



SUSTAINABILITY AT TYSON FOODS ROOTED IN TRADITION, GROWING RESPONSIBLY

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Conservation, pollution prevention, and stewardship are some of the terms we use to describe our responsibility for and commitment to protecting and respecting the environment. At Tyson Foods, we endeavor to operate our business in an environmentally responsible manner while minimizing our environmental footprint.

- As of December 2008, all Tyson Foods' facilities in the United States and Mexico have implemented Environmental, Health, and Safety Management Systems. The environmental portion of this system fulfills the requirements set forth in International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001. As such, each facility has developed and implemented environmental procedures and controls that align with the requirements of 14001.
- Our water conservation efforts, along with several facility closures, have led to a water usage reduction of 7.6 percent since October 2004, which is equivalent to a 13.9 percent reduction in the number of gallons used per pound of finished product. The company has set a goal to reduce water consumption by 10 percent over a two-year period, as compared to its water usage levels at the end of fiscal year 2008.
- Tyson Foods' climate-change efforts include: (1) becoming a partner in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Climate Leaders™ program in 2004; (2) completion of a comprehensive carbon footprint inventory for domestic operations; (3) public disclosure of our carbon footprint since our baseline year of 2004; (4) operation of covered anaerobic wastewater lagoons at six of our food processing facilities, four of which have biogas systems using the methane generated as boiler fuel; (5) creating and trading carbon off-set credits in the voluntary carbon market; (6) preparation for compliance with EPA's mandatory Greenhouse Gas reporting rule, with the first report due in 2011; and (7) serving as an EPA SmartWay® Partner as both a shipper and carrier.
- An important part of our environmental efforts is to continue to reduce the amount of solid waste we send to the landfill and to increase the amount of materials recycled year-over-year. Tyson Foods generated 164,073 tons of landfill solid waste in fiscal year 2008 and 143,564 tons in fiscal year 2009, representing a 12.5 percent decrease from 2008 to 2009. We recycled 31,080 tons of Old Corrugated Containers (OCC) and plastics during fiscal year 2008 and 29,615 tons during fiscal year 2009, a 4.7 percent decrease from 2008 to 2009.
- An often-overlooked element of a food product is its packaging. At Tyson Foods, our first packaging priority is to ensure the wholesomeness, safety, and shelf-life of our products. We also recognize the importance of reducing packaging waste as well as the use of non-renewable materials in packaging content. Our Packaging Applications Team, in collaboration with packaging supply partners, is committed to reducing the environmental impact of our packaging while ensuring the safety of our products. For example, Tyson Foods' corrugated supply partner is a member of the Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI®) program, and we use only SFI® standard certified corrugated packaging. At least 94 percent of the boxes we use for product shipment are recyclable.



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