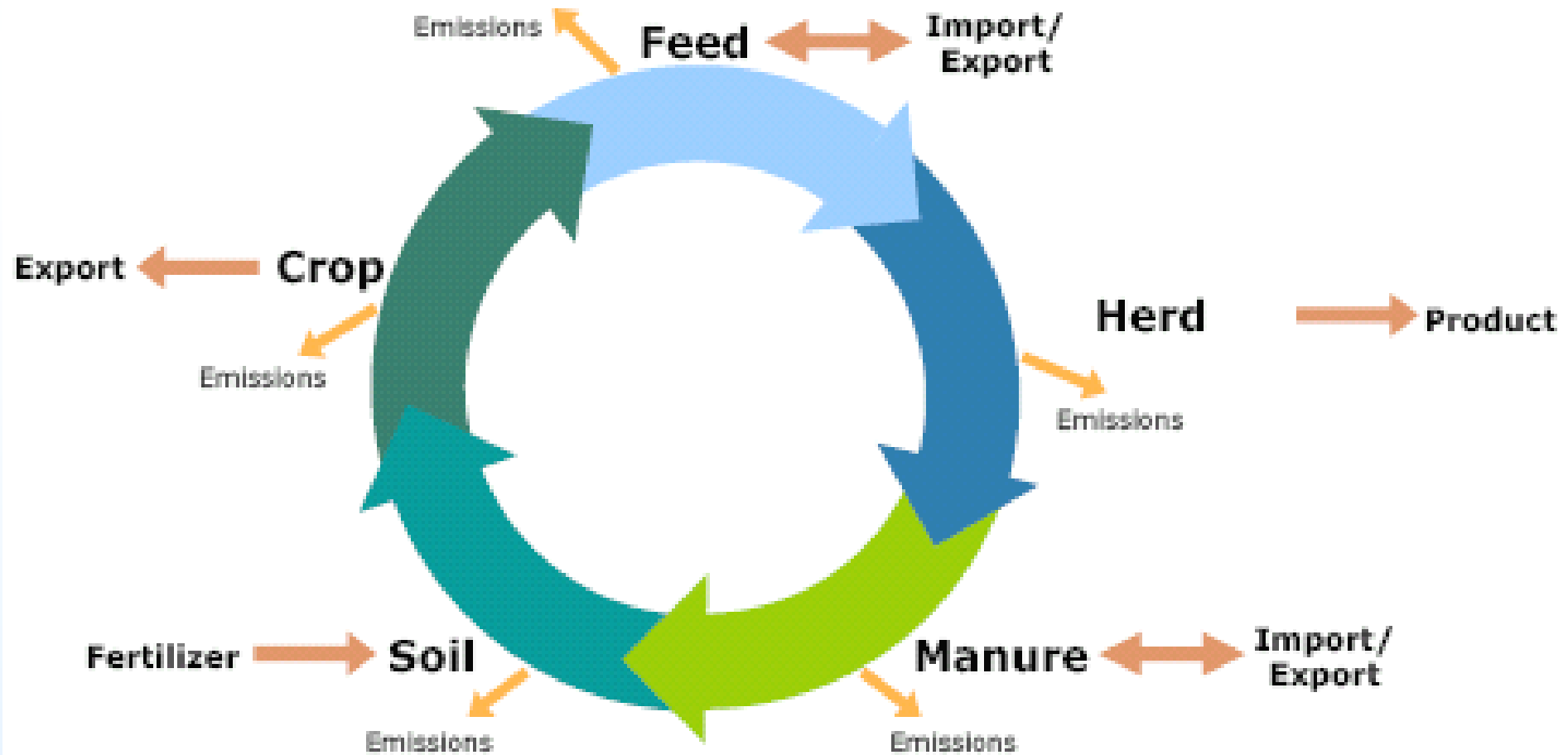


CH₄ – Methane

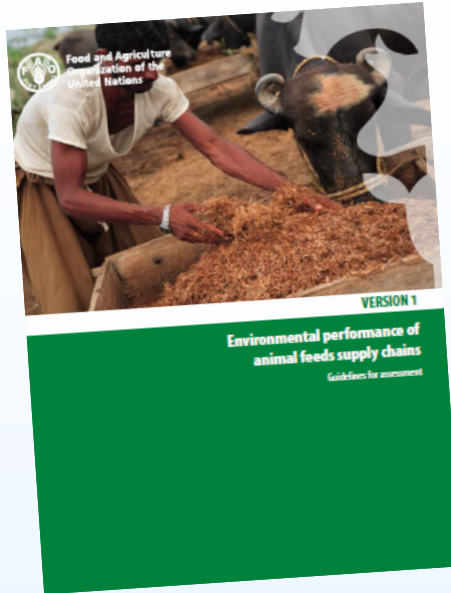


N₂O – Nitrous Oxide

Life Cycle Assessment



Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance Partnership (LEAP)



- Internationally agreed sector-level methodologies and guidance to allow
 - transparent,
 - robust,
 - and fair measurement of the environmental performance of livestock supply chains
- FAO / LEAP LCA Guidelines officially released

Farm to Table

The Dairy Supply Chain

Processing

There are more than 1,000 U.S. processing plants that turn milk into cheese, yogurt, ice cream, powdered milk and other products.

Milk Transport

Milk is transported from farm to processing company in insulated tanker trucks. The average truck carries 5800 gallons of milk and travels approximately 500 miles round trip.

Milk production

Dairy cows are housed, fed and milked on dairy farms across the country. On average, a cow in the United States gave about 21,345 pounds of milk in 2012.

Production of feed for cows

The dairy supply chain begins with growing crops such as corn, alfalfa hay and soybeans to feed dairy cows. About 35 percent of feed is grown on the farm by dairy farmers; the rest is purchased from other farmers.

- **Packaging**

Packaging is typically done by the dairy processor. Both paperboard and plastic containers are designed to keep dairy products fresh, clean and wholesome.

• Distribution

Distribution companies deliver dairy products from the processor to retailers, schools, and other outlets in refrigerated trucks.

↓ Retail

Milk and dairy products are available at 178,000 retail outlets of all shapes and sizes—from convenience stores and neighborhood groceries, to large discount stores and warehouse outlets.

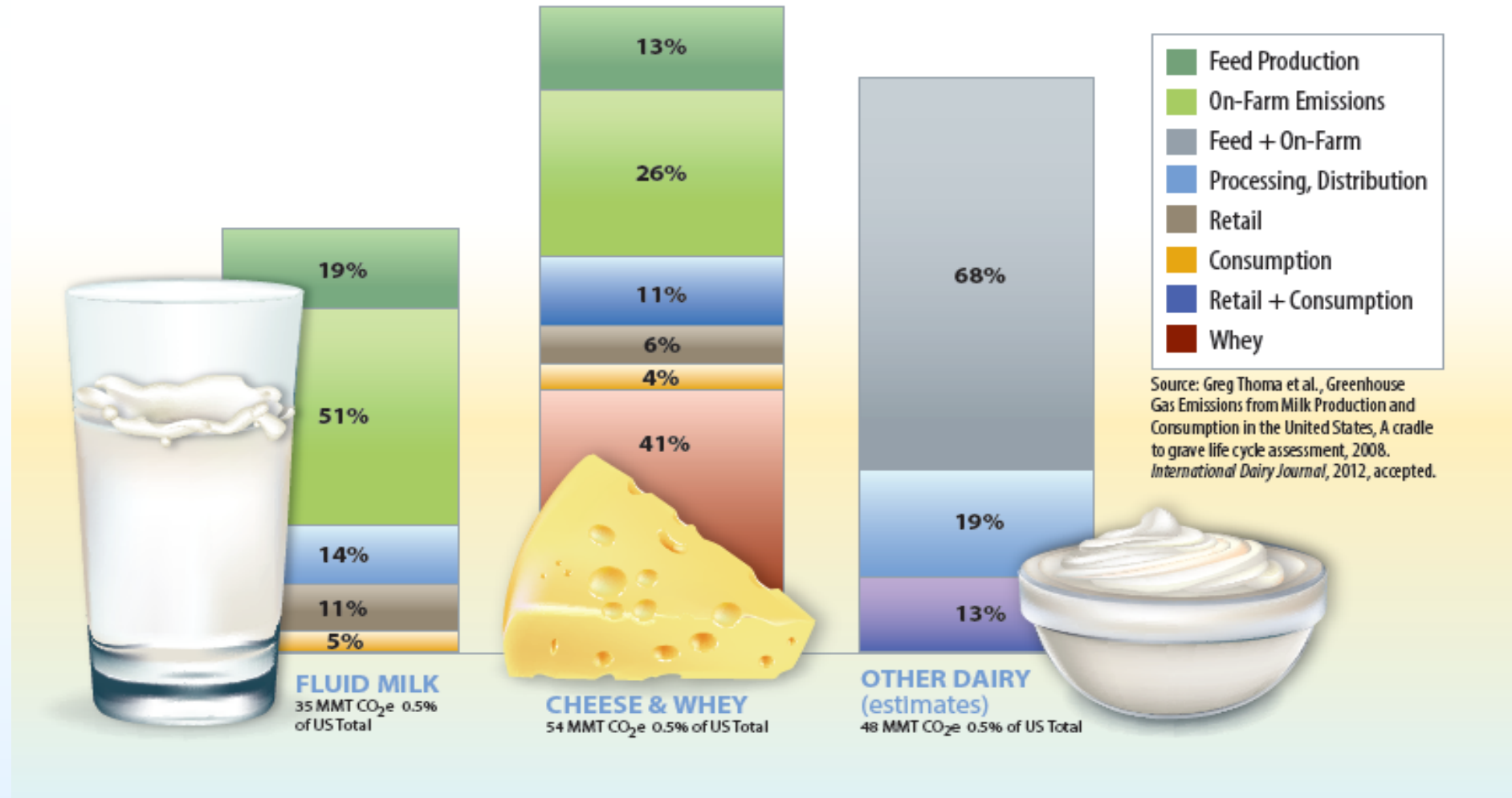
- Consumer

Milk and milk products deliver many essential nutrients to the diet of Americans.

