



# Corn

## TYPES OF CORN

### FIELD CORN

- Field corn, also known as dent corn, is the most widely grown corn in the U.S. and makes up about 99% of corn production.
- It is used in livestock feed, ethanol, plastics, cornstarch, and many more products.



### SWEET CORN

- Sweet corn is the full-kernelled product that many love to eat and see on the grocery store shelves.
- About 1% of the corn grown in the U.S is made for human consumption.

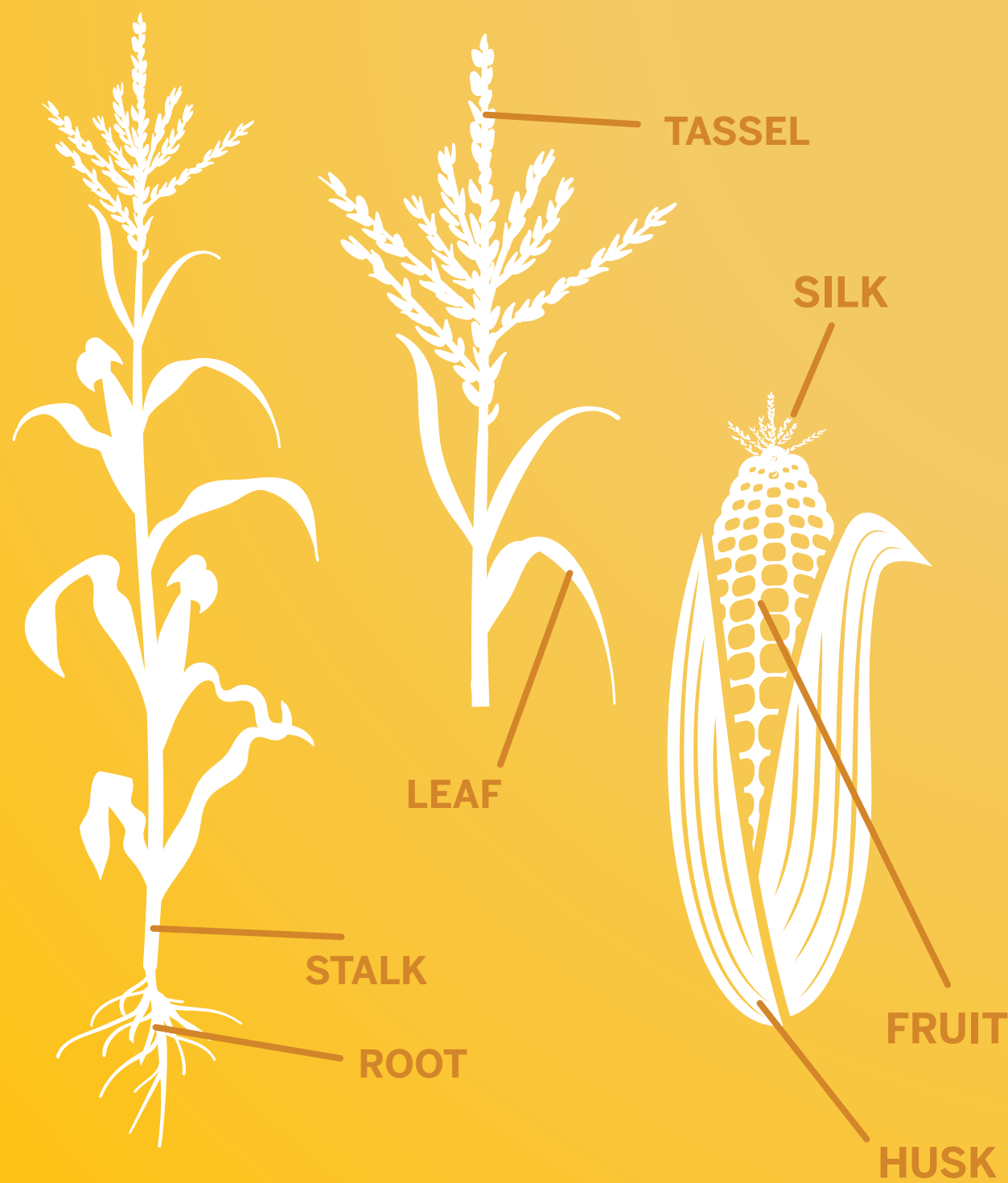


### POPCORN

- Popcorn retains moisture within the corn kernel.
- After the kernel is heated, the water builds up pressure and causes the kernel to pop.



