# ChickQuest Chicken 101

The chicken is the most common species of bird in the world. There are over 25 billion chickens around the world, making it one of the most common domestic species.

Let's write that number out: **2 5**, **0 0 0**, **0 0 0**, **0 0 0**. Wow, that is a lot of chickens!

Chickens eat soybeans, and a lot of chickens eat a LOT of soybeans. Let's do the math!

Ohio is home to 30,000,000 million hens and 10,000,000 pullets each year.
 If 1 chicken eats 1 bushel of soybeans each year, how many bushels do Ohio's chickens eat each year?

### 40,000,000 bushels of soybeans

2. One bushel of soybeans weighs 60 pounds. How many pounds of soybeans are needed to feed Ohio's chickens?

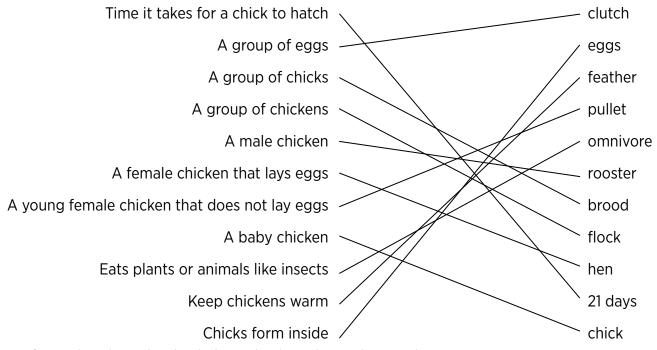
## 2,400,000,000 pounds of soybeans

3. Ohio produces over 264,470,000 bushels of soybeans last year. How many chickens would that feed for 1 year?

#### 264,470,000 chickens

#### How much do you know about chickens?

Research the fun chicken facts below or discuss with your partner to match the correct answers.



**Fun fact:** Did you know that the chicken is the closest living relative to the great *Tyrannosaurus rex?* What similarities do you see? Write a quick story about these distant cousins meeting each other!