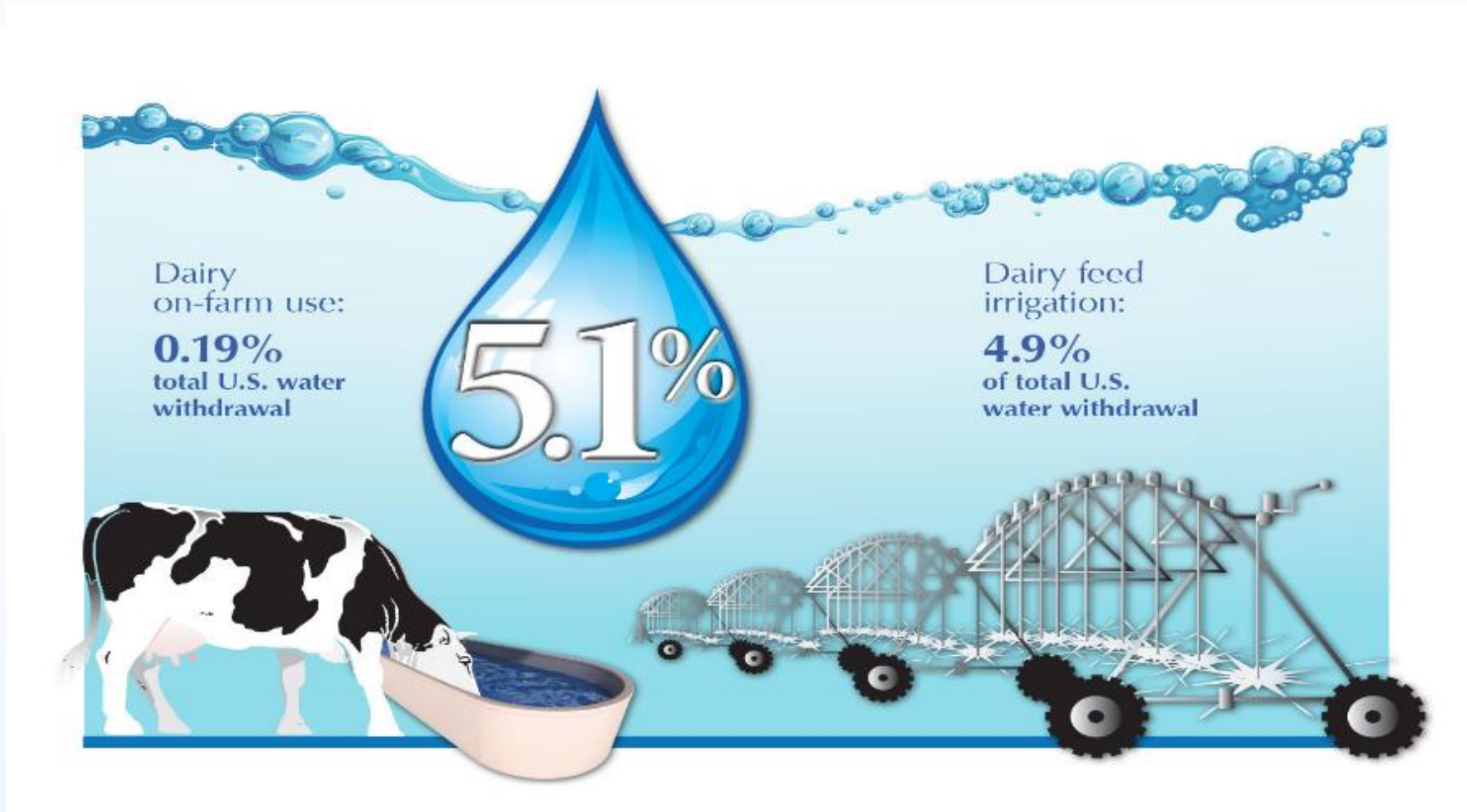
Dairy is ~2% of Total US Greenhouse Gas Emissions

U.S. Dairy Carbon Footprint — All Products

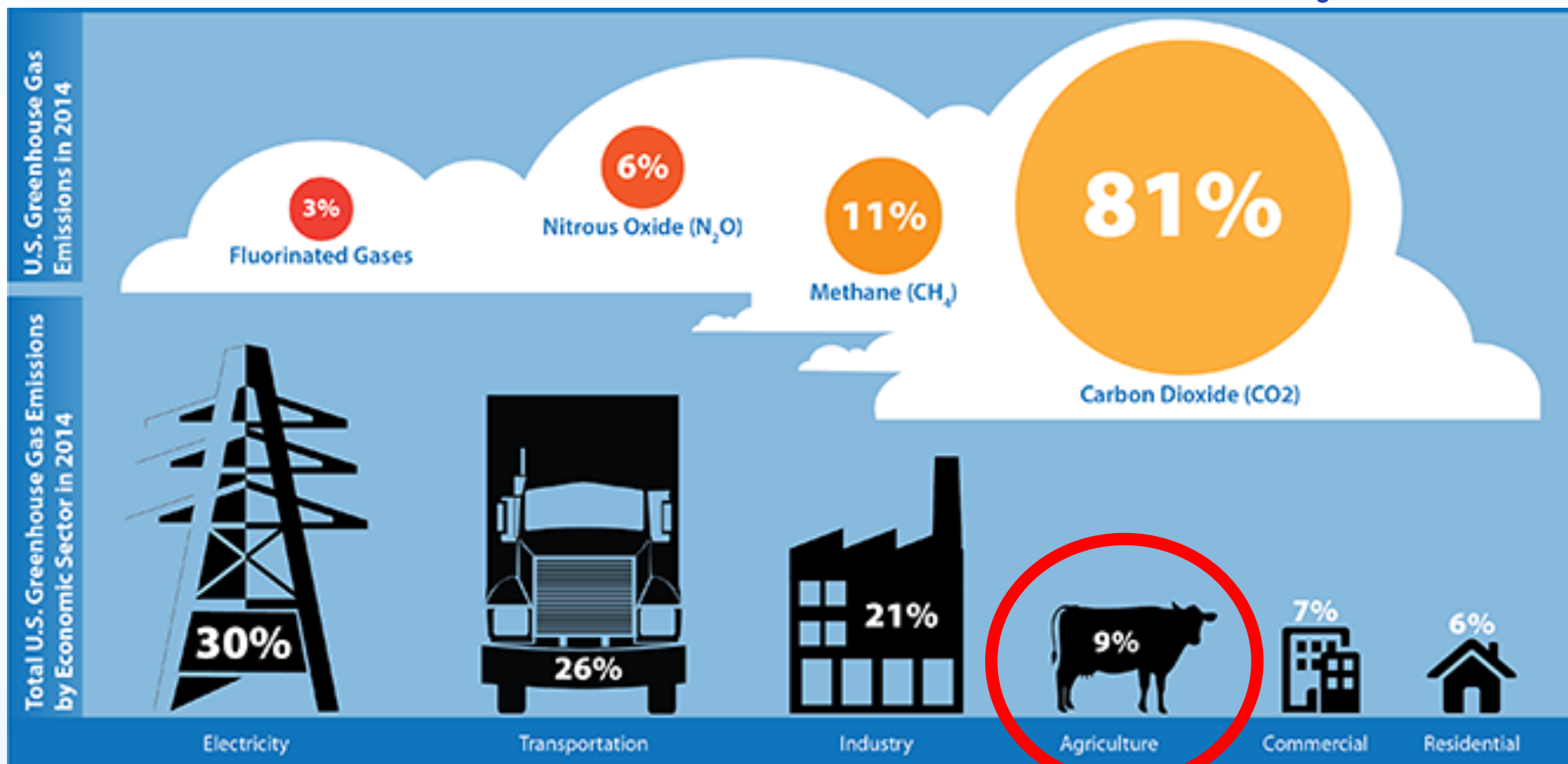
Total emissions = 137 MMT (2% of total U.S. GHG emissions)



Key finding: Dairy uses ~5.1% of U.S. water withdrawal



National-Level U.S. GHG Inventory



Source: EPA (2016)

Emissions from ALL (plant and animal) agriculture practices; excluding land-use change and fuel combustion



