

Utah Farm Service Agency

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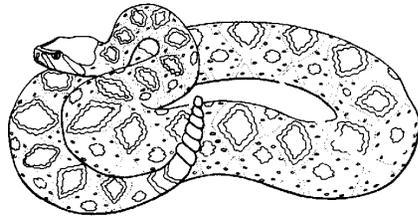
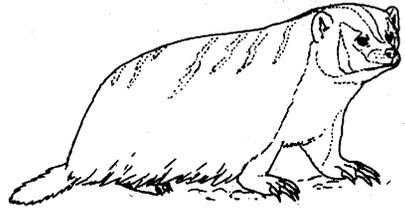
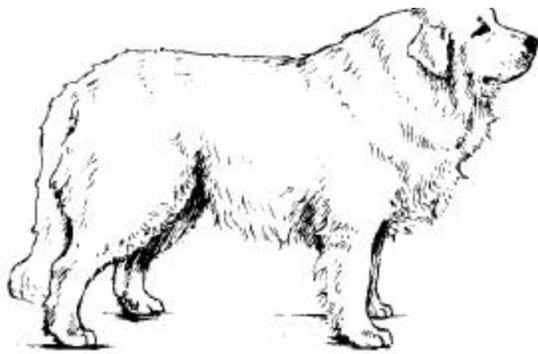


In the 1930's the U.S. Department of Agriculture created an agency to help farmers and ranchers protect their land, continue to produce food for families around the world and administer new programs created by Congress. Farm Service Agency is that agency, though it's had several names through the years. FSA also makes loans to farmers and ranchers who need assistance and to rural youth for money-making projects.

Every aspect of your life, not just the food you eat, involves agriculture. Beef cattle grazing in Utah fields provide items such as lipstick, paint, cake mixes, and crayons! Some kids think milk comes from the store, but it comes straight from a dairy cow! Have you ever wondered where the spearmint flavor in your gum comes from? From a plant, and it's grown here in Utah. You'll learn about lots of other crops grown in Utah on the following pages and we hope you enjoy yourself as you learn a little about Utah agriculture.

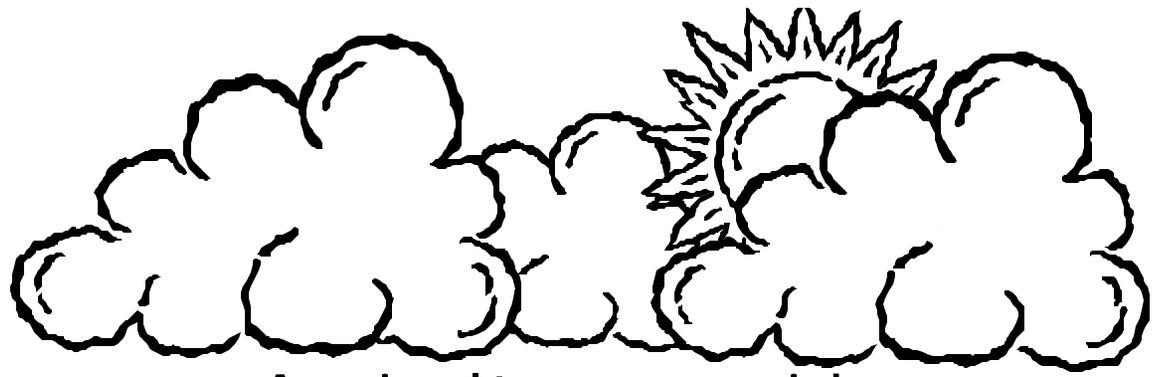
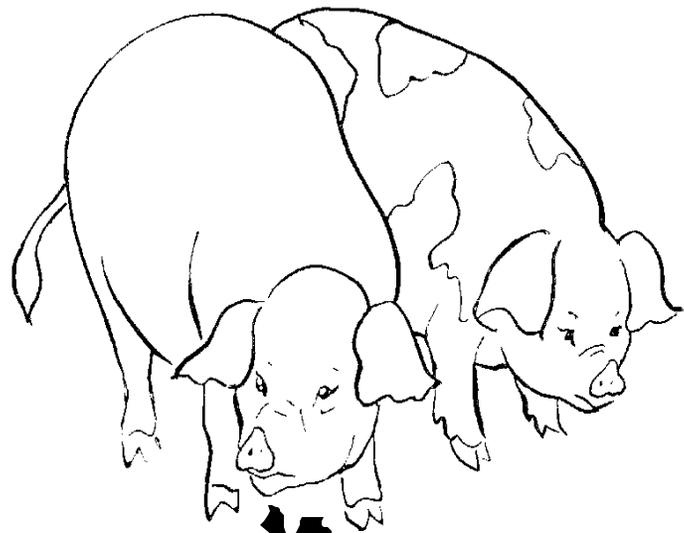
There are about 15,000 farms and ranches in Utah that provide jobs for more than 100,000 people. Utah ranks 9th in the U.S. in producing spring wheat with Box Elder County producing the most. Utah ranks 10th in the U.S. in producing barley with Cache County producing the most. In alfalfa hay production, Utah ranks 15th in the U.S. with Millard County producing the most. Rich County produces the most other hay! Utah farms also raise oats!





Utah farms and ranches are home for many animals, large and small. Utah has 25-30 elk ranches, from Tooele, to Duchesne and Summit Counties.

