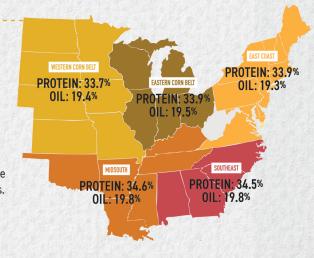
quality applications



COMPOSITION AS SOYBEAN QUALITY

The annual U.S. soybean checkoff-funded quality survey began in 1986. Each October, farmers send samples to be analyzed for protein, key amino acids and oil content by near-infrared reflectance (NIR). The data aid customers worldwide with purchasing decisions. Checkoff investments in production research, including quality, return an average \$9.42.





HANDLING PROTECT QUALITY

Research investigating harvest weed seed control practices, storage time at various moisture levels and countless other cultural practices impact quality as soybeans move from fields to storage facilities to domestic and global customers.



quality [kwol-i-tee] noun character with respect to fineness or grade of excellence

SOYBEAN GRADES AS QUALITY

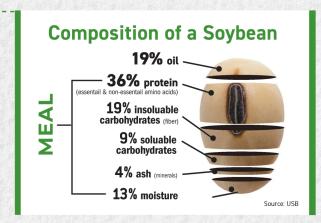
Soybean quality grades 1 through 5 impact profitability. Checkoff-funded research finds digital image processing can improve grading to help grain inspectors grade soybeans more efficiently and consistently. Long-term, the data could help farmers improve variety selection.

quality [kwol-i-tee] noun

producing or providing products or services of high quality or merit

HIGH-QUALITY MEETS GLOBAL CUSTOMER NEEDS

U.S. soybeans provide nutritious meal and oil, excellent functionality and performance. Ongoing genetics and nutrient research improve protein and oil content and component quality. Checkoff-funded research investments to enhance quality **return an average value of \$18.18.**



quality [kwol-i-tee] noun high grade; superiority; excellence



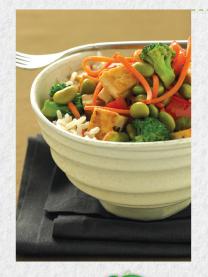
MEAL QUALITY: PROTEIN, ENERGY AND AMINO ACIDS

Checkoff-funded research improves nutritional qualities like protein level, digestibility and amino acid content. A recent meta-analysis quantifies the relationship between country of origin and chemical composition, protein quality and nutritive value of meal. The Nutrient Value Calculator factors in price, protein and more to confirm U.S. soybean meal quality.

quality [kwol-i-tee] noun native excellence or superiority

HIGH OLEIC SOYBEANS:

Research showcases the functionality and versatility of high oleic soybean oil – an oil that provides a sustainable, highly stable oil for the food industry and industrial users. Global regulatory approval adds demand, and ongoing research demonstrates its benefits.



quality [kwol-i-tee] noun
marked by a concentrated expenditure

SOYFOODS: BUYERS DEMAND HIGH QUALITY

Production practices directly impact the quality of specialty soybeans that produce edamame, natto, soymilk, tofu and other products. Checkoff-funded research identifies and improves on best management practices for soybeans destined for food uses.

INFORMATION NETWORK

The Soybean Research and Information Network (SRIN) is a joint effort of the North Central Soybean Research Program and United Soybean Board. The online resource contains checkoff-funded soybean production challenge research findings with direct links to the respective underlying scientific studies housed in the National Soybean Checkoff Research Database.

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