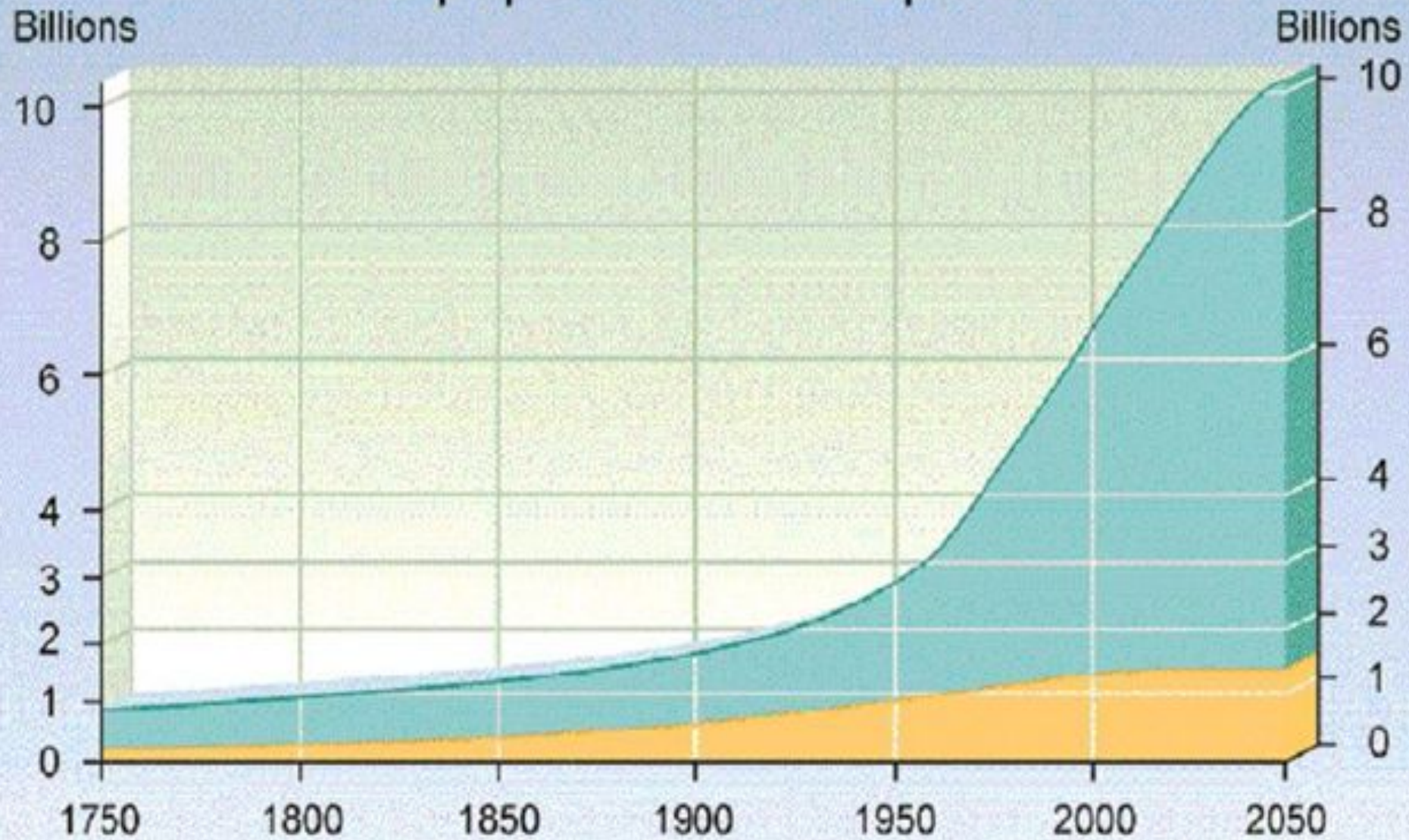
Global Waste: 1 out of 3 calories

40% in US

Photo: iStock

National Geographic

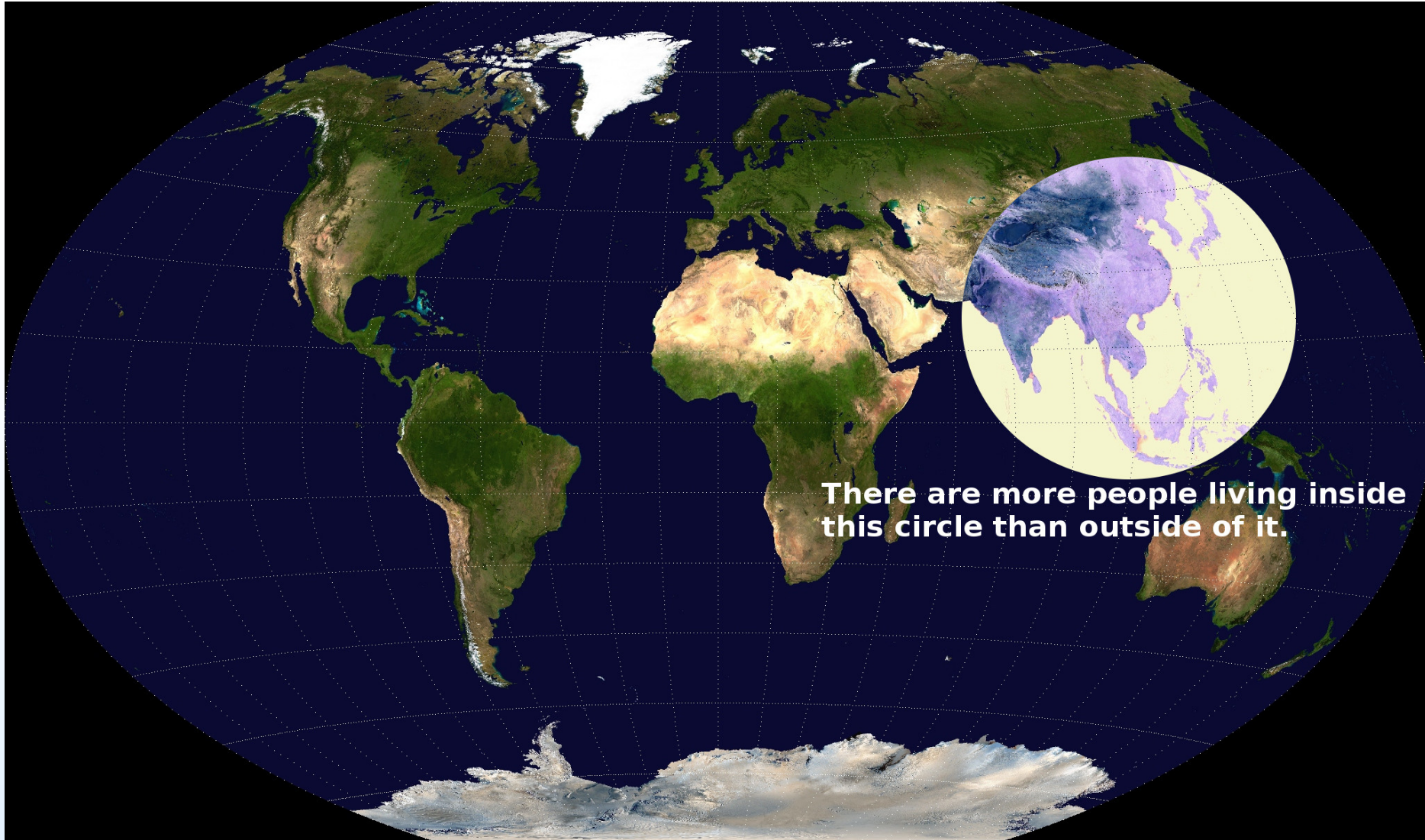
World population development



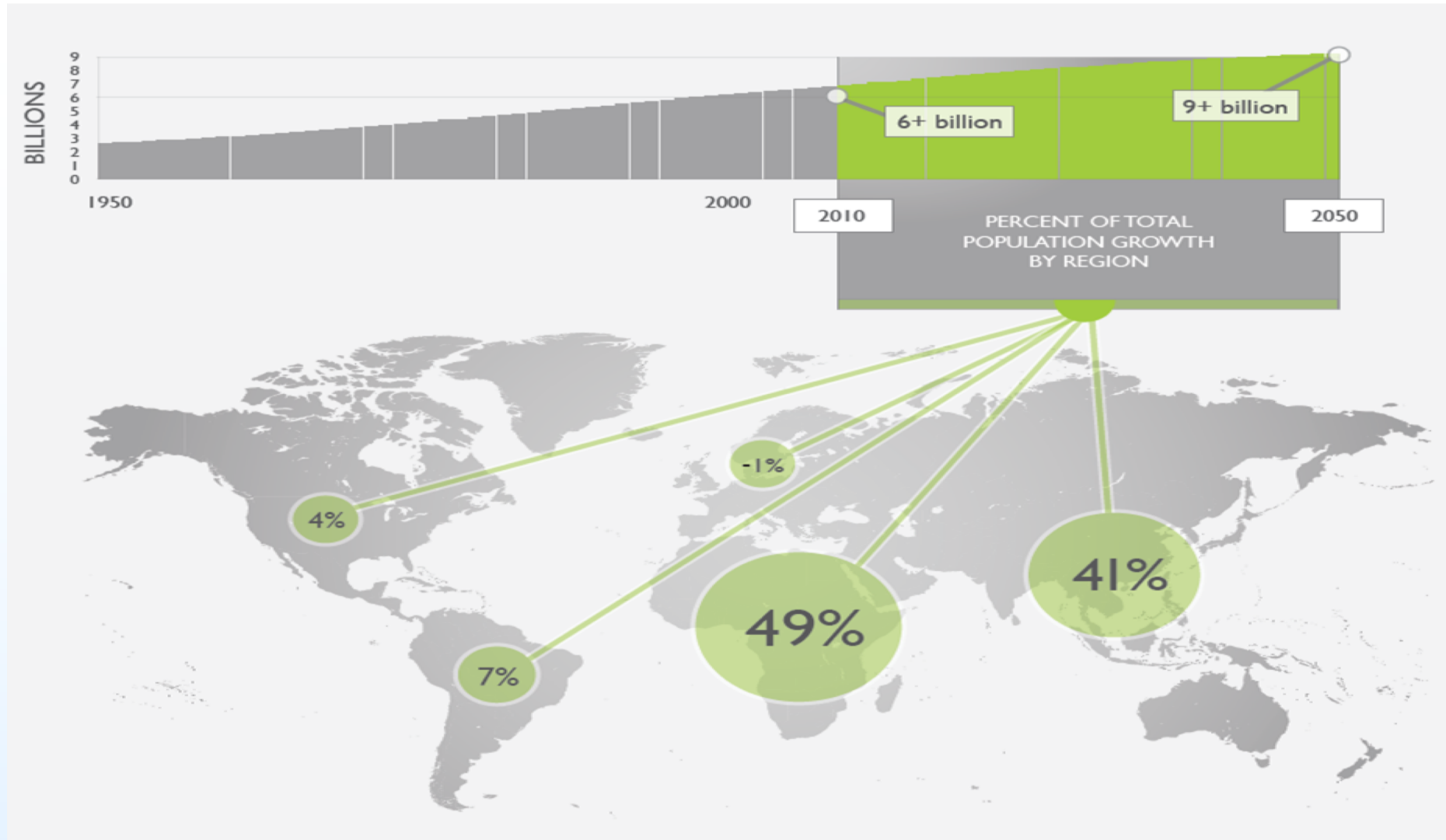
Developing countries

