

Go With The Grain.

After a summer spent coming of age on Indiana farms, soybeans and corn are harvested and ready for the journey that will take them from field to market.

Farmers have several options on where their soybeans and corn go next: on-farm storage, a country elevator, a barge terminal, a shuttle elevator, a soybean processor, a corn processor or an ethanol plant. At every step, transportation plays a crucial role in getting grain to market.

Depending on who is buying the soybeans and corn, their paths can be very different. These grains could serve as healthy feed ingredients for livestock, be transformed into foods you might find on grocery store shelves or shipped whole as exports. No matter where they are headed, Indiana's central location and proximity to major road, rail and water systems, including ports on Lake Michigan and the Ohio River, keep Hoosier farmers competitive.

From the combine to point of processing or export, these grains will be safely handled an average of 2.4 times and travel an average distance of 716 miles. 92 million bushels of soybeans, along with 411 million bushels of corn, will be shipped out of state each year. While the majority of these grains leave the state by rail, about 25% will head down the Ohio River to the port of New Orleans, where they will be shipped abroad.

Reliable infrastructure is essential for these grains to reach their destination and to ensure our farmers stay competitive. A small bottleneck due to outdated bridges or locks along a river can incur additional shipping costs and raise prices, not to mention shipping delays and uncertainty about meeting delivery schedules. *To learn more about how soybeans and corn are affected by our infrastructure, flip over this map.*



Grain On The Go.

When soybeans and corn make their journey from field to market, smooth travels are absolutely imperative. Why? Indiana ranks 4th in soybean production and 5th in corn production, meaning over 92 million bushels of soybeans and 411 million bushels of corn are shipped out of state each year. Infrastructure issues can create major economic repercussions for Indiana's economy.

ROADS



- There are **95,679 MILES** of roadways in Indiana.
- **COUNTY ROADS** are often used for the first and last leg of the journey from field to market.

- If a road is closed and a truck is forced to take a **20-MILE DETOUR** with a diesel price of **\$4 PER GALLON**, the price of beans would increase by **4 CENTS** per bushel.

RAILWAYS

- Indiana is home to **5,168 MILES** of railroad track.

- Of the **92 MILLION** soybean bushels and **411 MILLION** corn bushels shipped out of state, **75%** were transported by rail.

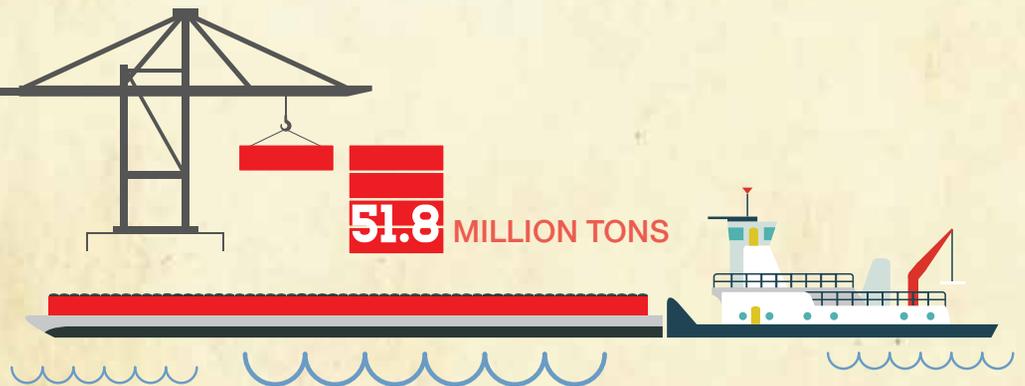
- Problems with railway infrastructure could potentially affect a large percentage of **SOYBEAN & CORN DELIVERY**.



WATERWAYS

- If one of the five Indiana locks on the Ohio River closed for one year, imagine how much money could be lost with the **51.8 MILLION TONS** of grain shipped from multiple locations down the river each year.

- Waterways are the **MOST EFFICIENT** method of transportation for corn and soybeans.



Let's work together to keep Indiana's infrastructure viable and our farmers and economy prospering. For more information, email transportation@indianasoybean.com or call 1-800-735-0195.

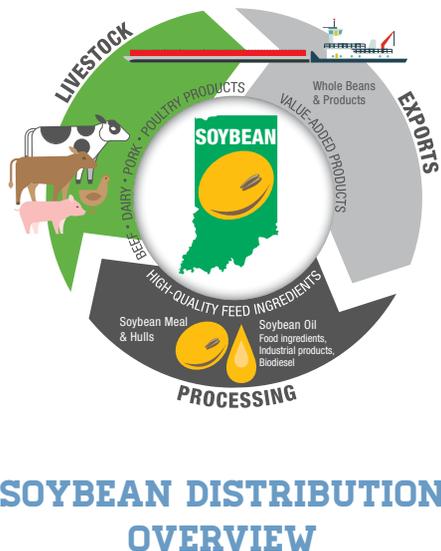
Sources: Informa Economics, PRX, USB

 **INDIANA SOYBEAN ALLIANCE**
indianasoybean.com

 **INDIANA CORN**
Marketing Council
incorn.org

5730 West 74th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46278
Funded with Indiana soybean and corn checkoff dollars.

01-CV03-8/14



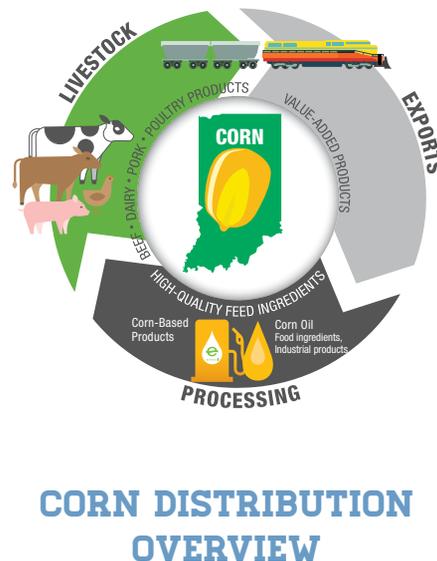
- A bridge failure is much more localized, but would result in a minimum loss of **2 CENTS PER BUSHEL** for farmers.
- If the damage is on an interstate bridge, or requires a longer detour, a farmer **COULD LOSE EVEN MORE**.

 **INDIANA SOYBEAN ALLIANCE**

 **INDIANA CORN**
Marketing Council

For more information, email transportation@indianasoybean.com or call 1-800-735-0195.

Source: Informa Economics



- A lock failure on the Ohio River would result in a **2 CENT PER BUSHEL** decrease across all of Indiana's production.
- A Class I rail failure would result in a **3 CENT PER BUSHEL** decrease across all of Indiana's production.

 **INDIANA SOYBEAN ALLIANCE**

 **INDIANA CORN**
Marketing Council

For more information, email transportation@indianasoybean.com or call 1-800-735-0195.

Source: Informa Economics