

FOCUS AREA
Animal Welfare

Our Commitment

Continuously improve the welfare of the animals entrusted to our care.



What We Do

- ① Trust animals to show us what types of environments best suit them, and use their demonstrated preferences to guide our decisions, which are grounded in sound science and the latest animal welfare research.
- ② Maintain an Office of Animal Welfare dedicated exclusively to animal welfare and that directs a team of more than 50 animal welfare specialists.
- ③ Partner with a professionals, academic institutions and industry groups to advance animal agricultural research and best practices.
- ④ Execute a robust animal welfare auditing strategy that includes both audits of our plants and FarmCheck®, our U.S. industry-leading supply chain animal welfare program.
- ⑤ Follow guidelines for the responsible use of antibiotics on animals within our supply chain that are defined by the American Association of Avian Pathologists, the World Health Organization, World Organization for Animal Health and the American Veterinary Medical Association.

What We've Done Recently

- ① Completed the construction of a new four-house commercial broiler research farm at the Tyson Foods Center for Sustainable Broiler Welfare Research.
- ② Trained more than 1,000 team members in the U.S. Poultry and Egg Association's Poultry Handling and Transportation Certification Program.
- ③ Earned Professional Animal Auditor Certification Organization (PAACO) certification for our FarmCheck® audit program for broiler chickens.
- ④ Implemented scored welfare audits in our cattle supply chain.
- ⑤ Became a founding member of the International Consortium for Antimicrobial Stewardship in Agriculture (ICASA), a public-private collaboration to conduct research on antimicrobial stewardship and animal health.

How We Measure Progress

KEY WELFARE INDICATORS¹

	2018	2019
BROILERS		
Transport Livability	99.8%	99.9%
Non-Damaged Wings	98.9%	98.8%
Acceptable Paw Scores	78.0%	81.0%
CATTLE AND HOGS		
No Falls	99.2%	99.9%
Not Prodded	99.2%	99.3%
Acceptable Wait Times	94.0%	96.8%

¹Metrics based on our U.S. operations. Percent acceptable as audited against NCC Welfare Guidelines for Broilers or NAMI Recommended Animal Handling Guidelines [September 2019 Rev. 2] for cattle and hogs.