Industrialized countries

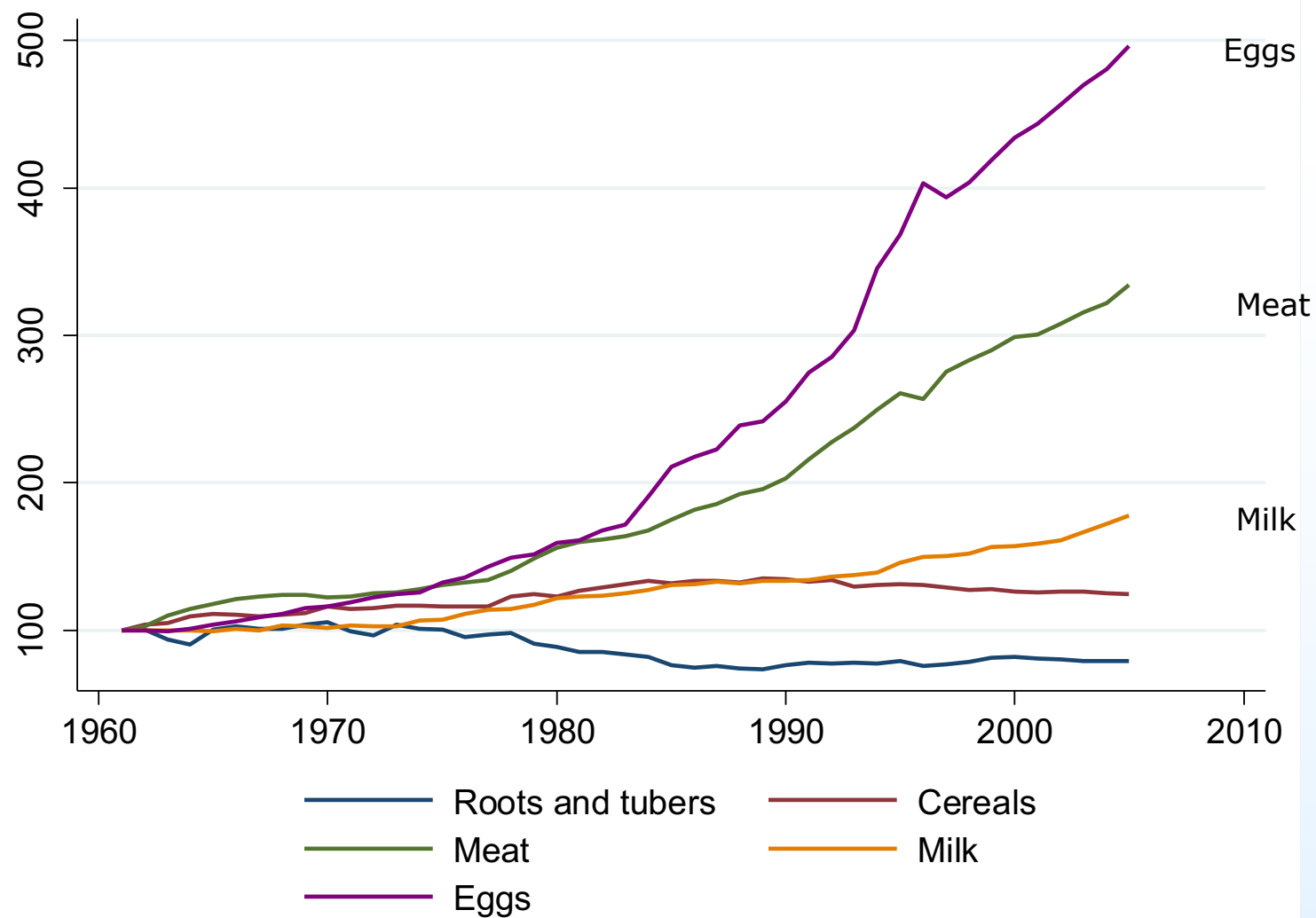
4.5 Billion + population of USA in 10 years



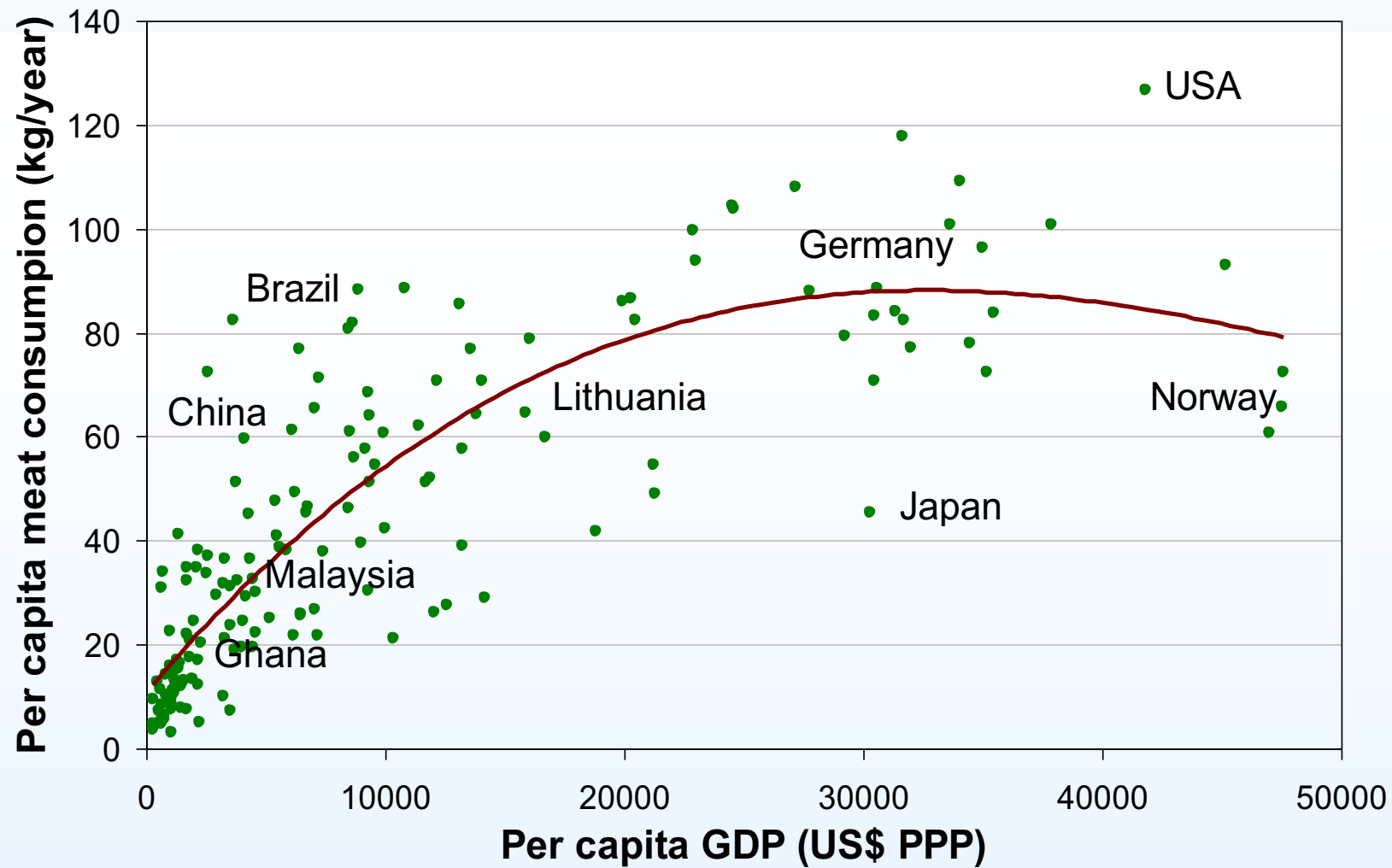
Today and Tomorrow's Markets



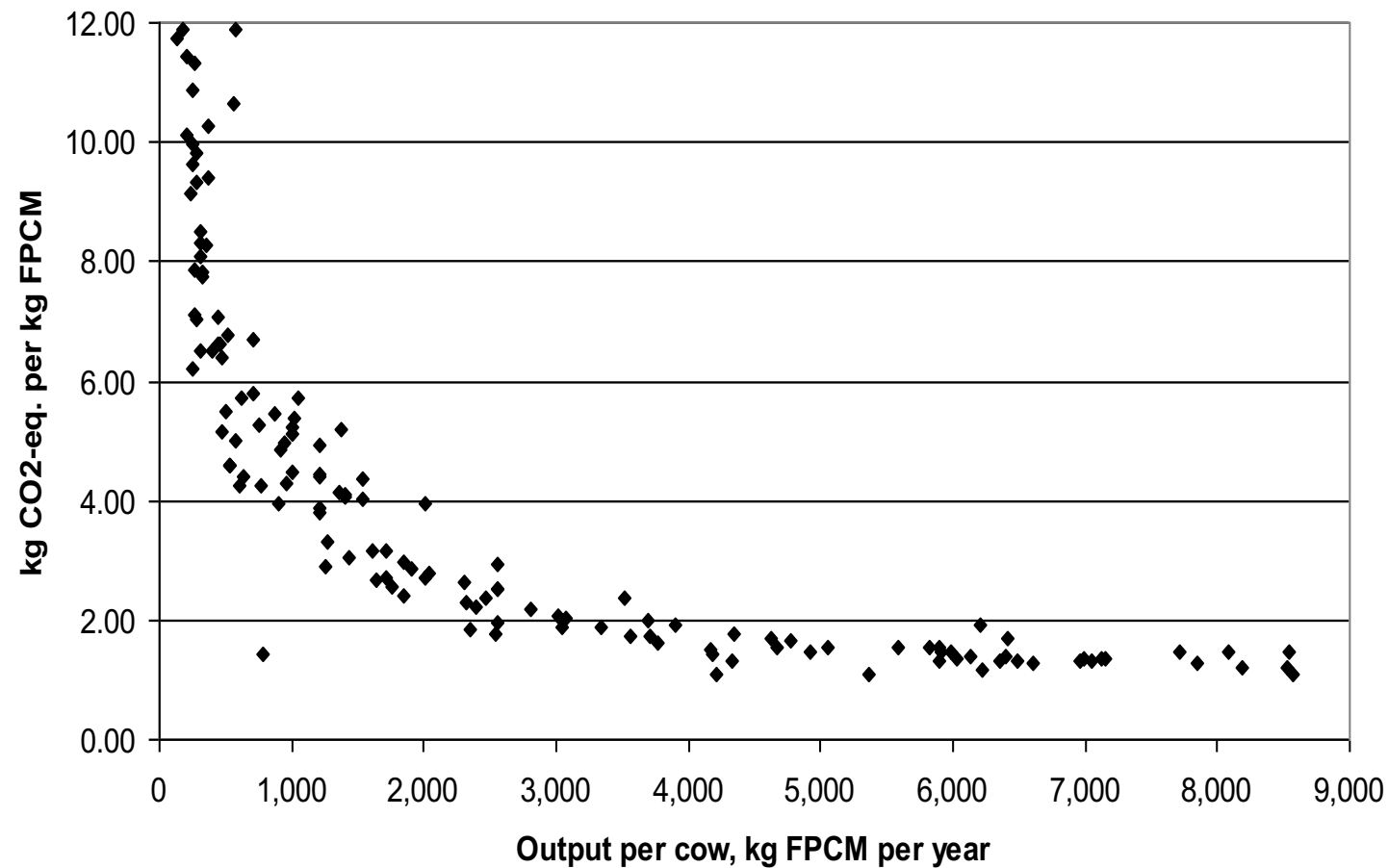
Consumption is growing rapidly in developing countries

