



# FUN FACTS ABOUT **WHEAT**

- More than **17,000** years ago, humans gathered the seeds of plants and ate them.
- The Roman goddess, *Ceres*, deemed protector of the grain, gave grains their common name today – “cereal.”
- Wheat is grown in **42** states and Kansas was the largest wheat producer in **2012**.
- Kansas produces enough wheat each year to bake **36** billion loaves of bread!  
*(That’s enough to feed everyone in the world, for about 2 weeks.)*

## Other Wheat Products:

- Straw particle board (wood) – used in kitchen cabinets
- Paper
- Hair conditioners
- Adhesives on postage stamps
- Medical swabs
- Charcoal
- Biodegradable plastic eating utensils

