

THE FOOD DIALOGUES

since when did agriculture become a DIRTY word?

Americans have a lot of questions about how food is grown and raised, the impact on our health and the health of our planet. This October, many Americans will enter into positive discussions about their food during **World Food Day (Oct. 16)** and **Food Day (Oct. 24)**.

America's farmers and ranchers recently kicked off The Food Dialogues, the launch of a new effort to bring together different viewpoints on farming and ranching and the future of food. The recent Food Dialogues town-hall style webcast offers background information on various issues related to how food is grown and raised in America, while the Food Dialogues website is a destination where the online conversation continues. Missed the webcast? Click the videos on the right to see highlights.



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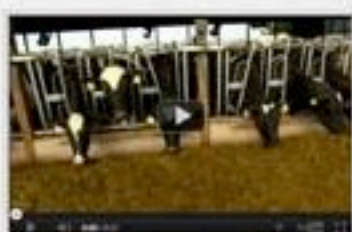


watch the Indiana Town Hall

Meet America's Farmers & Ranchers



RICK STOTT
Agri-Beef,
Idaho



LLOYD & DAPHNE
HOLTERMAN
Rosy Lane Holsteins,
Watertown, WI



MALCOLM
DeKRYGER
Cambalot Swine
Breeders,
Northwest Indiana



CHUCK MYERS
Myers Farms,
Lyons, NE

Survey Says

Overwhelmingly, farmers and ranchers share the same values as consumers on issues related to environmental stewardship and animal care

Topics FARMERS & RANCHERS Feel Are Most Important to Educate Consumers About

Topics CONSUMERS Want More Information About

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| The effect of pesticides, fertilizers and antibiotics on food | 1 | How chemicals are used |
| Where their food comes from in general | 2 | How pesticides are used |
| Proper care of livestock and poultry | 3 | Food safety standards |
| Effect of government regulations on farming/ranching | 4 | Effect of government regulations on farming |
| Economic value of agriculture | 5 | How antibiotics are used + Genetic engineering in crops |

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