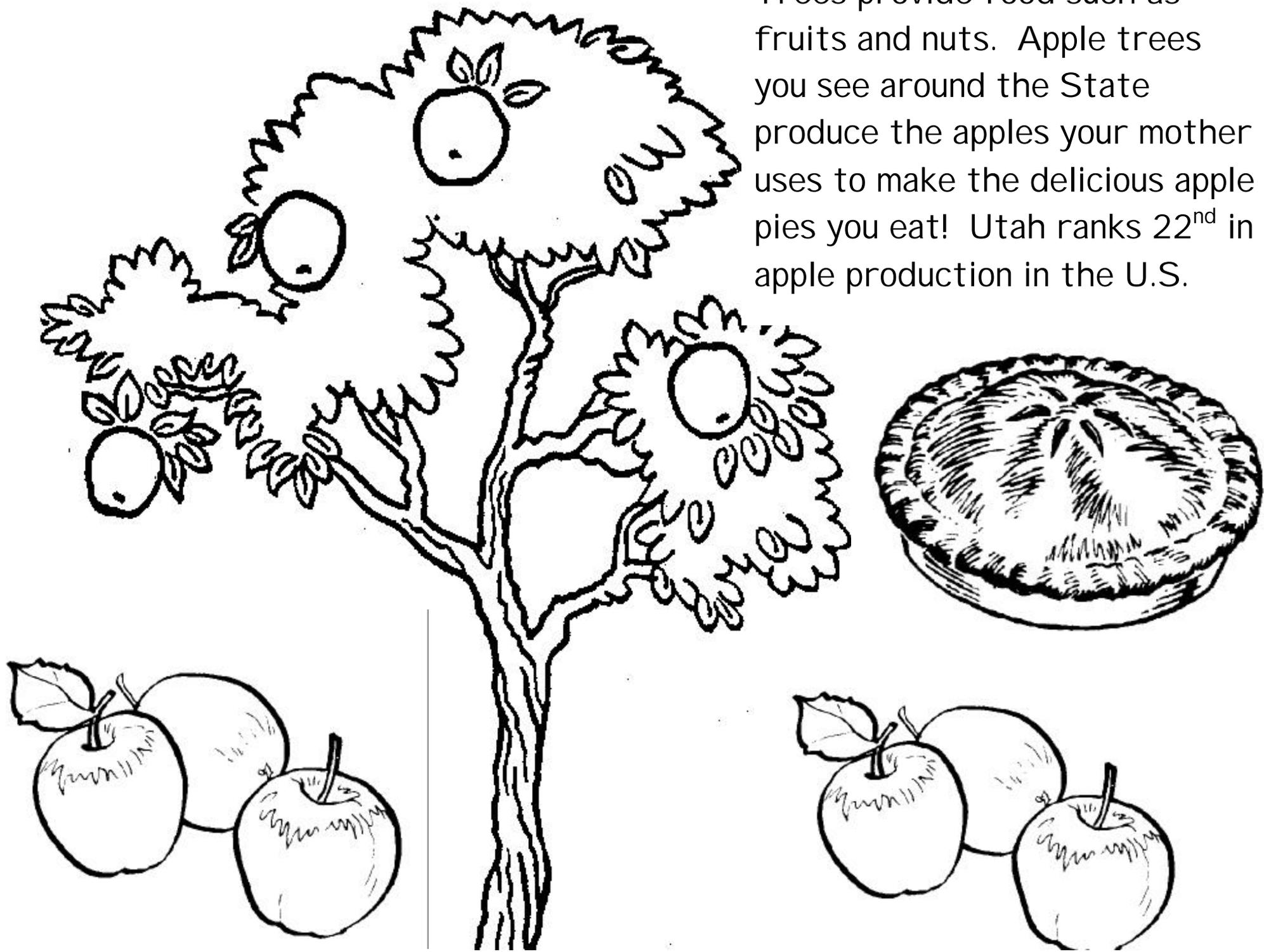


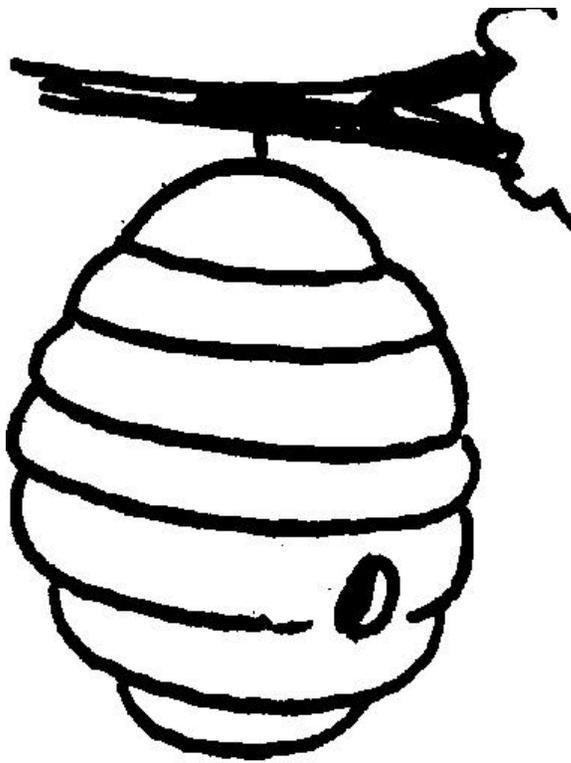


Agriculture provides a lifeline to Utah families in rural areas and large cities!



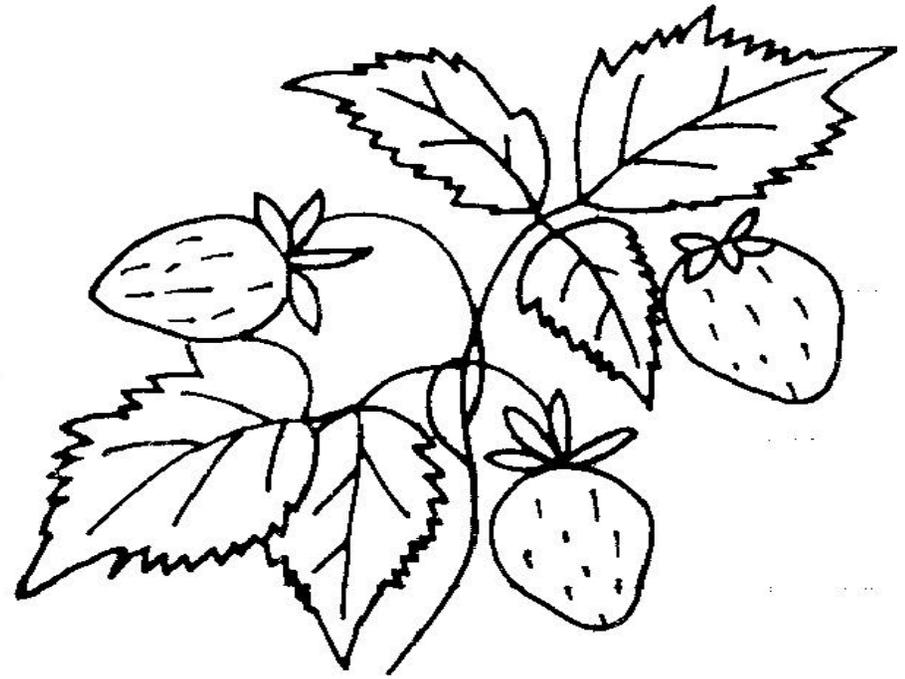
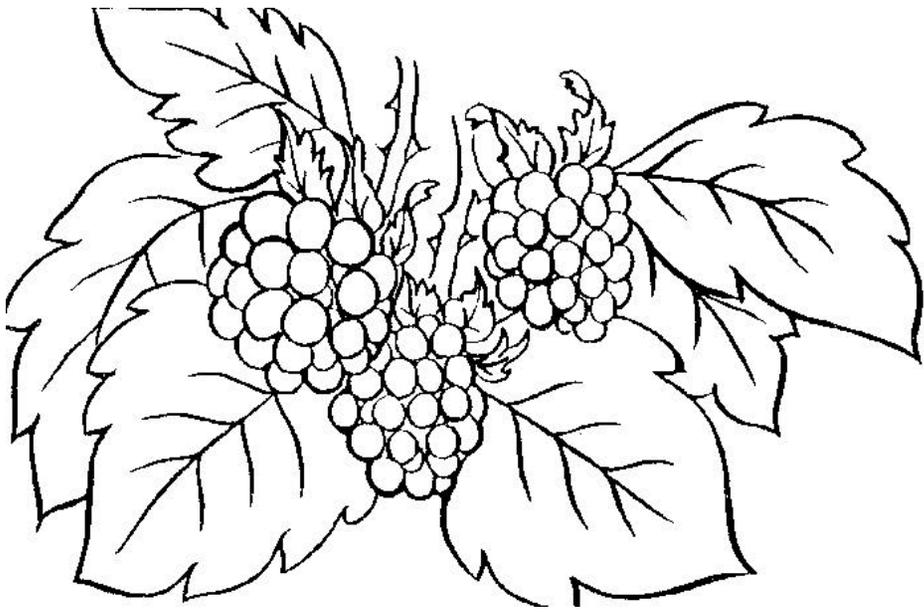
Trees provide food such as fruits and nuts. Apple trees you see around the State produce the apples your mother uses to make the delicious apple pies you eat! Utah ranks 22nd in apple production in the U.S.



