



## **DISTILLERS GRAINS TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL**

*“Increasing the awareness of the value of  
Distillers Grains”*



# 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Distillers Grains Symposium – Welcome & Overview –

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# Welcome!



# Brief Outline

- Distillers Grains Technology Council
- Historical perspectives
- Coproducts in 2021
- Challenges and opportunities
- 2021 Symposium Overview

# Distillers Grains Technology Council

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Member-driven organization



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## DISTILLERS GRAINS

A nutritious feed ingredient.

Increasing the awareness of the value of distillers grains.

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Welcome to Distillers Grains Technology Council

# What Do We Do?

- **Our Mission**

The goals of our organization encompass a broad interest in current issues affecting the beverage, fuel, and livestock industries

- **Service Support**

To provide educational and technical services to member producers and users of distillers grains

- **Advocacy**

To be the principle voice on nutrition, safety, and regulatory issues affecting distillers grains

- **Market Development**

To encourage, administer, and support research and promotion into new and existing market opportunities for distillers grains, and advancing the awareness of coproduct value

# What Do We Do?

- Yearly symposium
- Other conferences & trade shows
- Educational papers & publications
- FDA / AAFCO / GIPSA
  - Meetings
  - Written comments on proposed Federal Regulations
- Provide support to
  - Fuel ethanol companies
  - Beverage companies
  - Livestock producers
- News feed to FULL MEMBERS
- Quarterly Board meetings
- Literature library going back to late 1800s

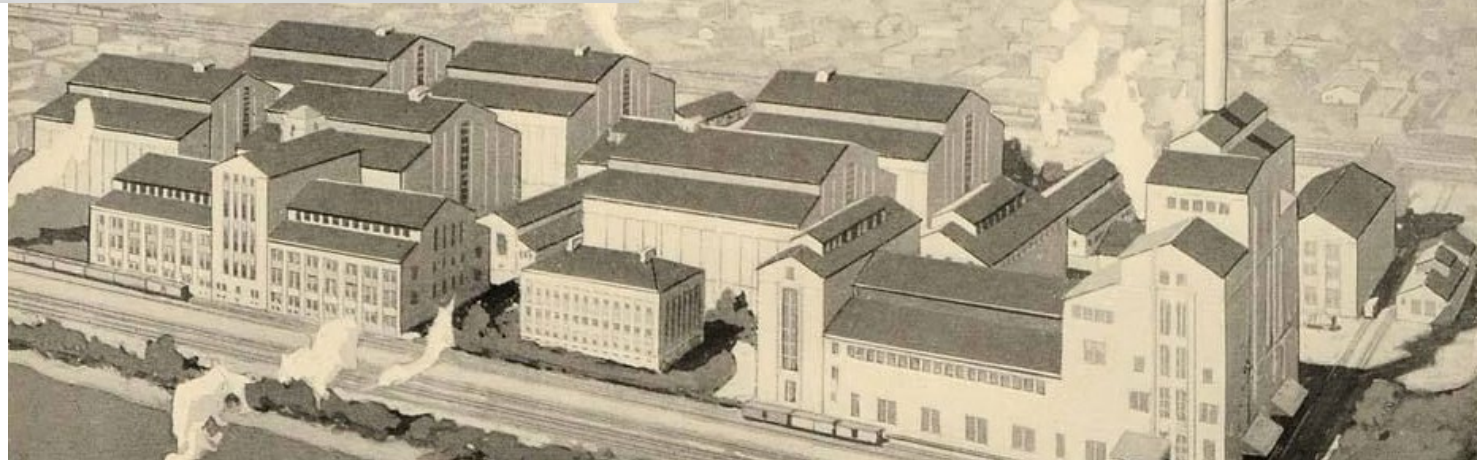


# Historical Perspectives

Seagram's



Hiram Walker & Sons



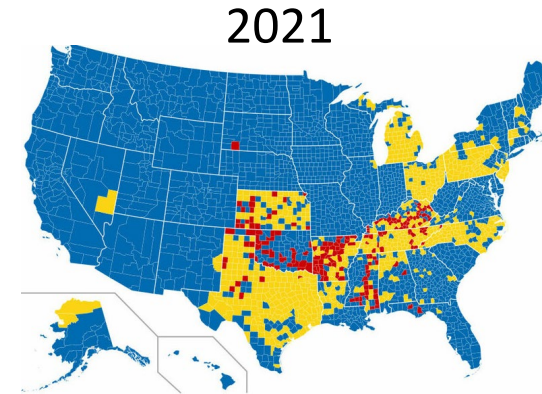
DGTC has worked with beverage, fuel, and livestock industries > 75 years (began in 1945)

