

# Sustainability and egg farming



Egg farmers are passionate about providing fresh, local, high-quality eggs to our fellow Canadians while taking care of our animals, communities and the environment.

## Who benefits from our efforts?



### OUR HENS

The national Animal Care Program guides farmers to meet **rigorous standards** in animal welfare. The program is based on the Code of Practice developed in consultation with leading animal welfare, veterinary and industry experts.



### OUR EGGS

The EQA® certification mark verifies that Canadian eggs are produced according to **strict food safety** and **animal welfare standards**. Our Start Clean-Stay Clean® on-farm food safety program ensures Canadian eggs are produced in line with rigorous safety and quality standards.



### THE ENVIRONMENT

We invest in research and initiatives that help drive farm-level improvements to reduce emissions that impact air, water and soil. In fact, research shows there has been a **reduction in greenhouse gas emissions (GHG)** per tonne of eggs produced since 2012.<sup>1</sup>



### CANADIANS

Our system of supply management helps egg farmers plan for the future, while **providing a stable supply of high-quality eggs** that Canadians want and enjoy.



### CANADIAN EGG FARMERS

We **empower our people** and **nurture the next generation** of egg sector leaders through programs and opportunities to learn and grow.

<sup>1</sup> Turner, I., Heidari, D., and Pelletier, N. (2022). *Life cycle assessment of contemporary Canadian egg production systems during the transition from conventional cage to alternative housing systems: Update and analysis of trends and conditions*. Resources, Conservation and Recycling. 176, 105907.



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