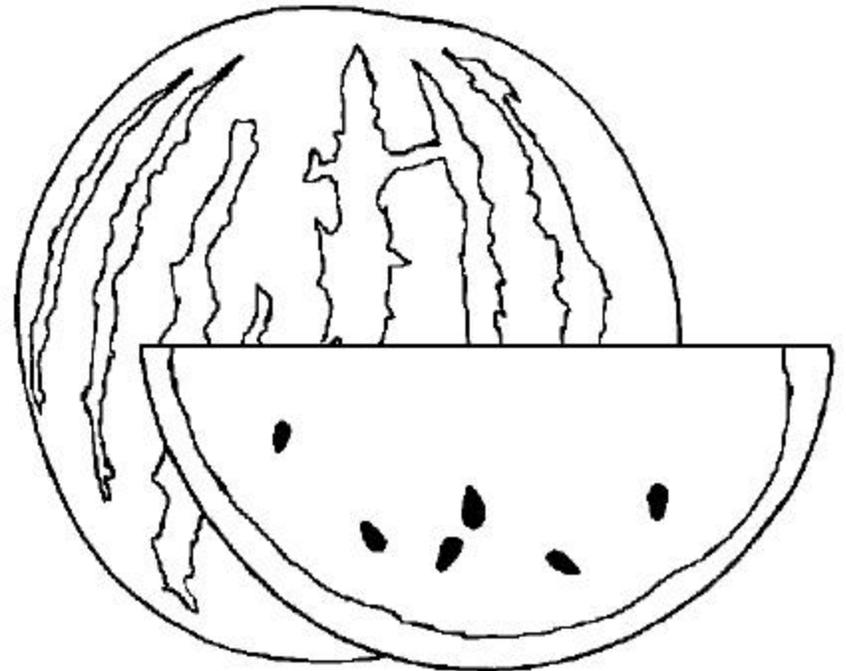
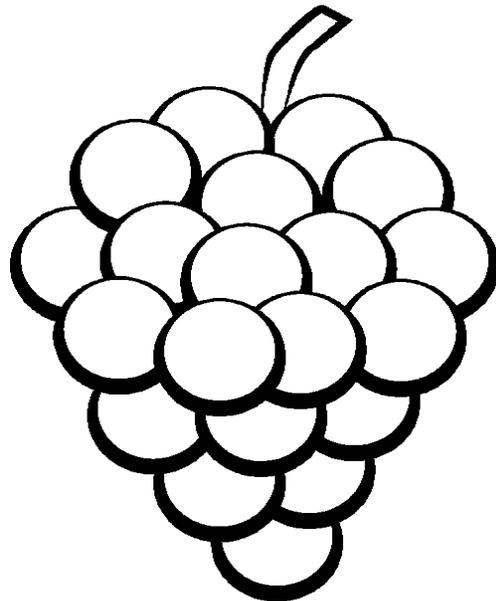
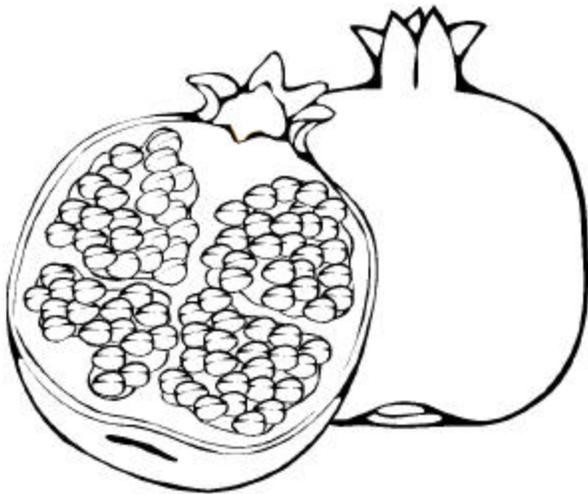


Utah has many honey bee colonies. Bees pollinate crops such as vegetables, fruit, flowers and plants for Utah's farmers, in addition to producing honey for you to enjoy! Their hives will look like boxes out in the field, you can spot some in Uintah or Sanpete Counties. Many Utah honey producers keep their bees in a warmer climate during winter months, such as California. You can see hives being transported to and from Utah on semi-trucks! Watch out for honey bees, they've got quite a sting! Utah ranks 22nd in the U.S. in honey production.





Rich County raises great raspberries, Grand & Emery County raise watermelons, Washington County raises pomegranates and many people in Utah raise grapes.



Utah Agriculture Word Search



Find the foods listed below in the word search that Utah farmers and ranchers provide for your family's meals.

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|-----------|------------|--------|
| Potato | Milk | Grapes |
| Squash | Fish | Beans |
| Chicken | Walnut | Radish |
| Beef | Peaches | Carrot |
| Cheese | Eggs | Pork |
| Cabbage | Lettuce | Turkey |
| Wheat | Strawberry | |
| Raspberry | | |

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UTAH AGRICULTURE WORD JUMBLE #1

Can you unscramble the different fruits and vegetables that Utah farmers grow?

capirot _____

nonio _____

pesa _____

palpe _____

peperp _____

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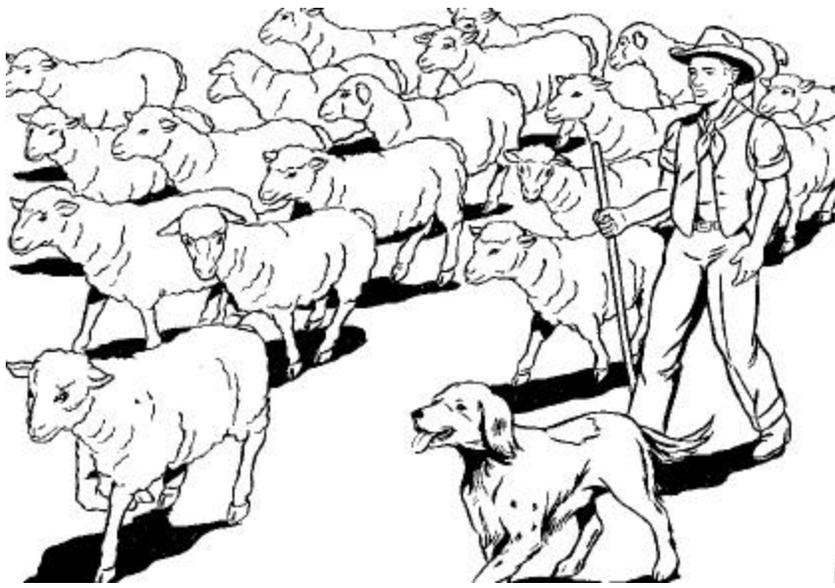
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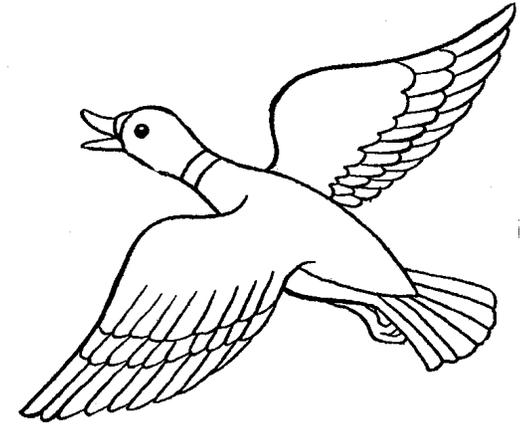
cron _____

pmlu _____

Answers: apricot, onion, peas, apple, pepper, tomato, cucumber, pear, corn, plum



UTAH AGRICULTURE WORD JUMBLE #2



Can you unscramble the different animals you might find on a Utah farm or ranch jumbled below?

