

Submission to End Animal Agriculture

Fact! We have made a right mess of things in the last century and we must act now to save what we have got left. The human race has found new, affordable and easier ways of completing tasks which makes all our lives better, although many sacrifices have had to be made for us to get it this way. Animal agriculture is a corrupt sickening mess that we as the human race have brought upon ourselves. The lives of billions are being taken away for the sake of us having a snack or for entertainment, when we have many other ways in which we can achieve the same outcome. Not only is it affecting the lives of animals, but the environment and our health as well. It is scientifically proven that it does not affect our health, but benefits it.

Animal Agriculture is extremely tragic and claims the lives of over 150 Billion animals worldwide each year. Majority of these animals suffer immensely harsh conditions where they rarely if ever see the light of day. These conditions are built on cost and efficiency over animal welfare. The animals live in filthy concrete floored sheds in cages where they can barely move let alone have a normal life how an animal should. Even those that are raised in a paddock are still destined for the same tragic fate. Not only does it affect the animals but the environment. Animal agriculture is a major player in affecting climate change and accounts for half of Australia's and a third of the world's greenhouse gas emissions. This is more than all of worldwide transportation combined. Just by not eating meat we can stop climate change in its tracks. Many other global crises's including global hunger and deforestation can all be resolved by going vegan. Nearly 80% of land cleared in the Amazon is for animal grazing and much of the world's plant products go to feeding animals. Enough so that cereal harvest alone is enough to feed 3 billion people. That will definitely stop global hunger. Ultimately fixing many of the world biggest problems!

How the animal gets from the paddock to the plate is extremely terrible but known by little. The fact is that the businesses are hiding the industry only worrying about themselves and making their money. They have no respect for animal welfare and as a human I don't know how someone can actually do such a cruel thing. How they are treated is considered cruelty on the highest level and if it were to happen to a pet dog or cat the accused would suffer far worse punishment. Animal Agriculture consumes more than it produces; on average it takes 6kg of plant protein to produce just 1kg of animal protein. This is just plain wrong and we as the human race need to fix it, now! Along with Vegan Australia I say that our objective must be to end animal agriculture in Australia and ultimately the world sparing the lives of billions. The Australian Government must stand with us and portray this terrible image to the public via the media and once known the public will support this cause. Remember there are far more animal lovers in this world than haters, and once they see the disgusting practices that are going on behind closed doors they will make the right decision.

It comes down to what we really stand for, are we happy to keep going the way we are and destroy our beautiful planet and all living things on it or create real change, before it's too late. The power is in our hands and only together can we implement this change!

Here are some links that portray the harsh reality:

<http://www.adaptt.org/killcounter.html>

<https://vimeo.com/170833983>

<http://www.lessmeatlessheat.org/facts/>

<http://www.animalsaustralia.org/investigations/dairy-calf-cruelty-investigation/>

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Regards,

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