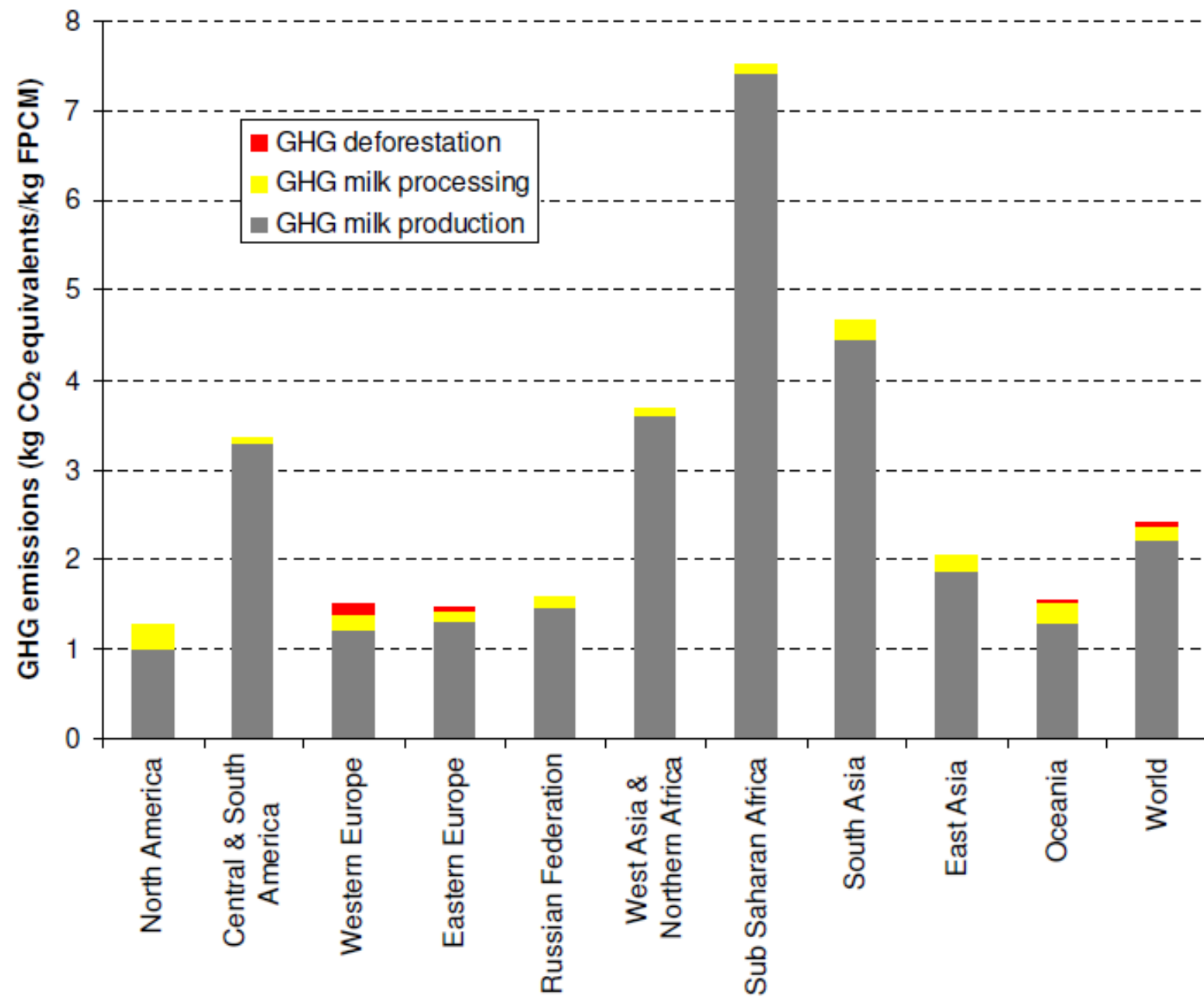


... driven by incomes ...

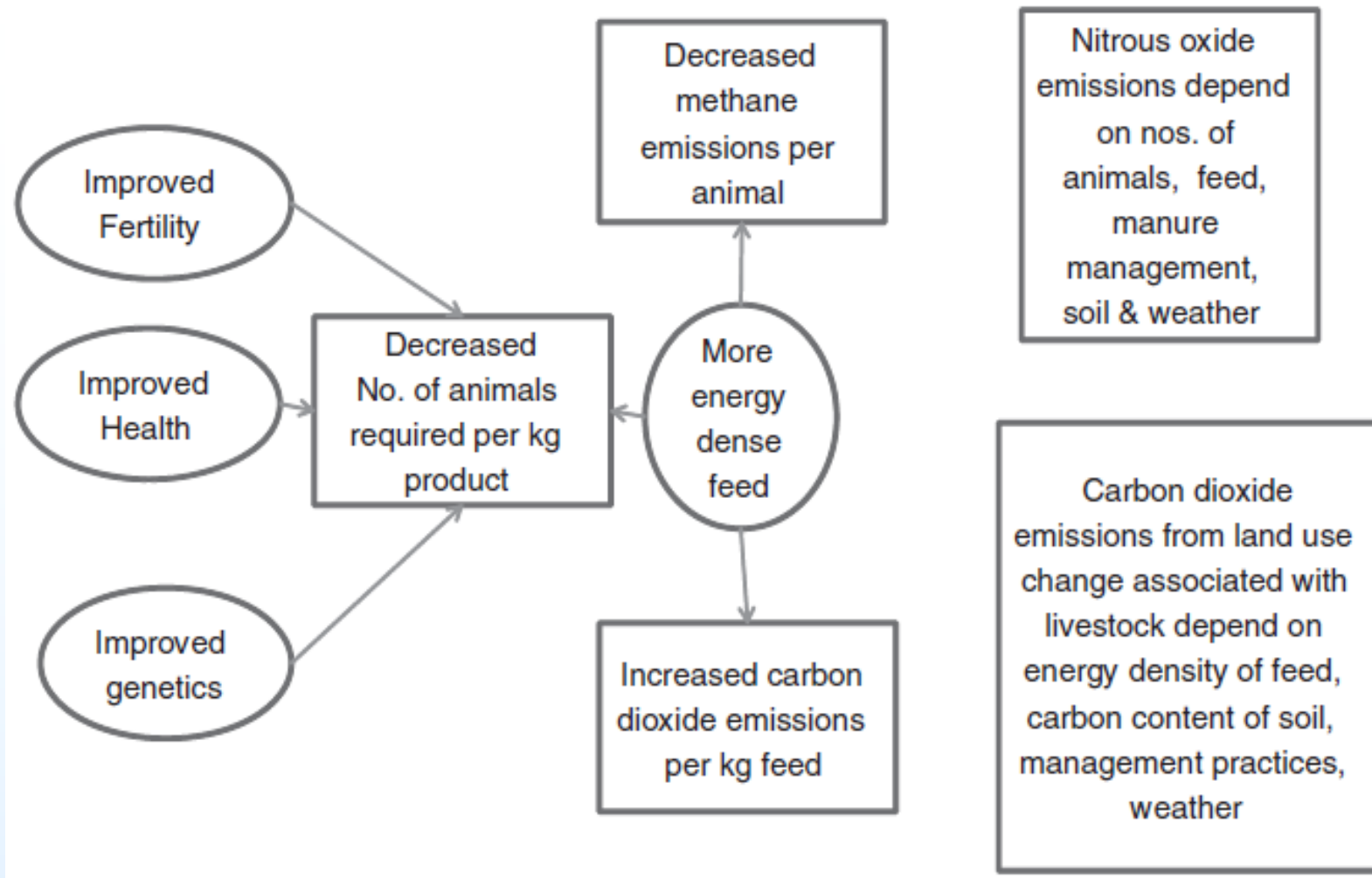


Relationship between total greenhouse gas emissions and milk output per cow





Mitigation: interventions to improve productivity



US Dairy Trends

- In 1950, there were 25 million dairy cows in the US, vs 9 million today
- With 16 million fewer cows (1950 vs 2018), milk production nationally has increased 60 percent
- The carbon footprint of a glass of milk is 2/3 smaller today than it was 70 years ago