# Distillers Grains Technology Council

- Late 1800s
  - Distillers coproducts increasingly used in animal feeds (not rivers anymore) due to state environmental regulations

- 1913
  - First AAFCO definition for DDGS
  - Exports to Europe occurring

- 1945
  - Seagram's Distillers Corporation & Hiram Walker & Sons hosted a meeting of industry, university and government attendees to discuss feed uses of distillery coproducts
  - Distillers Feed Research Council founded
    - Cincinnati, OH
    - Feeding trials, research, annual symposium



Prohibition:

1920: 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment

1933: 21<sup>st</sup> Amendment

1966: all states fully repealed



# Coproducts in 2021



## **A typical corn ethanol fuel plant**

Annually:

- 47 million bushels of corn
- 130 million gallons of denatured ethanol
- 480,000 tons of coproducts

# 2021

# Fermentation Products

## Theoretical Yields

1 kg glucose = 0.51 kg ethanol  
+ 0.49 kg carbon dioxide

## Practical Yields

90 – 95% of theoretical  
+ yeast cell mass  
+ secondary products

### Anecdotally:

1 lb corn =  
1/3 lb ethanol  
+ 1/3 lb CO<sub>2</sub>  
+ 1/3 lb DDGS

1 bu corn =  
2.8 gal ethanol  
+ 18 lb CO<sub>2</sub>  
+ 17 lb DDGS

# Evolving Processes



## Now:

1 bu corn =

2.8 gal ethanol

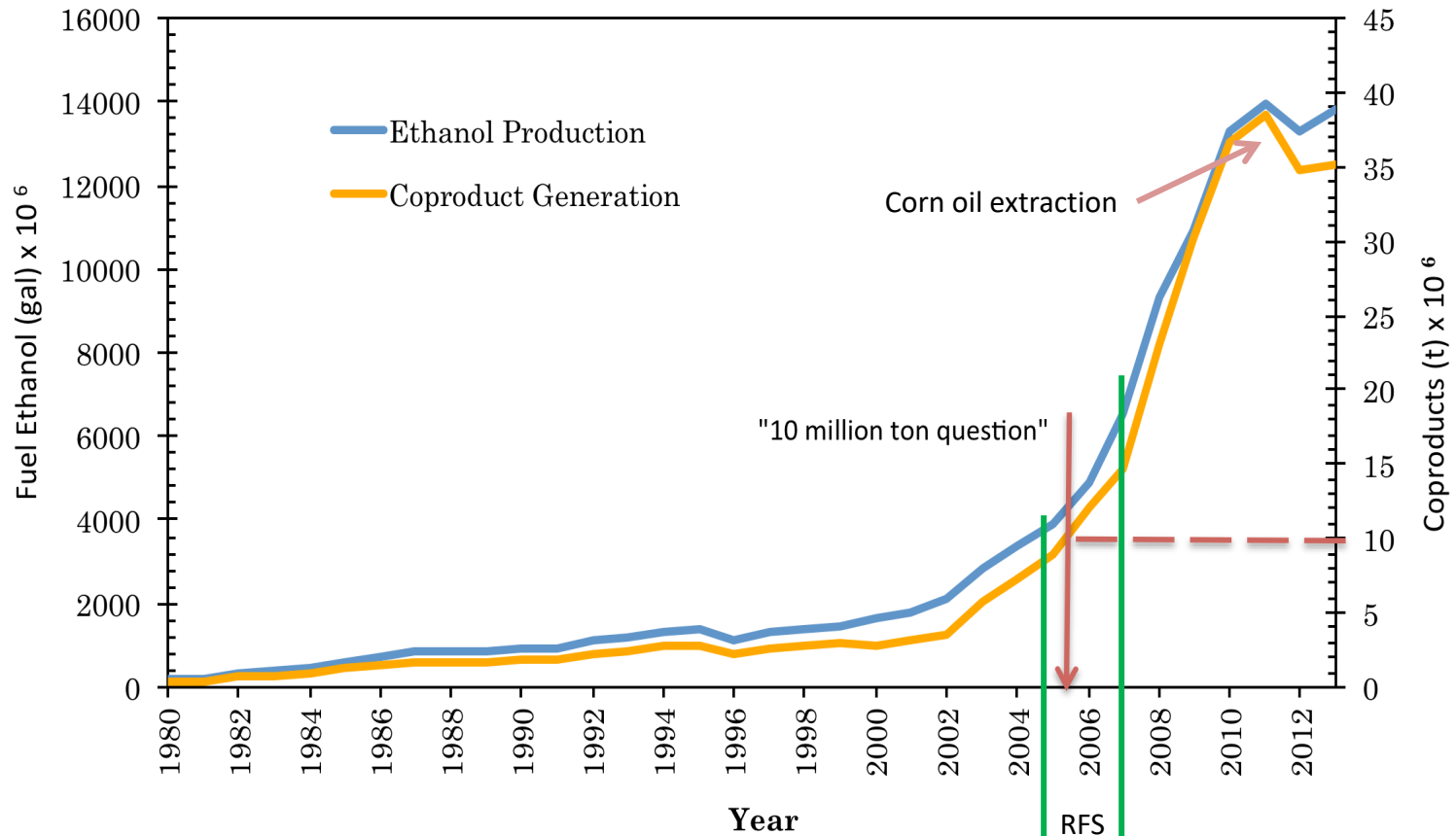
+ 18 lb CO<sub>2</sub>

+ 16 lb DDGS + 1 lb oil

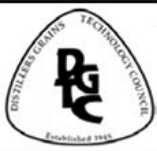
What we do impacts livestock producers



# Fuel Ethanol Growth



Growth of U.S. fuel ethanol industry



## Distillers & Biorefinery Products - February 2021

### Dried Distillers Grain Products

Industry Name	Common Analysis (As Fed)			Current AAFCO Definition	General Description
