WE    ARE    FARMERS  
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Hello Folks,  
My family and I are farmers. Let me tell you a bit about us, for those of you who may not know who farmers are: We have a small East Tennessee farm where we raise a few beef cows and calves, grass pasture (summer cow and calf food), dried grass or hay for winter food for cattle, and a few acres of corn for market and cattle food. My wife and I work off the farm at a big box store and our daughter teaches at a local elementary school.  
  
We are members of a larger team of U.S.A. farmers/ranchers responsible for raising food, fiber, fuel and shelter for American families. We not only supply these essential items for the U.S.A. but we ship them all around the world for other families. We raise: Meats - beef, pork, chicken; Dairy - milk, butter, cream; Vegetables - corn, beans, potatoes, carrots; Fruits - tomatoes, apples, grapes, berries; Nuts - peanuts, almonds, walnuts; Grains - corn, wheat, oats, barley, for people and animals. We raise cotton for cloths and fabric and trees for lumber to build homes. Plus, several items that keep you and me healthy.  
  
You actually contact our family several times a day through: cooking oils, make-up, lotions, soaps, plastic combs and brushes, tape, paints, candies, crayons, toothpaste, deodorant, lip gloss, shoe polish, chewing gum. We supply coverings for softballs, baseballs, footballs, basketballs, soccer balls, volley balls, shoes, boots, belts, baseball gloves, purses, billfolds, car seat covers, and many other items.  
  
Our family and other farmers/ranchers are a team of about 2% or the U.S.A. population (some 340 million people). Our team members are dedicated to raising these goods and services for American and other families around the world.   
  
Our farmers/ranchers team have become more sustainable as we raise more with less natural resources: soil, air, water, grass, trees, minerals, and fuels. We continue to improve our plants and animals through genetics and nutrition.  See we are the original environmentalist as stewards of our lands and animals entrusted to our care.