Methane Enteric Emission Research



Manure Methane Benchmarking Research







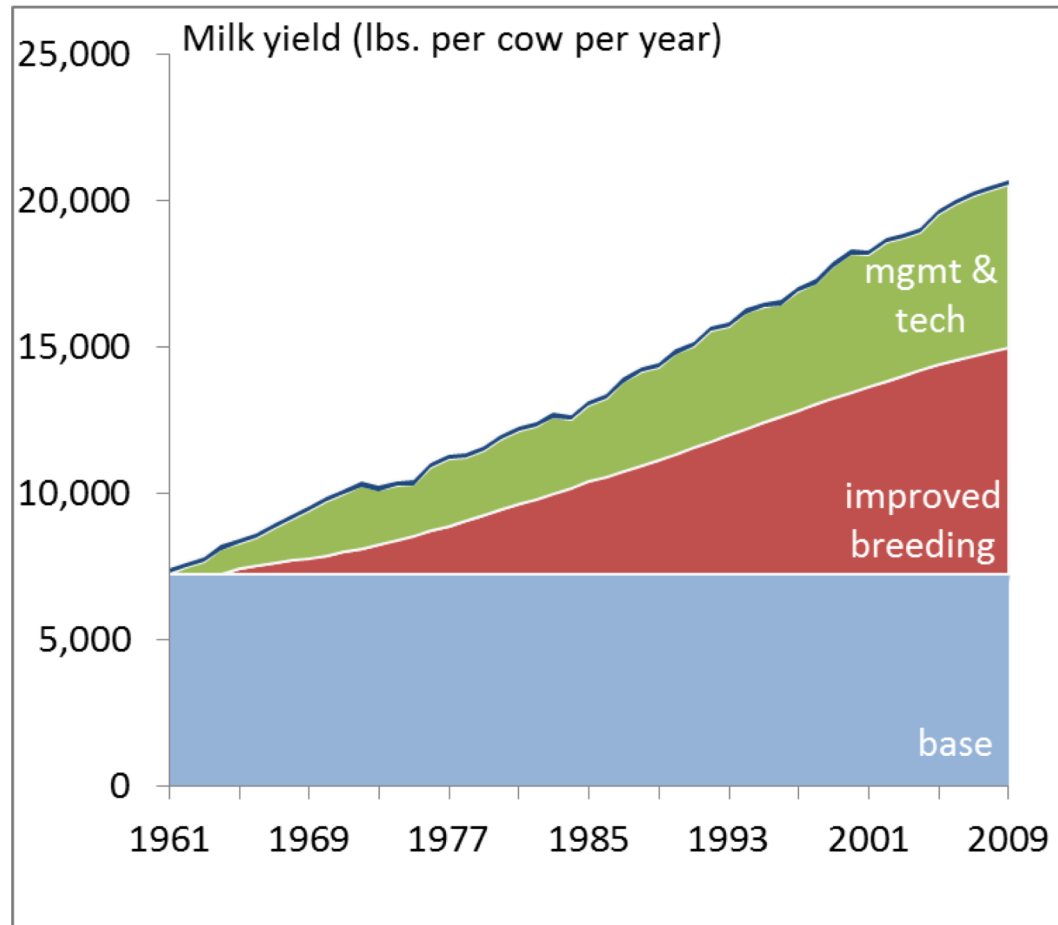


Good for Animals

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Innovation is the Historical Driver of U.S. Productivity and Reduced Environmental Impact

U.S. yield increase: 1961-2009



- Milk production per cow in the U.S. has increased 280 lbs. per year since 1961
- The increase was driven by *innovation* (dairy cow breeding, housing, management, feeding)
- American dairy farmers improved milk (food) production while using less natural resources thus protecting the environment

USDA-NASS, http://www.nass.usda.gov/Data_and_Statistics/Quick_Stats_1.0/index.asp, Last accessed 25OCT10
USDA-ARS-AIPL, <http://aipl.arsusda.gov/eval/summary/trend.cfm>, Last accessed 26,OCT10



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FARM Animal Care Program



Farmers
Assuring
Responsible
Management

~98% of U.S. milk comes
from farms participating in
the FARM Program



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Dairy Cows Contribute to the Nutrient Cycle of the Food System

Honoring the Harvest is about how we work together to use food with good purpose, so it's never wasted.

That means ensuring all people have access to nutrient-rich foods and also utilizing parts of food people can't or won't eat by moving nutrients through food systems – from people, to animals and back to the land to grow more food sustainably – rather than going to a landfill. We all have a role to support this cycle and build sustainable food systems that benefit people, communities and the planet.

Learn how the dairy community contributes to a natural nutrient cycle.



Cows Have Specific Nutrient Needs Based on Life Stage

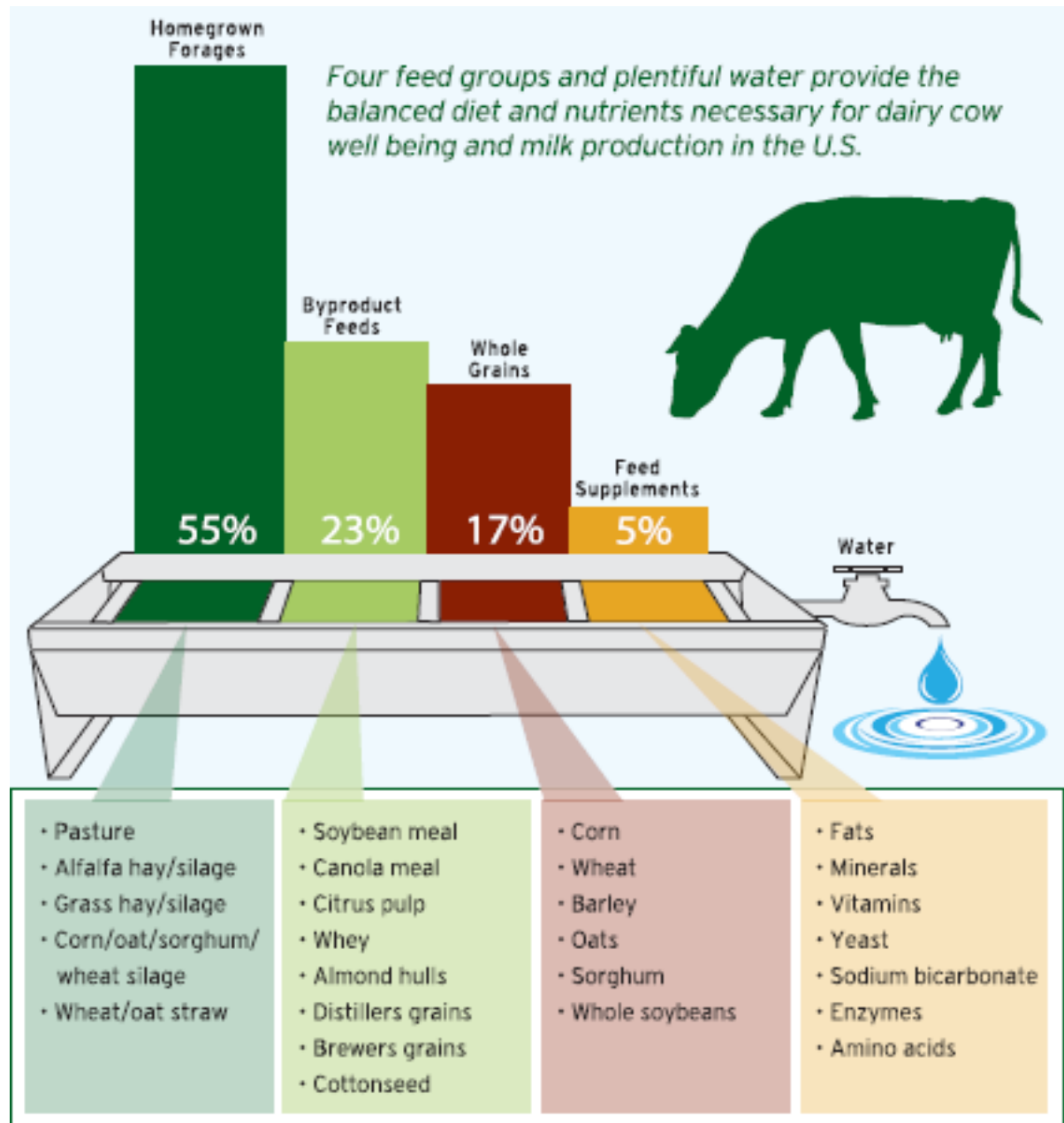


Customized Cow Nutrition



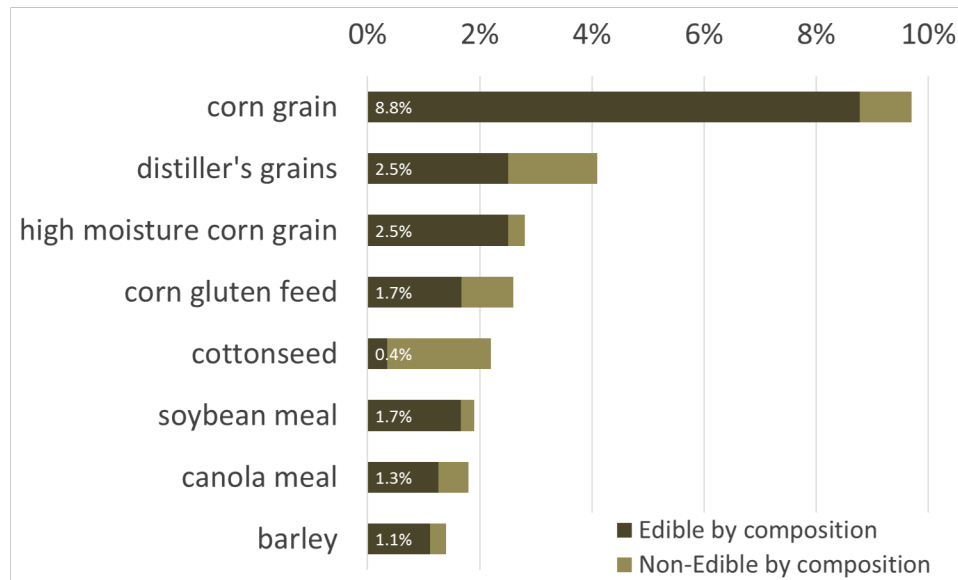
- ✓ Start with analysis of available forages
 - Dairy cows require fiber to ensure rumen function
- ✓ Forages or roughage are coarse or bulky feeds
 - Whole plants including leaves and stems
 - High fiber content (30% and above)
- ✓ Concentrates included to provide balance; they are concentrated sources of energy, protein or other nutrients
- ✓ Use software to balance the diet
 - Match nutrient supply to specific nutrient requirements for each animal class