	%Protein	%Fat	% Crude Fiber		
DDGS	23-36	3-9	<14	27.6, 27.8	Distillers grains with condensed distillers solubles with a portion of oil removed. Can be in dry or wet form (dry form common analysis displayed).
Full Fat DDGS	21-34	8-12	<14	27.6, 27.8	Distillers grains with condensed distillers solubles. No oil has been removed. Can be in dry or wet form (dry form common analysis displayed).
Deoiled DDGS	26-36	<3	<14	27.9	Solvent extracted DDGS.
DDGS with Bran	23-36	3-16	<14	27.6, 27.8, 48.2	DDGS mixed with bran separated by plant prior to fermentation. Can be in dry or wet form (dry form common analysis displayed).
DDGS Mechanically Separated	24-48	3-8	<14	27.5, 27.4	Post distillation residual whole stillage resulting from the mechanical separation of fiber and protein. Contains condensed distillers solubles.
DDG	24-35	4-8	<14	27.5	Distillers grain. May have a portion of oil removed. Does not contain condensed distillers solubles.
HiPro DDG	36-48	4-6	<12	27.5	Distillers grain. Portion of fiber and oil removed which concentrates protein. Does not contain condensed distillers solubles.

### Other Distillers Products

Industry Name	Common Analysis (As Fed)			Current AAFCO Definition	General Description
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Syrup (CDS)	5-25	3-23	0-4	27.7	Condensed thin stillage.
Distillers Yeast	40-55	0-8	0-6	96.5	Inactive <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> yeast removed from the process stream after fermentation either before or after distillation.
	%Total Fatty Acids	%Unsaponifiable Matter	%Insoluble Impurities		
Distillers Oil	>85	<2.5	<1	33.10	Oil removed by centrifugation from the condensed distillers solubles stream or by solvent extraction of DDGS.