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msoeo _____

cihcenk _____

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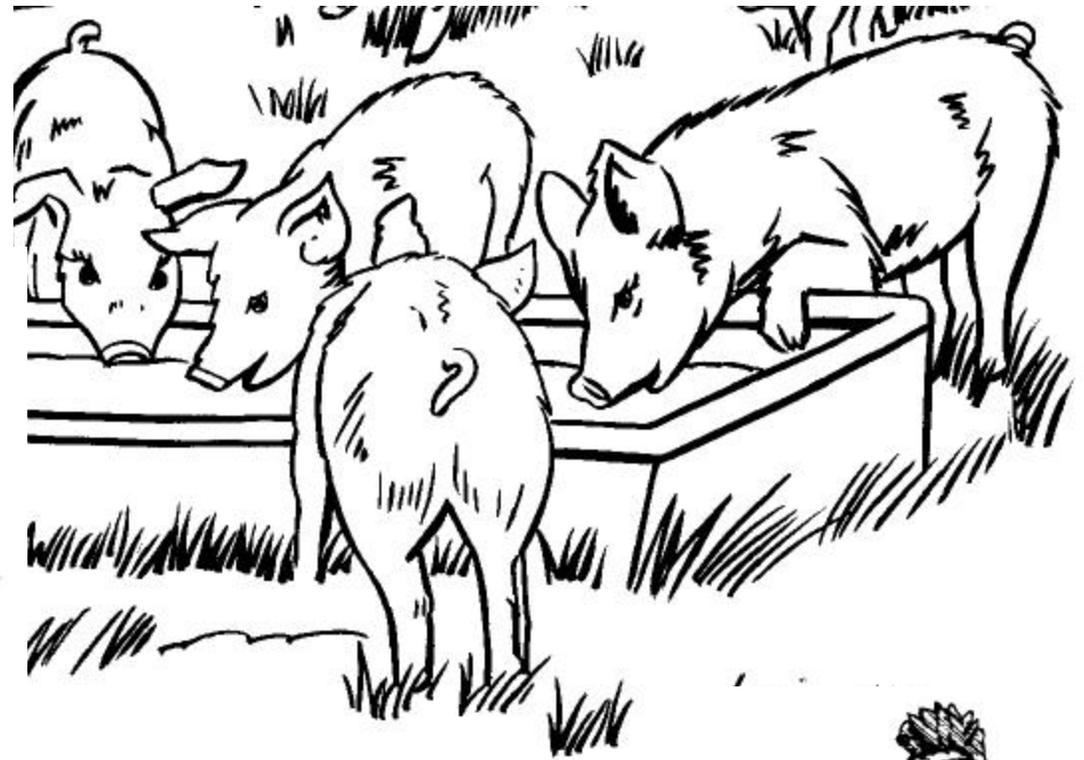
kunsk _____

