

Factory Farming and Animal Rights

Factory farming or industrial agriculture is a process of food and fiber production that make use of animals and the environment. It helps the sellers to provide the lower costs of food for consumers as it has the mass production of crops and livestock. Factory farming is an extremely controversial issue between animal rights advocates, farmers, environmentalists and companies. The effects of factory farming have both negative and positive views for everyone.

The way of factory farming has been developing well through the past century and continues to a larger scale.

Factory farming depends on the use of antibiotics, vitamins, fertilizers and pesticides. For this reason it makes it achievable to produce more animals and crops by avoiding the natural conditions that they would normally need to survive and thrive. As an example, the use of antibiotics and vitamins allows many animals to be confine in a smaller area where normally disease would run out of control. In addition, the use of fertilizers allows the farm to grow many crops as they want providing that the land will be unproductive.

Other than these conditions, the time and cost of production is lowered so it is an advantage for sellers. Proponents of industrial agriculture argues that this industry is brilliant for the economy, create more job opportunities, less environmental impact since production is greater and land use is lower.

However, the opponents of factory farming believe that this way of production of food is cruel and inhumane life for livestock. Animals are also abused in terrible ways; they are overcrowded which do not allow them to have room to move around.

As a conclusion, for supporting factory farming and against it have both reasonable ways. It can be harmful and disturbing when you have been to the factory farm but not everyone is a vegetarian so that is it difficult to choose to against or supporting the effects of factory farming.

Questions:

1. What animals have you eaten ?
2. Why pigs can be eaten but dogs can' t ?
3. Do you agree if we eat the dogs instead of the pigs or the chicken ?
4. Which one will you choose, expensive eggs from humane conditions or cheap eggs from neglectful masters ? Why ?
5. Would you mind your mother always buy a cheap and unhealthy food ?
6. What will you do to promote animal right for poultry ?
7. What advantages does factory farming have ?
8. What disadvantages does factory farming have ?
9. If there is only unhealthy factory farming, will you keep eating the pork, chicken and beef or be a vegetarian ?
10. Be honestly, If you were farmer, will you choose to earn more money or be good at your animals ? why ?