## PARTS OF A CORN PLANT



## HOW CORN IS USED IN THE U.S.

### ETHANOL

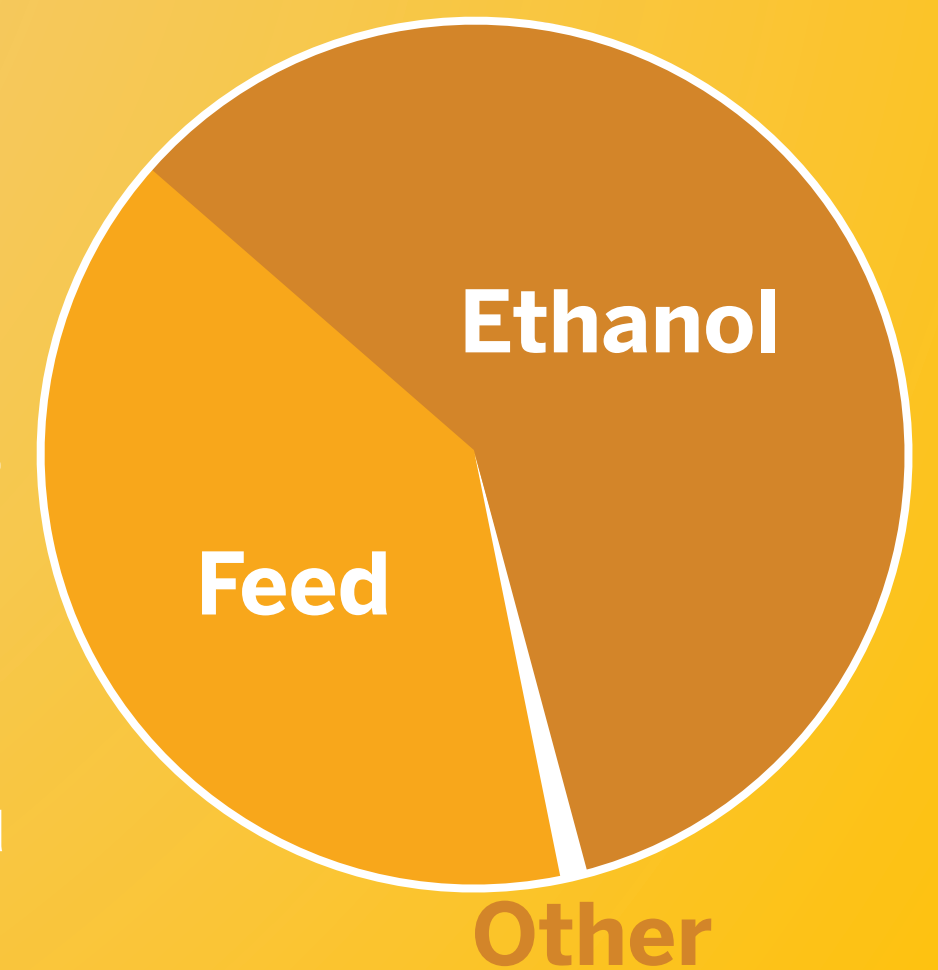
- Ethanol producers are turning corn into renewable fuel that people can use in their cars and other engines.
- Ethanol also produces distillers grains, which is commonly fed to animals as a wet or dry product.

### LIVESTOCK FEED

- About 40% of all corn grown in the United States is used to feed livestock. This includes: cattle, swine, and poultry.

### FOOD, SEED, & OTHER

- Less than 1%.



## WHEN IS CORN PLANTED IN TEXAS?

- South:** Planted in February to May
- Central:** Planted in late February to late May
- East:** Planted in late February to late May
- West:** Planted in late February to late May
- North:** Planted in mid-March-mid to mid-June
- Panhandle:** Planted in April to July



## TEXAS CORN FACTS

- Farmers plant more than 2 million acres that yield an average of 104 bushels.
- Corn takes about 120 days to reach maturity (the time to harvest).
- One bushel of corn equals:
 

13.5 lbs. of feed	33 lbs. of sweetener
38 boxes of cereal	258 six-packs of soda