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## North Dakota's Oilseeds

What do you think of when you hear the word *oil*? Maybe a fluid in your car? Or a liquid in a can that stops squeaks? What about the ingredient in cakes or in the skillet to make stir-fry?

Many oils come from crops grown in North Dakota. Some are edible oils (oils that people and animals can eat), and some are inedible oils (used for lubrication). These crops are called *oilseeds* because their major purpose is to produce oil.

What different kinds of vegetable oils have you seen on grocery store shelves?

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### We're #1

North Dakota ranks first in the nation in the production of 12 crops. Go to the North Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service Web site at [www.nass.usda.gov/nd/rank05.htm](http://www.nass.usda.gov/nd/rank05.htm) and list these crops.

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Which three are oilseeds?

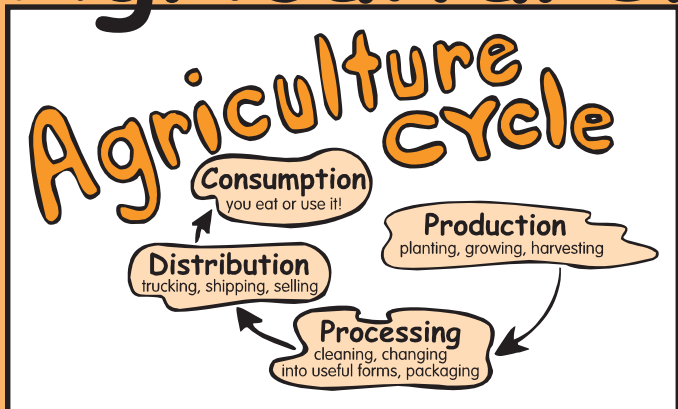
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For more ag facts and fun, check out the NASS Kids Web site at [www.usda.gov/nass/nasskids/kidpg.htm](http://www.usda.gov/nass/nasskids/kidpg.htm).

## Agriculture!



It's farming and ranching and much, much more. It's the production, processing, distribution and consumption of our food, fiber and forestry products.

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