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## High Fiber Distillers Products

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Bran/Fiber with Syrup	18-28	4-9	15-20	48.2, 27.7	Bran separated by plant prior to fermentation mixed with condensed distillers solubles. Can be in dry or wet form (dry form common analysis displayed).
Fermented Fiber Mechanically Separated	<24	2-7	10-20	27.5, 27.4	Post distillation mechanical separation of the whole stillage resulting in a concentration of fiber. Does not contain distillers solubles unless listed.

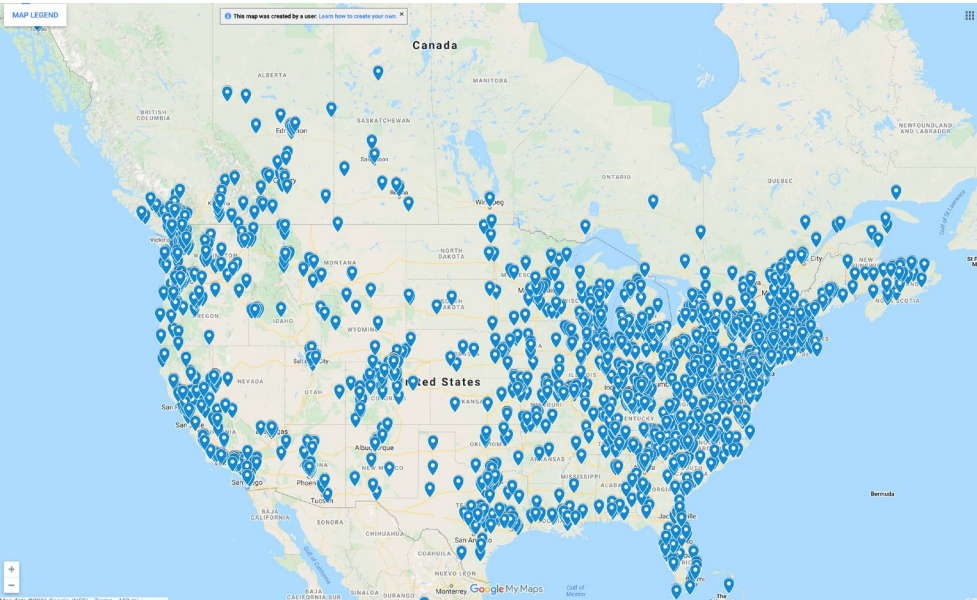
## Fermented Protein Products

Industry Name	Common Analysis (As Fed)			Current AAFCO Definition	General Description
	%Protein	%Fat	% Crude Fiber		
Fermented Protein	48+	3-8	<8	27.5	Portions of fiber and oil removed by concentrating residual grain and yeast proteins by methods commonly used in distilling industry. Contains concentrated spent yeast products. Does not contain condensed distillers solubles unless listed.
Fermented Protein Mechanically Separated	48+	1-5	<8	27.5	Post distillation separation of protein from the whole stillage, utilizing only mechanical separation. Will contain spent yeast products, no non-mechanical methods utilized post distillation. Does not contain distillers solubles unless listed.

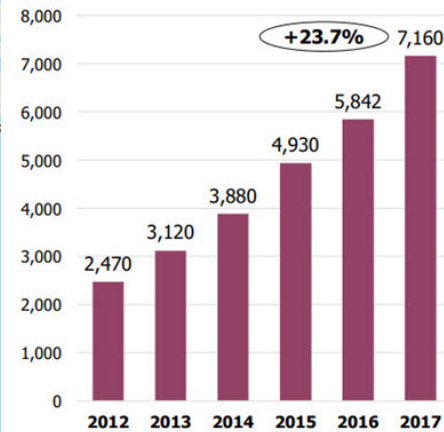
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# Distilled Spirits Growth