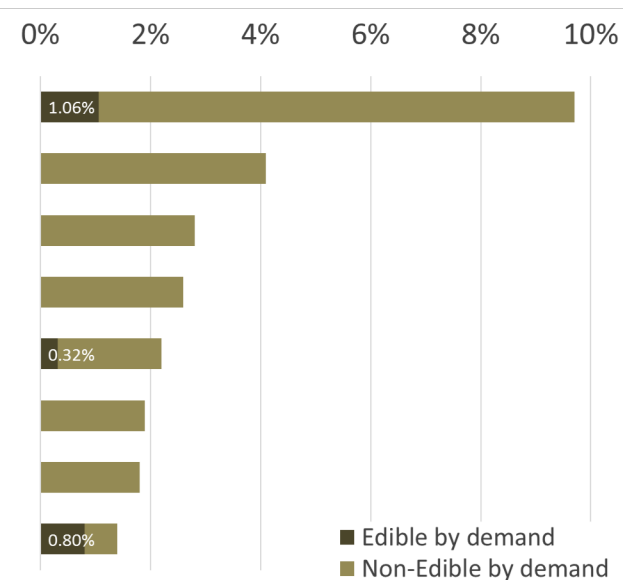
Cows and People are Not Competing for Food

**FACT: 20% of what cows eat
could be eaten by people**



Excludes fiber (human-indigestible) and ingredients with more than 30% fiber

Reality: Only 2% **is eaten by people
based on food industry demand**



Reflects food industry's response to consumer preferences and eating habits



Balancing Tradeoffs - Key to Sustaining Healthy People and a Healthy Planet

PNAS modeling study compared nutritional adequacy and greenhouse gas emissions from least-cost diets with and without animals

- 23% increase in total U.S. food supply, but mostly from corn and soybeans
- Need to eat more food to meet nutrient requirements due to the lower essential nutrient density in plant-based foods available
- Greater excess calories eaten by people
- Deficiencies in essential nutrients —calcium, vitamins A and B12, and arachidonic, EPA and DHA fatty acids
- Plant-only diets unable to support the nutritional needs without nutrient supplementation
- Only 2.6% reduction in total U.S. greenhouse gas emissions

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1707322114>



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Nourishing Cows = Nourishing People

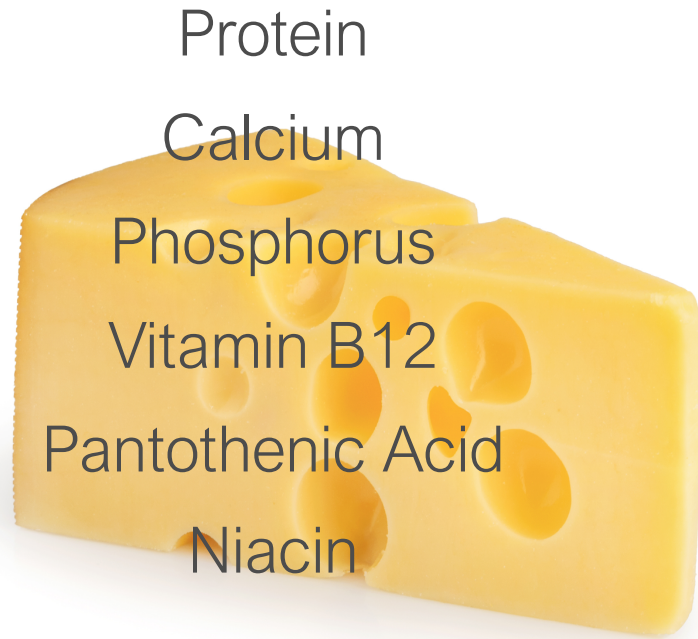
- Dairy cows' diets are primarily made up of foods people can't eat
- Dairy cows turn plants and by-products into high-quality protein, nutrient-rich milk to nourish people, because of their unique, 4-chambered stomach and digestive process
- Dairy cows make a net positive contribution to the food supply through milk and dairy foods in the United States



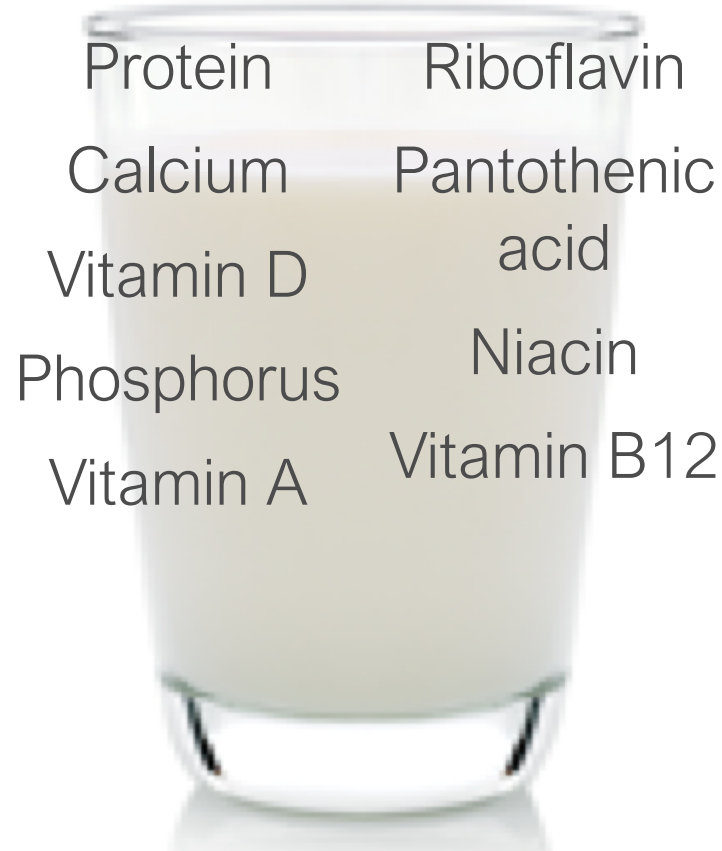
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Cheese:
6 essential
nutrients



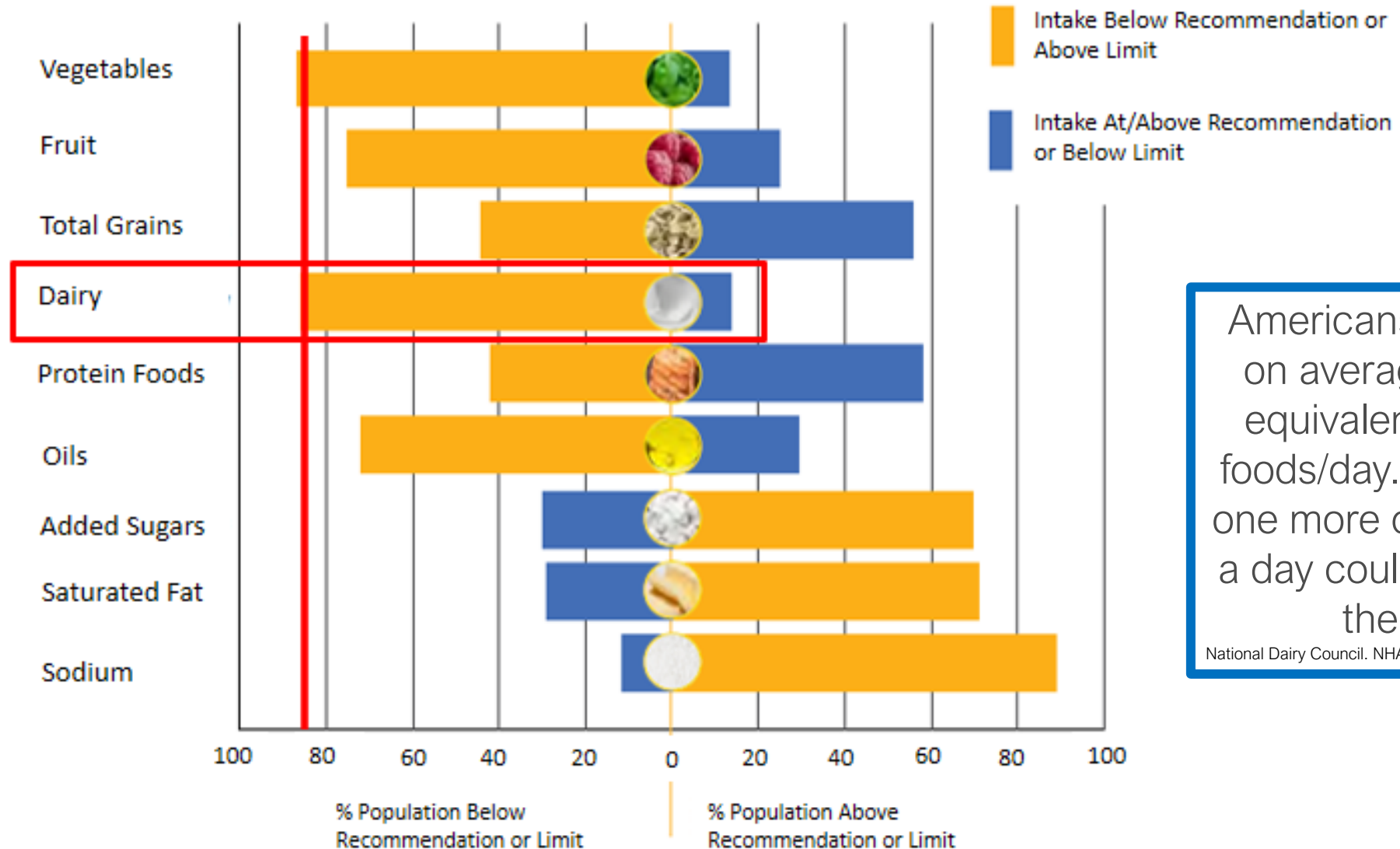
Milk:
9 essential
nutrients



Yogurt:
7 essential
nutrients



Nearly 9 in 10 Americans Fall Short on Dairy Recommendations



Americans consume, on average, ≤ 2 cup equivalents of dairy foods/day. Adding just one more dairy serving a day could help close the gap.