psig _____

gota _____

Answers: cow, horse, turkey, fox, moose, chicken, goose, skunk, pigs, goat

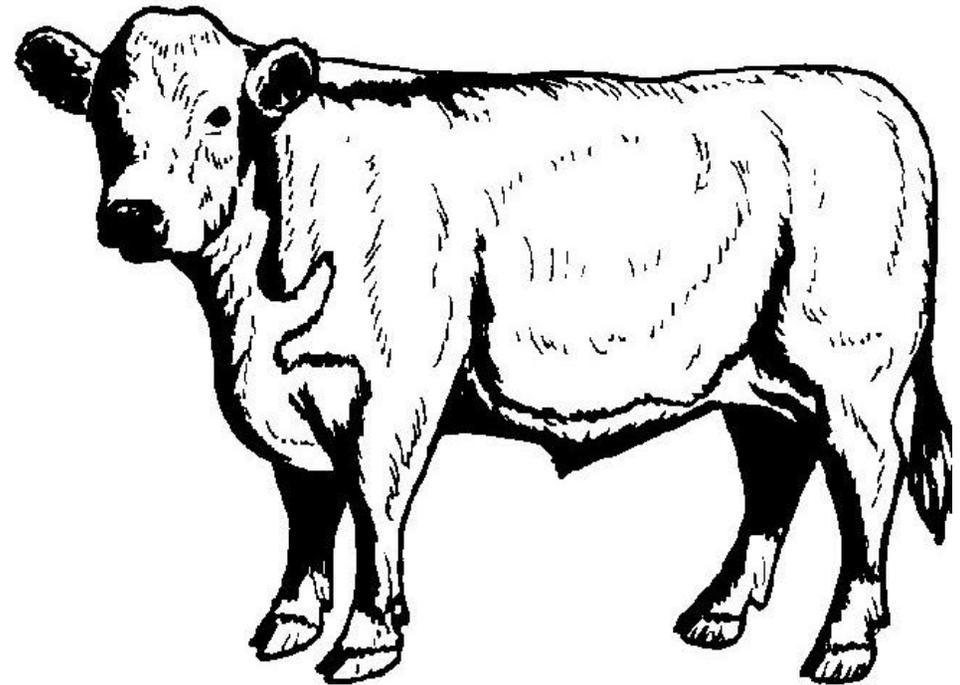
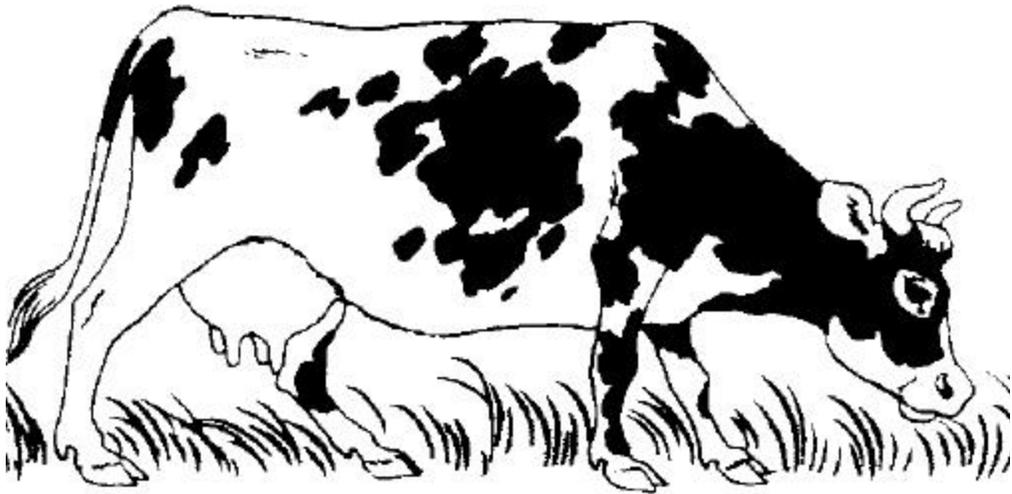
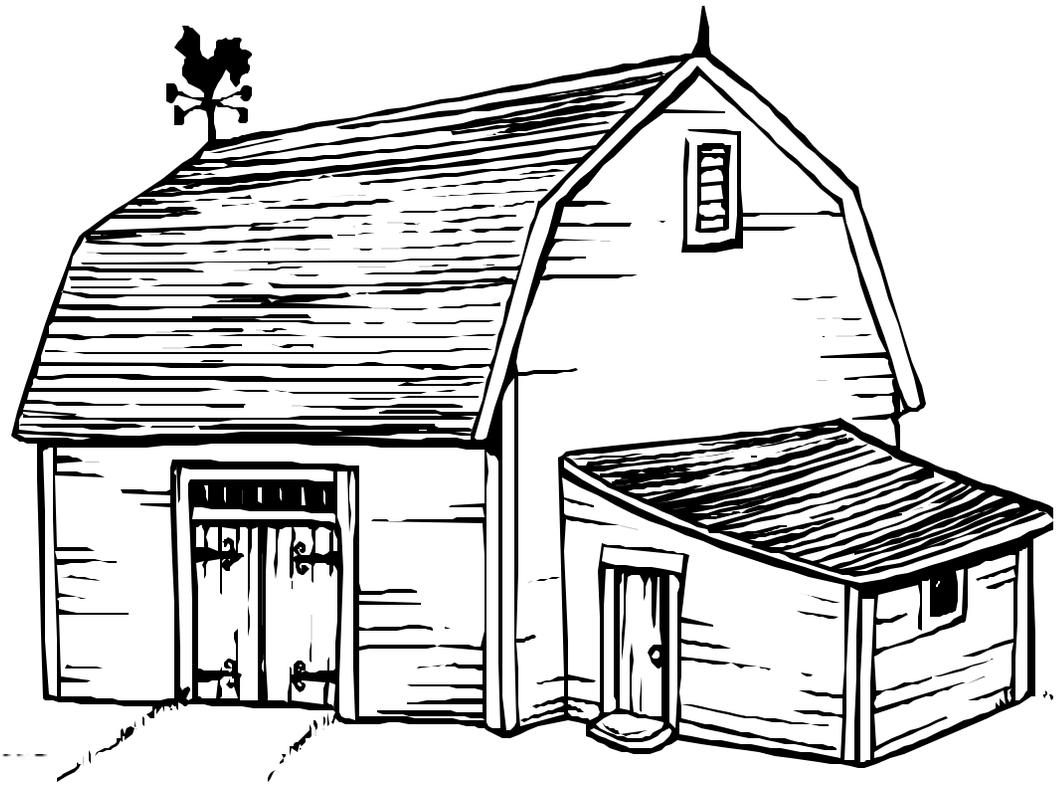
Beaver County has a large hog population!!



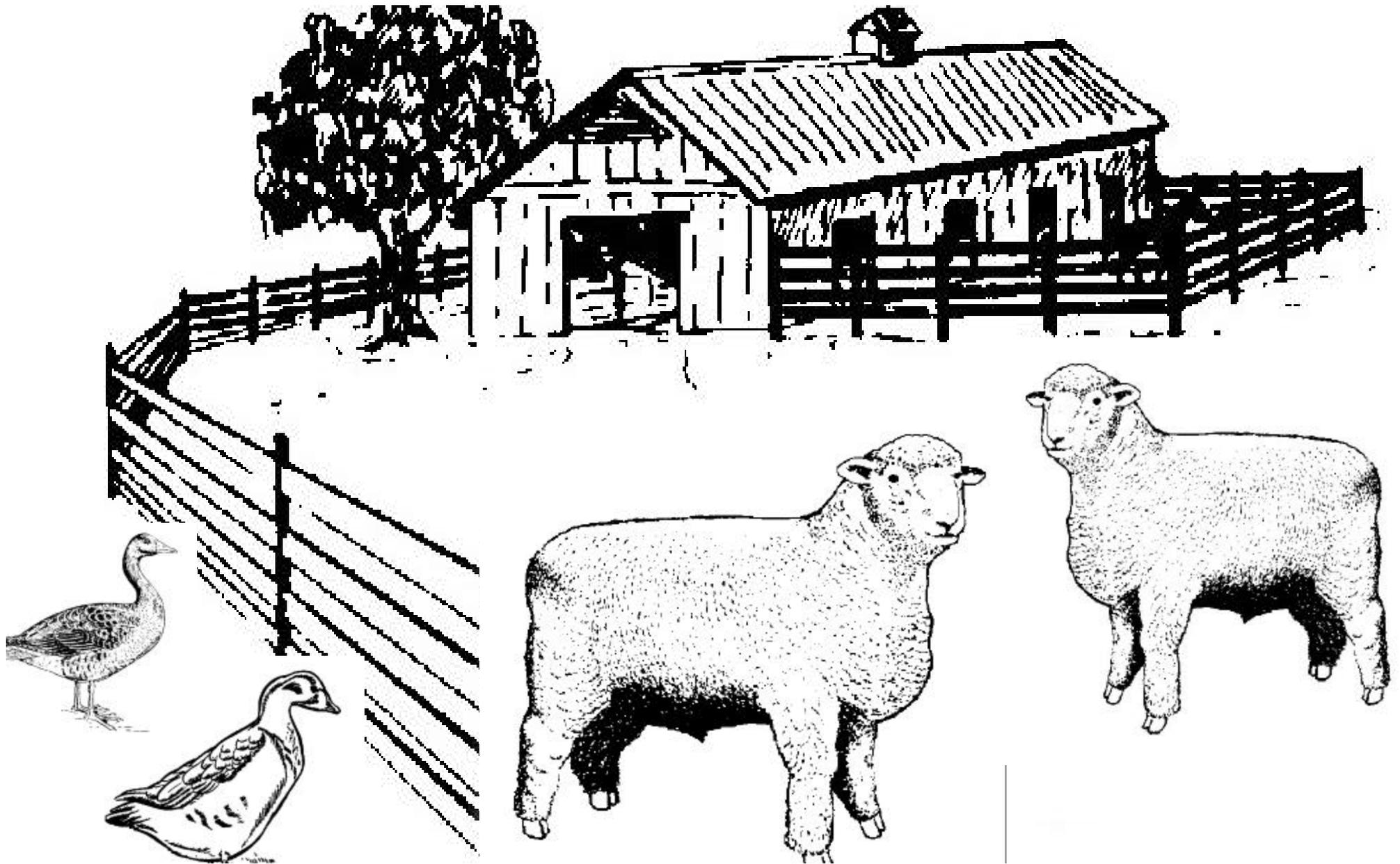
Juab & Sanpete have large turkey operations. Salt Lake & Tooele Counties have large chicken & egg operations!!