**Craft Spirits Sales by Volume, 2012 – 2017**  
9L Cases (000)



**Craft Spirits Retail Sales by Value, 2012 – 2017**  
\$ Billions



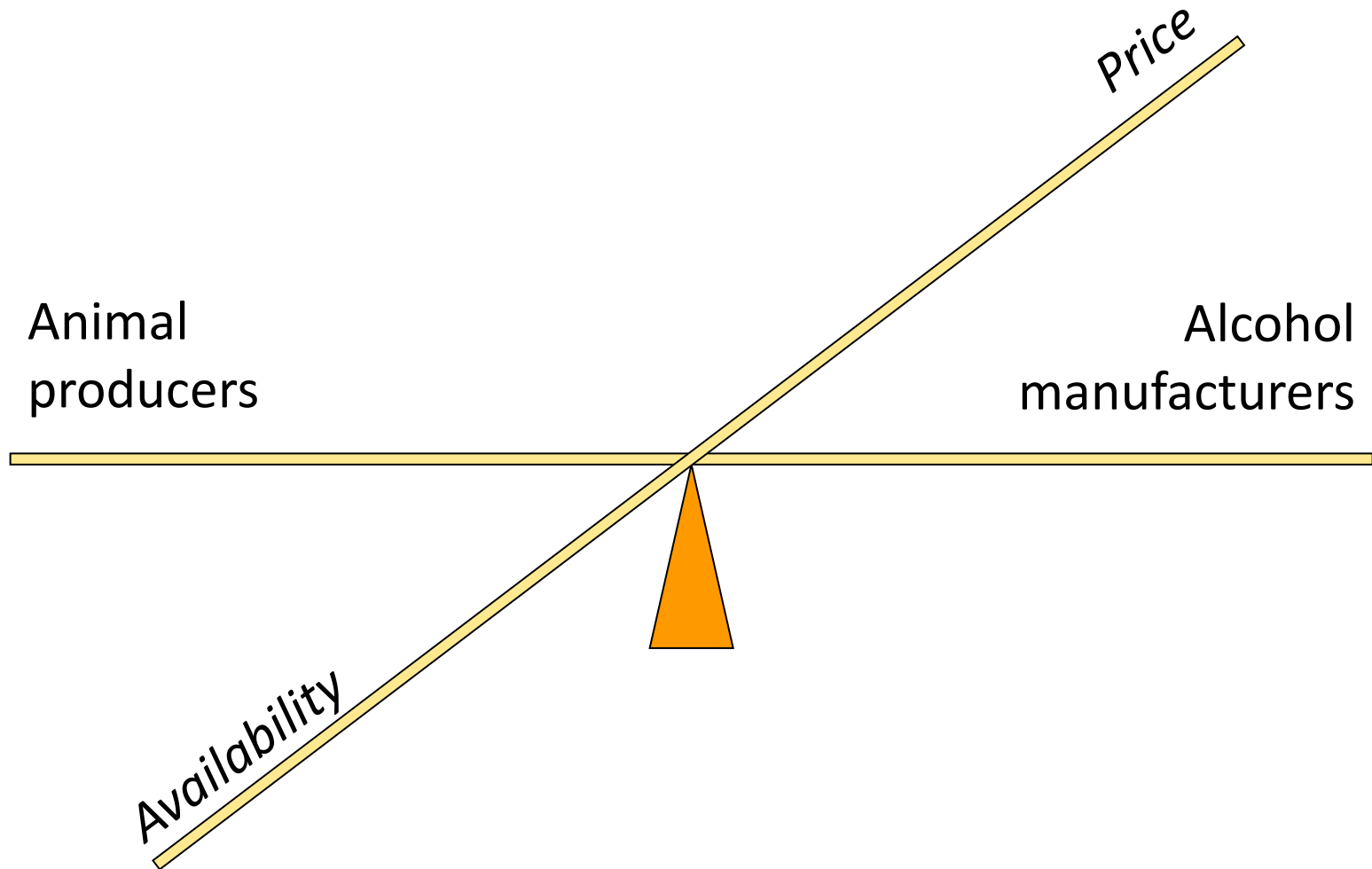
Sources: TTB, ACSA, IWSR, State ABC Boards, State Guilds, Team Analyses © 2018 park street



