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TRENDING

## African Swine Fever and Its Impact on U.S. Soy



In the past few years, the U.S. soybean industry has withstood significant market volatility driven by two major forces: shifting global trade policy and unprecedented viral epidemics, both human and animal. [African swine fever](#) has continued to pose global challenges since the 2018 outbreak in China, including a resurgence in 2021. This [Market View Insight](#) provides an overview and status update for ASF and its impact on U.S. soy markets. Some key findings include:

- China's demand for soybeans and value-added soybean products are expected to climb as the country recovers from ASF.
- China will continue to require soybean imports to meet domestic soybean crush needs.

USB continues to invest in [animal nutrition research](#) to learn how viruses like ASF impact soy globally.



## National Farm Safety and Health Week 2021



The National Education Center for Agricultural Safety (NECAS) recently celebrated National Farm Health & Safety Week 2021. As part of that celebration, NECAS offered free [webinars](#) and videos on specific topics such as Tractor Safety, Overall Farmer Health, Safety & Health for Women in Agriculture, and much more. While National Farm Health & Safety Week 2021 is over – we encourage you to keep your health and safety on the farm a priority all year long! You can still view these resources and more on the NECAS [website](#).

The American Soybean Association has also put together a Best Practices handout with strategies to prevent accidents.



[Click here for the handout.](#)



## Soy's Role as a Quality Feed Ingredient



A recent article in *Feedstuffs* — coauthored by **Emily Dustman**, USB director of science education — indicates there is significant agreement among livestock and feed producers: quality feed ingredients are key to animal growth and performance.

To help increase consistency and further soy's place in livestock feed, USB continues to partner with public- and private-sector experts to develop quick and accurate methods to investigate inhibitors commonly found in legume plants such as soybeans. USB remains dedicated to addressing this critical gap to ensure we are meeting the demands of our No. 1 customer.

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## USB Sponsored Honor the Harvest Forum

The 2021 Honor the Harvest Forum kicked off Tuesday, Sept. 14. This three-day event, facilitated by U.S. Farms and Ranchers in Action, connected farmers and ranchers with agricultural value chain leaders in food, fiber and energy. Checkoff dollars facilitated the collaboration and partnership it takes to leverage farmers' unique ability to address climate change through events

like this. Review key takeaways and how to prepare for the anticipated challenges facing agriculture [here](#).



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## Soy Foods Align with Global Food Trends

U.S.-grown soybeans continue to display their versatility and connect consumers with current food trends, meeting the evolving demands of the global consumer. Since the pandemic began, more than half of Americans report an increase in meals consumed at home. Recognizing this shift, USB has increased education efforts promoting the ways soy foods meet current consumer demands. The Soyfoods Council features several recipes highlighting the quality of soy. Learn more about soy's role in global food trends [here](#).

### Wok-Fired Spicy Garlic Edamame

Looking for the perfect game day appetizer? This [recipe](#) is salty, garlicky with lots of peppery heat, and it's downright delicious!





## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### **Multi Unit Food Service Operations (MUFSO) | Denver, CO**

October 4th – 6th

### **USDA WASDE Release**

October 12th

### **Food Nutrition Conference & Expo (FNCE) | New Orleans, LA**

October 16th – 19th

### **Sustainable Brands Annual Forum | San Diego, CA & Virtual**

October 18th – 21st

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