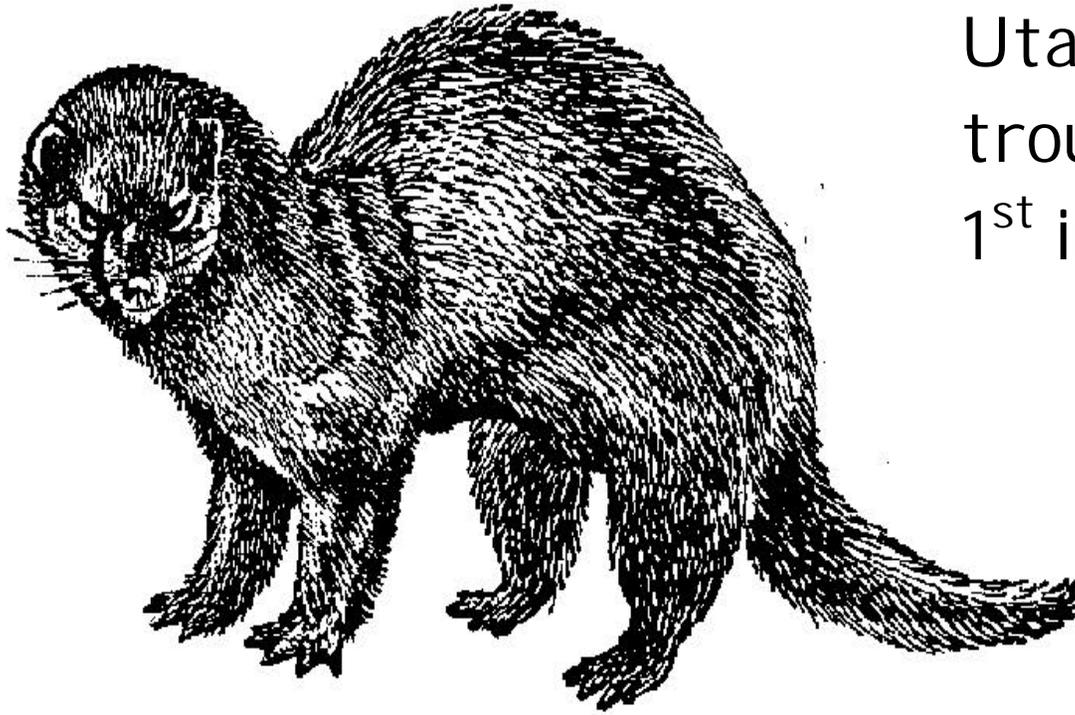


Every county in Utah has cattle producers, with Box Elder and Duchesne Counties having the most beef cattle. Cache and Millard Counties have the largest numbers of dairy cattle.



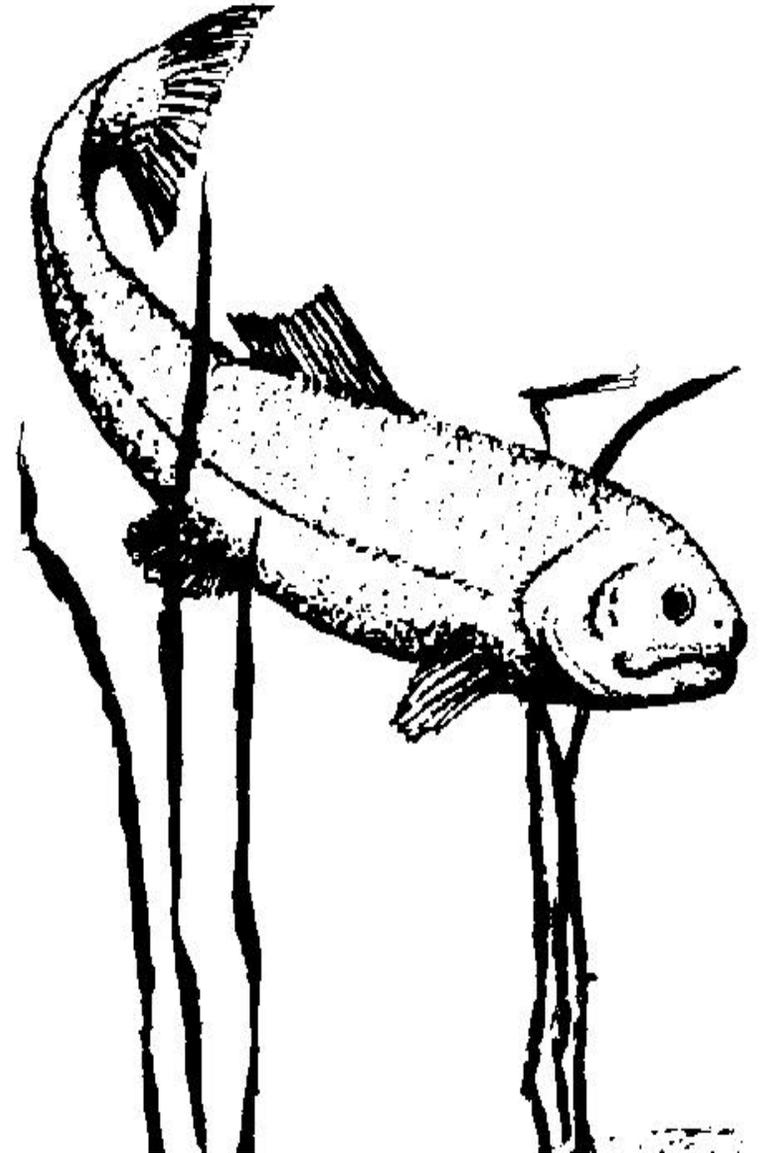
Utah ranks 6th in the U.S. in sheep production. The top producing counties in Utah are Sanpete, Box Elder, Garfield, Utah and Summit.

