

# HONEY BEE FACTS



CELEBRATE POLLINATOR WEEK  
JUNE 18 - 24

Kingdom: Animalia  
Phylum: Arthropoda  
Class: Insecta  
Order: Hymenoptera  
Family: Apidae  
Subfamily: Apinae  
Tribe: Apini  
Genus: Apis

## THE AVERAGE COLONY

CONSISTS OF **60,000** BEES

$\frac{1}{2}$  ARE WORKER OR POLLINATING BEES



BEES WILL FORAGE **1 TO 5 MILES** FROM THE HIVE

THAT'S THE EQUIVALENT OF HUMANS TRAVELING **1,600 MILES** FOR FOOD



THE AVERAGE FORAGING BEE \* VISITS \*

**50 TO 100** FLOWERS EACH TRIP

\* IT TAKES \* **1 MILLION BLOSSOMS** PER ACRE TO FEED A COLONY OF BEES

## THE LIFESPAN OF A HONEY BEE

1 DAY MAYFLY  
21 DAYS HOUSE FLY  
40 DAYS HONEY BEE  
90 DAYS MALE ANT  
120 DAYS DRAGONFLY  
1 YEAR LADY BUG

IT TAKES **30,000** BEES TO POLLINATE ONE ACRE

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# HONEY BEE IMPACT ON AGRICULTURE

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**1/3** OF ALL **PLANTS**  
EATEN BY HUMANS  
ARE **DEPENDENT ON**  
**BEE POLLINATION**



**100 CROPS** PROVIDE **90%**  
OF THE **WORLD'S FOOD**  
**70** ARE **POLLINATED BY BEES**



**\$15,000,000,000**

A YEAR IN U.S. CROPS ARE  
POLLINATED BY BEES

 **\$500** EVERY  
SECOND

**\$10,000,000,000**

COMBINED SALARIES  
OF ALL MLB, NFL, NBA, NHL  
AND MLS TEAMS

**\$5,000,000,000**  
GDP OF LIECHTENSTEIN



A FARMER COULD LOSE

**75%** OF HIS  
**CROP**  
WITHOUT  
**HONEY BEE**  
**POLLINATION**



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