SOYBEANS

Soybean production in the United States was increased after George Washington Carver discovered that the soybean crop was great for nutrient depleted soils. He developed over 300 uses for the soybean, such as edible oil and meal.

Soybeans were first brought to America in the early 19th century.

Today, the U.S. grows about 70 million acres of soybeans annually.

Common soybean food products include soy flour, soy milk, tofu, soy sauce, soy cheese, and baby formula.

Soybeans are used in products like oils, soaps, cosmetics, plastics, inks, animal feed, and biodiesel fuel.

Soybeans can produce two times as much protein per acre than any other major vegetable or grain crop. This is great for building strong muscles!

Soy crayons have been created to replace toxic petroleum-wax crayons; soy crayons are safer to use, brighter in color, and less expensive to produce!

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