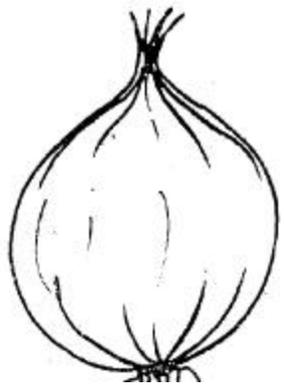
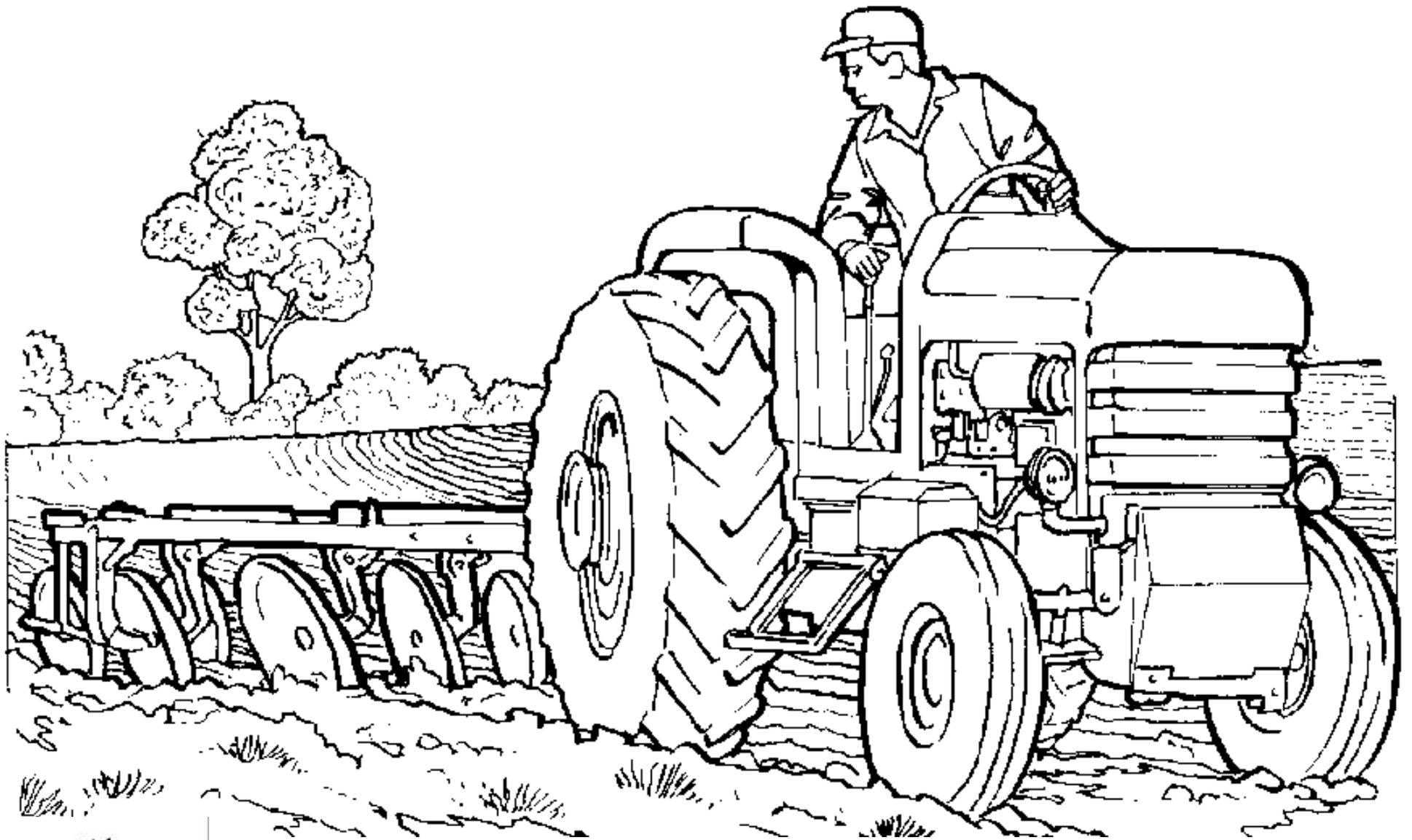




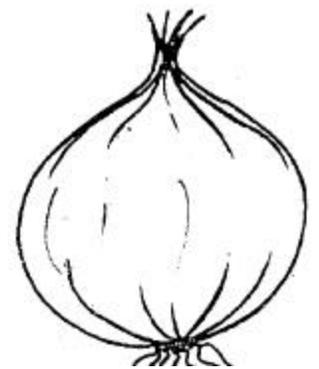
Utah ranks 10th in the U.S. in trout produced and sold and is 1st in brine shrimp production.

Utah ranks 2nd in the U.S. in mink pelt production. Utah's top counties for mink pelts produced are Utah, Morgan, Cache and Summit.



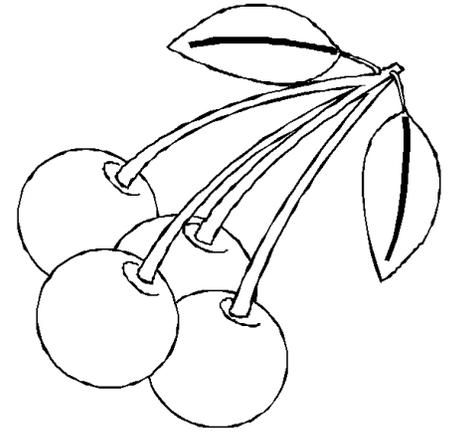


Utah farmers and ranchers work very hard to provide food for our nation's families. Because of that hard work, Utah ranks 9th in the U.S. in onion production, producing over 1 million pounds each year.

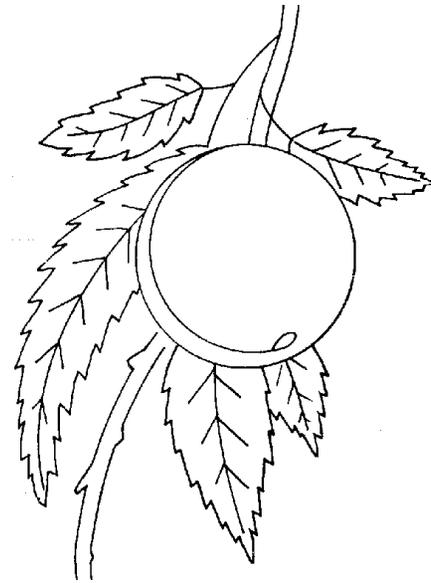




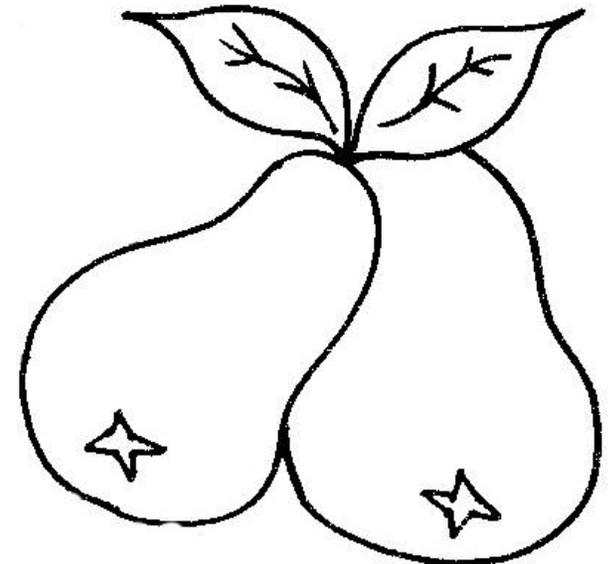
Utah ranks 2nd in the U.S. in tart cherry production and 6th in sweet cherry production.