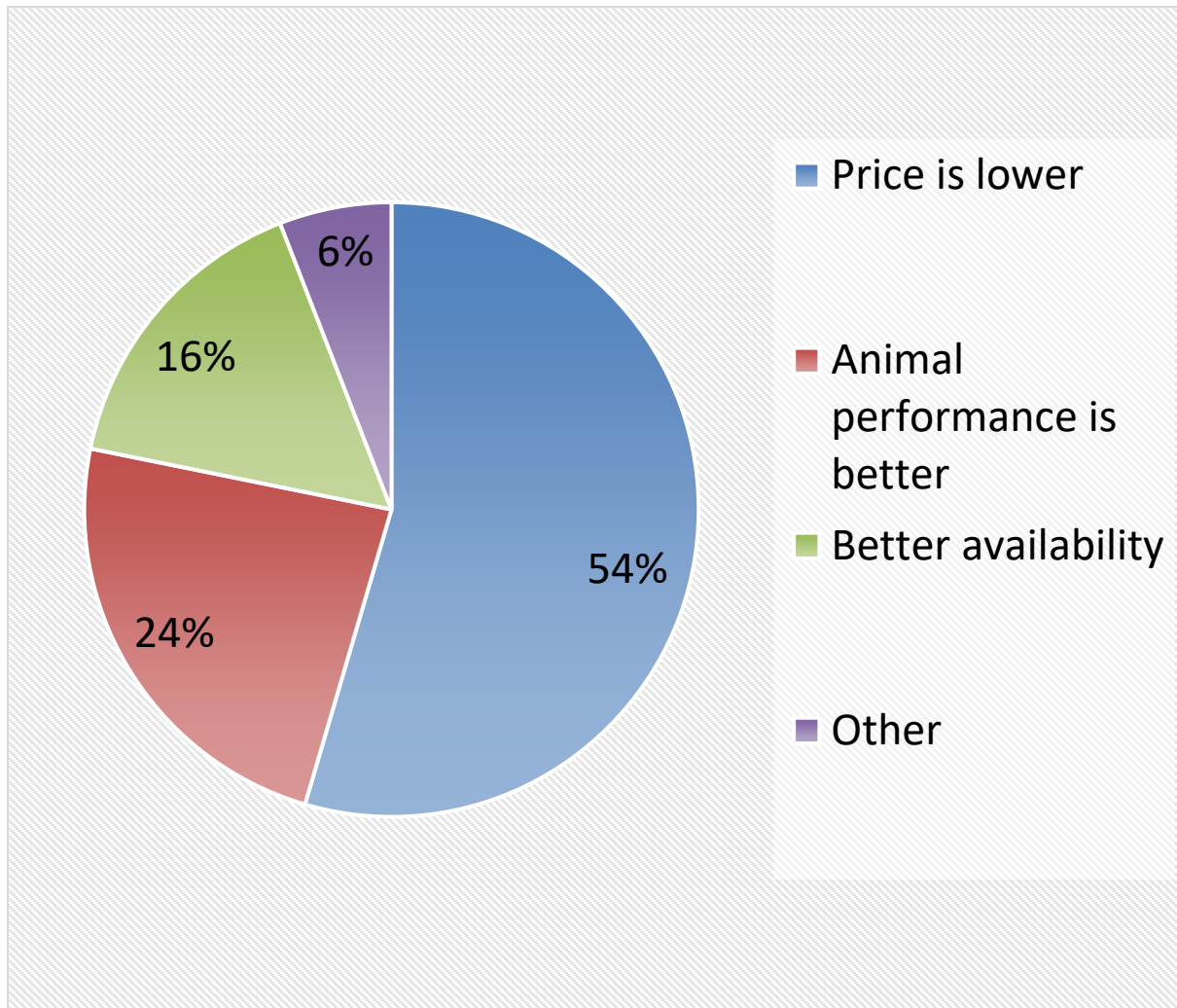
3,300+ Distilleries (Craft Distillers, Craft Blenders, and more): 2050 US and 1250 International Distilleries (Craft Distillers, Craft Blenders, and more), as of Aug 2020 (ADI, 2021)



# Coproduct Quality & Value



# Why do you feed coproducts?



- *54% of those who responded to this question said that the main reason they feed coproducts is price or price related*
- *Response listed as "other" is health benefits*
- *24% said that they feed coproducts due to increased animal performance – this is compatible with the 22% who said that they did in fact see increased animal performance)*



