



This is where your cheap egg comes from!

The Australian battery hen lives for approx. 18 months in a wire cage along with 2 to 4 other hens each in less space than an A4 sheet of paper.



Chickens are very intelligent social creatures but almost every natural behaviour is denied them. They cannot stretch their wings or dust bath nor find a secluded spot to lay their precious eggs.

Millions of day old male chicks are gassed or ground up alive each year as an unwanted industry by-product - they can't produce eggs. The female chicks will have the tips of their beaks painfully sliced through with a hot wire - this is called debeaking.

Never believe it when it is said that only happy healthy chickens will lay eggs. Even sick, injured or confined and de-beaked chickens will still do so because egg laying is a biological/sexual function. Egg production is now maximised through selective breeding, a high protein diet and extended lighting hours in the sheds.

Governments do not protect farm animals, in fact the law often excludes farm animals from protections demanded for our companion animals.

It will only be the weight of public opinion that will force changes to be made.

SO WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- Give up eggs.
- If you continue to eat eggs, eat only **CERTIFIED FREE RANGE EGGS**
- Demand your supermarket stock only certified free range eggs
- Write to your state MP demanding a phase out of the battery hen industry
- Write to the chicken industry demanding they phase out battery hens
- Join Animal Liberation Qld

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