

Celebrate National Forage Week

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Without question, forages are the most important plants on earth.

Forage grasses provide most of the nutrition for cattle, sheep, goats, horses and mules. Forage accounts for about 25 percent of the total value of U.S. agriculture, occupies about 50 percent of the total land area of the U.S. and provides wildlife habitat.

Did you know?

- An acre of forage can prevent 2 million pounds of soil from eroding each year.
- U.S. dairy farmers use forage to produce 20 billion gallons of milk each year – enough for every person in the country to drink 1 gallon per week for the entire year.