National Dairy Council. NHANES 2011-2014.

2015-2020 Dietary Guidelines for Americans
Dietary Intakes Compared to Recommendations. Percent of US Population Ages 1 & Older Who Are Below, At or Above Each Dietary Goal



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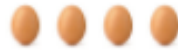
3 Servings of Milk Deliver a Unique Nutrient Package



Three servings of milk provide the same level of nutrients found in these foods

PROTEIN

50% DV



4 large (50 g) hardboiled eggs

CALCIUM

70% DV



approx. 17 cups of raw kale

PHOSPHORUS

60% DV



approx. 3 cups of cooked red kidney beans

VITAMIN B₁₂

140% DV



approx. 1 lb of pork chops

RIBOFLAVIN (B₂)

100% DV



0.8 cups of whole almonds

PANTOTHENIC ACID (B₅)

50% DV



approx. 5 cups of chopped broccoli

VITAMIN A

45% DV



approx. 3 cups of sliced red peppers

VITAMIN D

45% DV



6.5 oz of sardines (approx. 15 sardines)

NIACIN (B₃)

35% DV



approx. six large white mushrooms

“... the amount of many potential alternatives to provide sufficient calcium would provide too many calories and/or be a large amount to consume daily.”

“...bioavailability of the calcium in vegetable products has not been addressed and could pose a concern.”

2010 Dietary Guidelines
Advisory Committee
Report. Appendix E3.6

<https://www.nationaldairycouncil.org/content/2018/three-servings-of-milk-deliver-a-unique-nutrient-package>

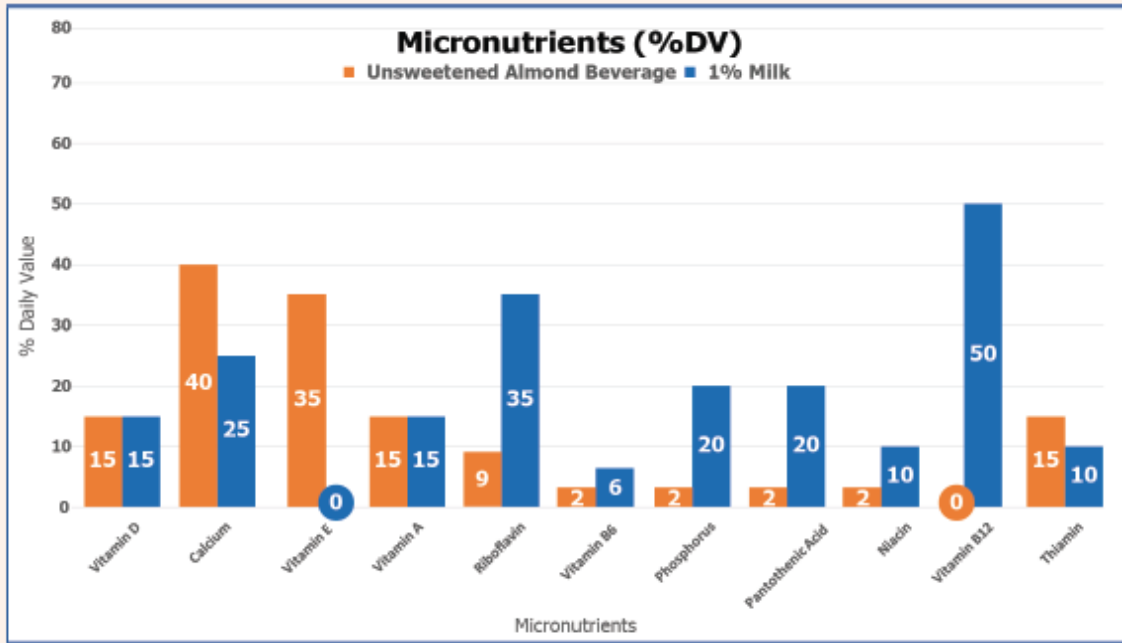


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Good/Excellent Source

Unsweetened Almond:
6 essential nutrients*

Milk:
9 essential nutrients
including protein*

Sodium

Unsweetened Almond:
190 mg

1% Milk:
105 mg

Low-fat milk: USDA NND SRR28 #01082. Alternative product: USDA NND SRR28 #14091

*New %DV conversions were done to align with the Final Rule: Revision of the Nutrition and Supplement Facts Labels for nutrients available on product Nutrition Facts panel

Visit [nationaldairycouncil.org](https://www.nationaldairycouncil.org) for
flashcards on cow's milk
and dairy alternative beverages



Nutritional Profile of Milk Compared to Unsweetened Almond Beverage

Calories

Unsweetened Almond

40
calories

1% Milk

100
calories

Ingredients

1% Milk: 3 ingredients
Lowfat Milk, Vitamin A
Palmitate, Vitamin D3

**Unsweetened Almond:
14 ingredients****
Almondmilk (Filtered Water,
Almonds), Natural Flavor,
Sea Salt, Locust Bean Gum,
Sunflower Lecithin, Gellan Gum,
Calcium Carbonate, Vitamin
E Acetate, Zinc Gluconate,
Vitamin A Palmitate, Riboflavin
(B2), Vitamin B12, Vitamin D2

Macronutrients***

Per 8 oz.	Unsweetened Almond	1% Milk
Total Fat (g)	2.9	2.4
Saturated Fat (g)	0	1.5
Carbohydrate (g)	2	12
Sugars (g)	0	12
Added Sugar* (g)	0	0
Protein (g)	2	8

*Added sugar for alternatives was calculated based on comparison to 8 fl oz Unsweetened variety of each product

**Based on review of USDA NND SRR28 #45136688. All of these ingredients are safe for consumption

*** Nutrient composition based on USDA NND SRR28 #01082 and NND SRR28 #14091

Did You Know?

Milk contains 9 essential
nutrients. Only vitamin A and D
are added to milk.

<https://www.nationaldairycouncil.org/content/2018/how-milk-compares-to-various-plant-based-alternative-beverages>



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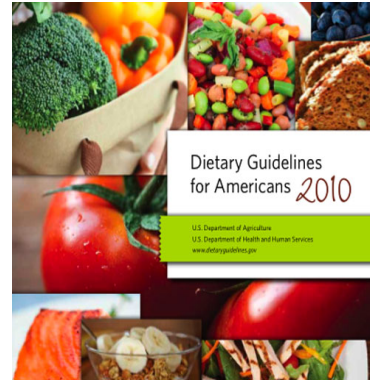
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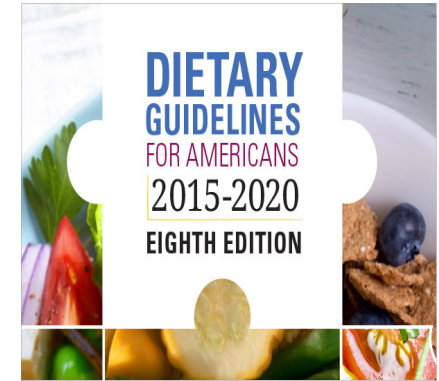
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2005, 2010, 2015 Dietary Guidelines Recommend 3 Daily Servings of Dairy Foods for Those ≥ 9 years



“Moderate evidence also indicates that intake of milk and milk products is associated with a reduced risk of cardiovascular disease and type 2 diabetes and with lower blood pressure in adults.”

2010 Dietary Guidelines Advisory
Committee Report



“Consumption of dairy foods provides numerous health benefits, including lower risk of diabetes, metabolic syndrome, cardiovascular disease and obesity.”

2015 Dietary Guidelines Advisory
Committee Report



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Growing Evidence: Dairy Food Consumption has a Neutral or Beneficial Association with Reduced Risk for Chronic Diseases

Type of Studies		Total # studies (published 2009-2015)	55
Dairy and Cardiovascular Disease			
3	Meta-Analysis/Systematic Reviews	✓✓✓	
15	Prospective Cohort studies	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓	
0	Trials		
Dairy and Blood Pressure			
2	Meta-Analysis/Systematic Reviews	✓✓	
6	Prospective Cohort studies	✓✓✓✓✓✓	
10	Trials	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓	
Dairy and Type 2 Diabetes			
5	Meta-Analysis/Systematic Reviews	✓✓✓✓✓	
14	Prospective Cohort studies	✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓	
0	Trials		



Plant-based in Perspective

2015-2020 Dietary Guidelines For Americans Dietary Patterns are
Plant-Based and Incorporate Animal Foods



Healthy
US-style
Pattern

3 servings LF/FF
dairy foods per
day

Healthy
Vegetarian
Pattern

3 servings LF/FF
dairy foods per
day

Healthy
Mediterranean-
style Pattern

2 servings LF/FF
dairy foods per
day

Dairy 3 → 2 cup eq/day
Seafood 8 → 16 oz eq/wk

https://health.gov/dietaryguidelines/2015/resources/2015-2020_Dietary_Guidelines.pdf



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Plant + Animal Foods = Improved Nutrient Intakes

NHANES Modeling Study
N=17,387, ≥ 2 years

“Specific recommendations to increase low fat and nonfat dairy foods in conjunction to increasing healthy plant-based foods will help to close some of the nutrient gaps currently present among Americans of all ages.”

Modeling Scenario	Improved Intakes	Insufficient Intakes
Double usually consumed plant-based foods	Magnesium Iron Folate Vitamin C Vitamin E	Calcium* Protein Vitamin A Vitamin D*
Double milk, cheese, yogurt	Calcium* Vitamin D* Vitamin A Protein Magnesium	

Cifelli et al. Nutrients 2016

*NDC sponsored study

* = Nutrient of Public Health Concern



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