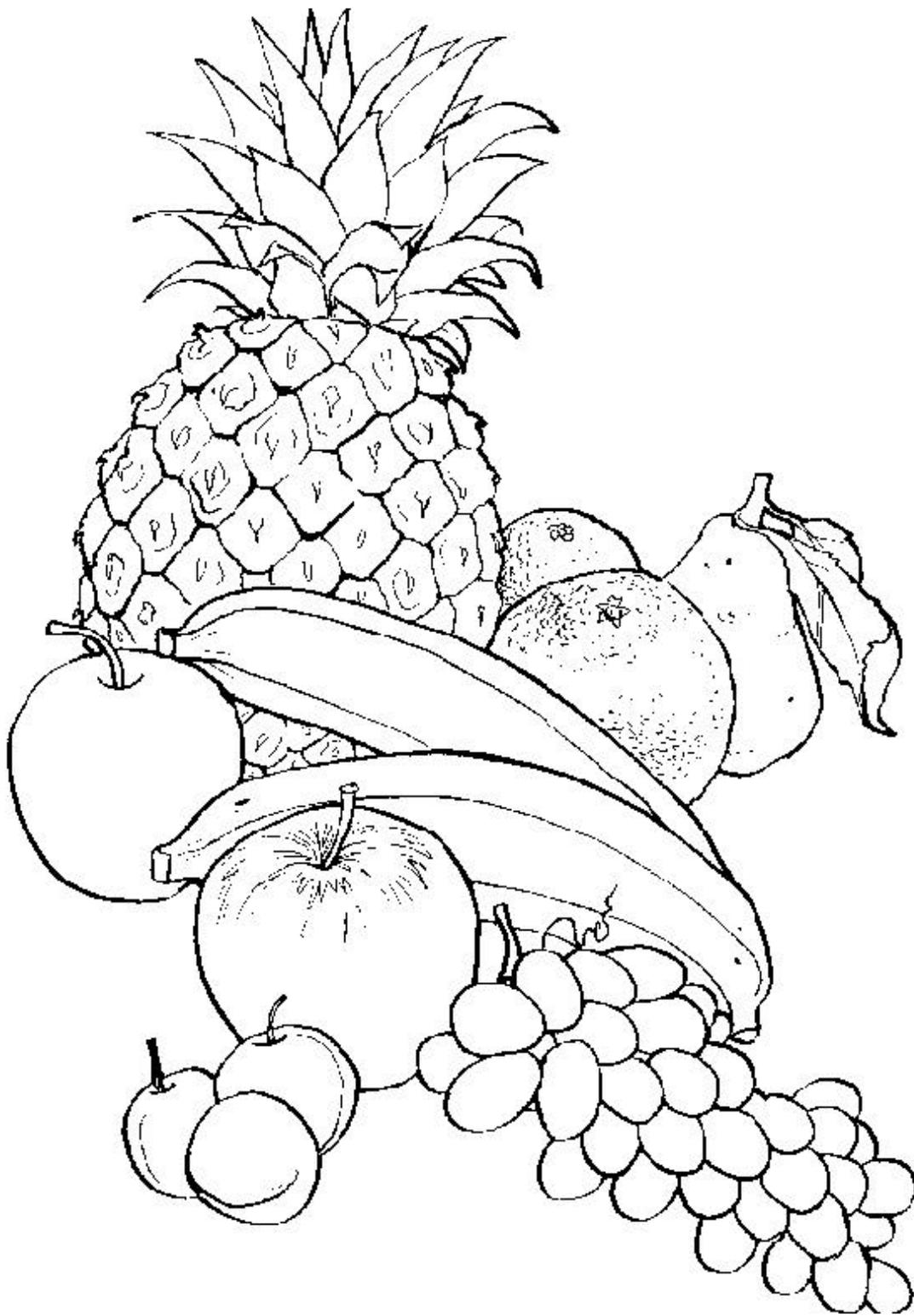


Utah ranks 3rd in the U.S. in apricot production and 17th in peach production.

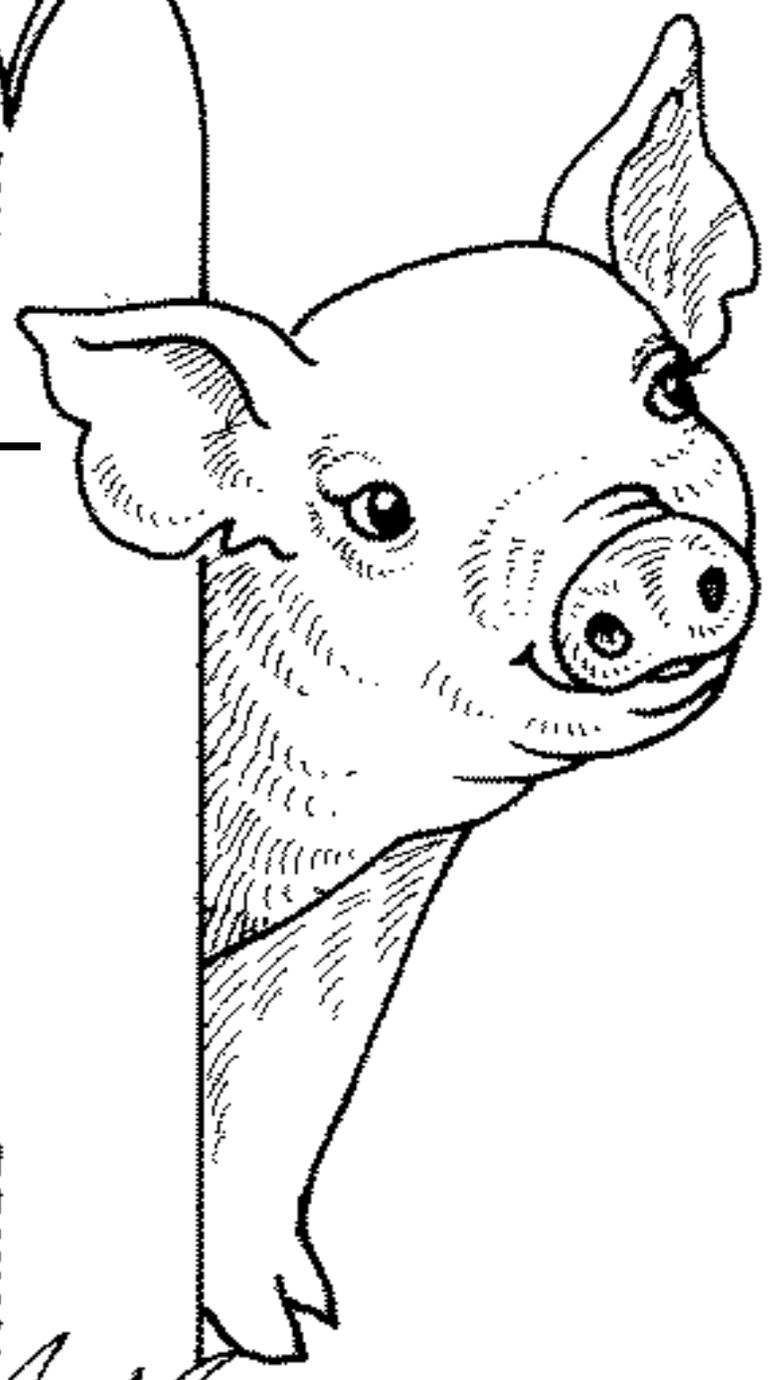


Utah ranks 3rd in the U.S. in the production of pears.





Farmers all over the United States, including Utah, grow fruits and vegetables of all shapes, sizes and textures. They also come in colors from dark red and green to bright yellow and orange. These different colors are from natural ingredients found inside and also make them good for you! Try and visit a farmer's market to see how many different colors you can see and how many colors you can eat every day!



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