# Challenges and Opportunities

# Some Key Issues

## 2005

- “Mountains of distillers grains”
- Livestock feed
  - Current generation products
  - Next generation products
  - Processed feeds
  - New species
- Standardized grading system
- Sulfur / phosphorous
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2021

- COVID
- FSMA (Food Safety and Modernization Act)
  - Production practices & safety
- Are we capturing the TRUE VALUE from distillers grains?
  - Proteins
  - Fibers
  - Nutraceuticals
- Effects of process evolutions on livestock performance
- We will learn about these and other issues
  - Our speakers are industry leaders

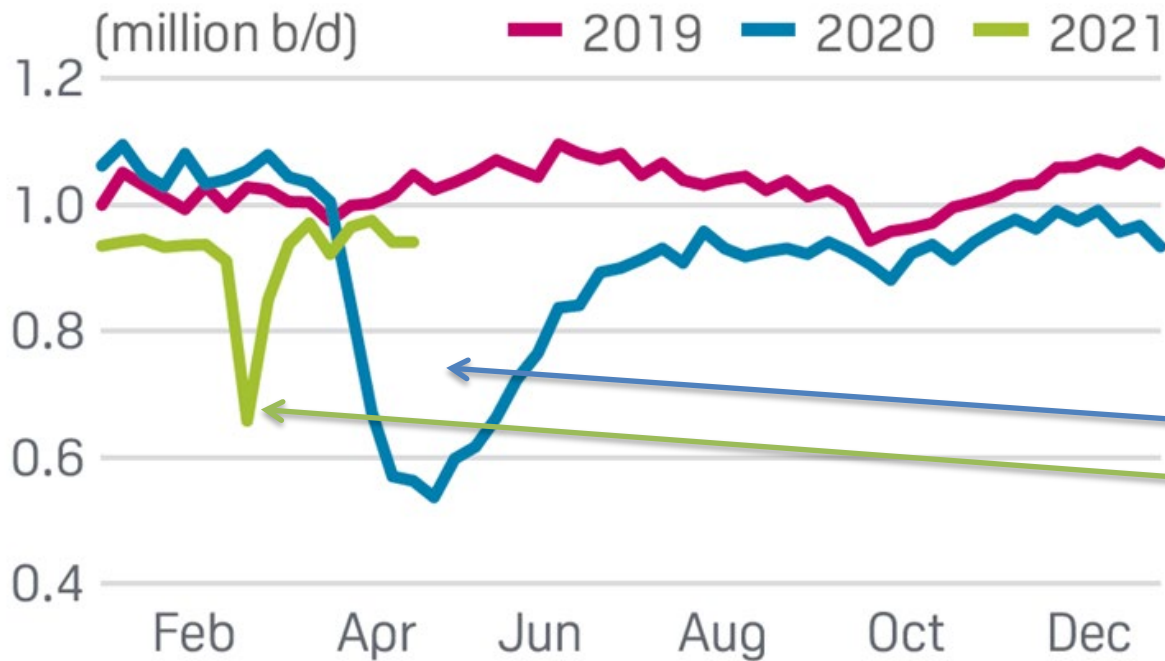
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2021

“No such thing as problems, only opportunities for success.”

P.N., 1998

## US ETHANOL PRODUCTION



- Have to consider the livestock producers
- Esp. supply & demand, competing ingredients

- We really didn't need new "opportunities"

- COVID
- Big Chill

- There are bright spots
  - Hand sanitizer
  - Protein!!!

# 2021 Symposium

- Wide array of topics
  - Markets, economics, domestic, exports
  - Beef, dairy, swine, poultry
  - Processing (upstream and downstream)
  - Regulatory issues
  - Networking opportunities
    - Breaks
    - Lunches
    - Large reception tonight
    - Exhibitors / sponsors
    - Scholarship winners
  - Reverse pitch competition

# 2021 Symposium

- Housekeeping items
  - Please silence your cell phones
  - Rest room locations
  - Trade show / meals
  - Emergency evacuation
  - Parking
  - Speakers, please stay on time

Consider becoming a DGTC member:

- Application forms available at registration desk
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**Thank you!**  
**Enjoy the Symposium!**





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