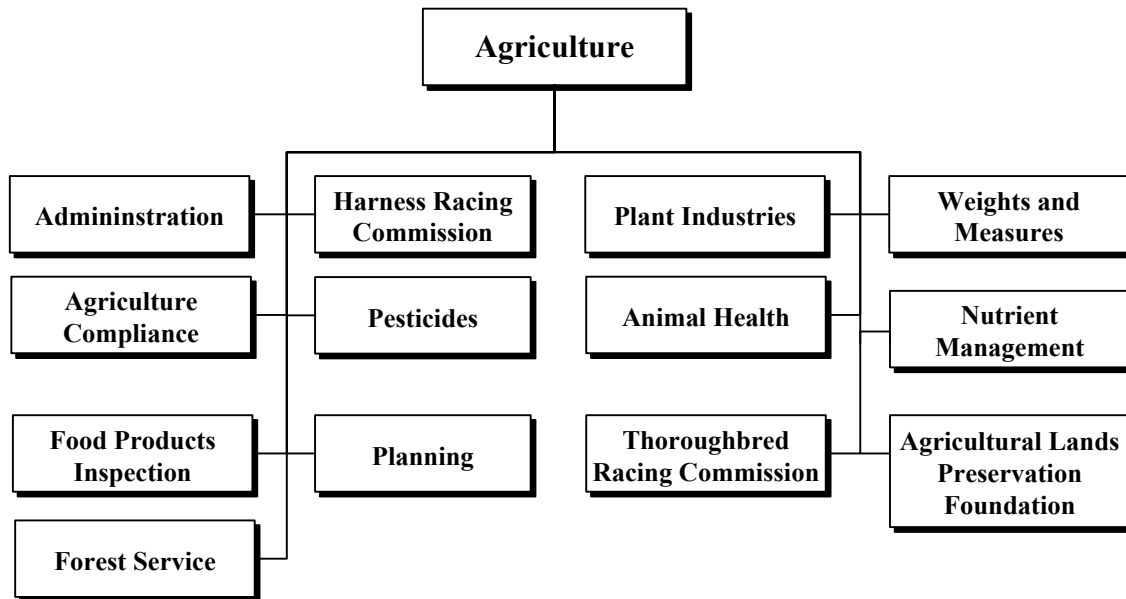


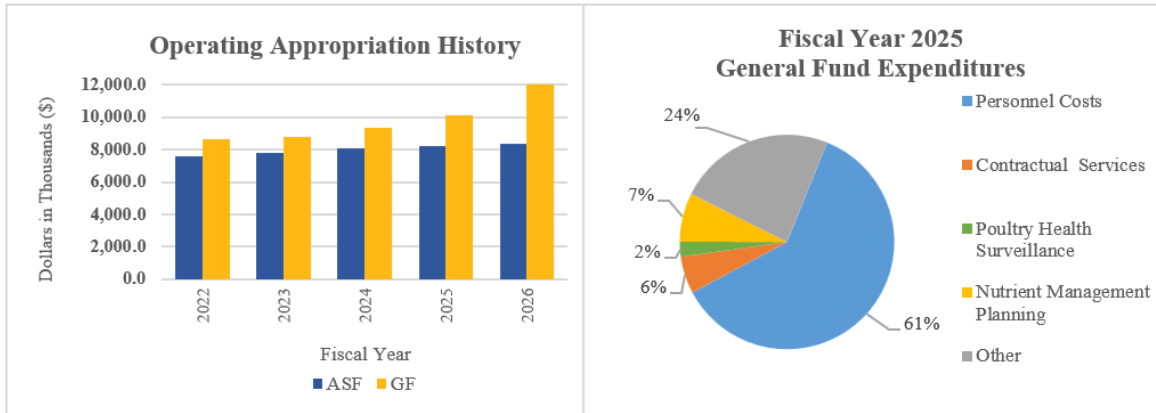
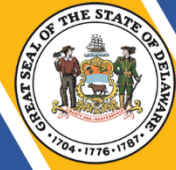
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At a Glance

- Maintain and increase agricultural profitability by identifying and supporting opportunities to expand the sale of Delaware's agricultural products, preserving the agricultural land base through the purchase of development rights and facilitating agricultural research;
- Maintain same-day response to all human, animal and plant health emergencies;
- Reduce residues, pathogens and contaminants in the food supply, and the risk of food-borne illness, through education and inspection;
- Develop and implement nutrient management practices to protect ground and surface waters while maintaining a viable agricultural industry; and
- Support fair commerce for Delaware's consumers by ensuring the integrity of weighing and measuring devices.

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Overview

The mission of the Delaware Department of Agriculture (DDA) is to sustain and promote the viability of food, fiber and agricultural industries in Delaware through quality services that protect and enhance the environment, health and welfare of the public.

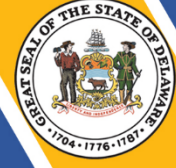
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Performance Measures

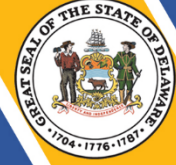
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65-01-01	Administration			
	\$ of specialty crop grant funding	341,692.44	341,000.00	340,000.00
	\$ of gross receipts for Delaware farmers markets (millions)	4,522,618.00	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00
	\$ of Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program Funding:			
	State	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
	Federal	60,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00
	* Includes funding allocated thorough American Rescue Plan Act			

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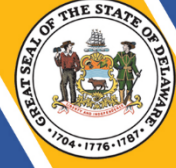
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65-01-02	Agriculture Compliance			
	# of samples tested for pet food/animal/livestock feed:			
	Official	243	243	243
	Submitted*	47	40	40
	# of samples tested for fertilizer and liming materials:			
	Official	180	180	180
	Submitted	49	40	40
	# of official samples tested for frozen desserts	45	45	45
65-01-03	# of submitted samples tested for livestock manure and poultry litter	383	525	525
	# of pet food/animal/livestock feed products approved for registration	20,295	20,000	20,000
	# of fertilizer and liming materials approved for registration	6,264	6,200	6,200
	<i>*Performance results have been impacted by COVID-19</i>			
	Food Products Inspection			
	# of food inspected, grade verified (millions):			
	Grade A poultry (lbs.)	737.8	800	800
65-01-03	Grade A eggs (dozens)	5.5	6	6
	Fruits and vegetables (lbs.)	.18	.25	.25
	# of retail shell egg graded inspection (approximately 450 stores):			
	Inspections*	125	450	450
	Violations	410	500	500
	# of food services safety training programs/ interactive encounters with various groups	68	75	80
	# of compliance enforcement actions taken for trucking companies, retail stores and state agencies:			
	Reviews	375	425	500
65-01-03	Product condemned (lbs.)	2,900	2,500	2,500
		40	25	25
	<i>*Performance results have been impacted by COVID-19</i>			

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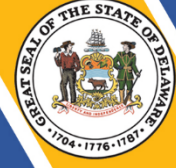
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65-01-04 Forest Service				
	% of timber harvests that follow a management plan (acres)	41	50	50
	% of incorporated communities recognized by the National Arbor Day Foundation as Tree City USA, recipients of a U&CF grant or those with a Tree Friendly Community (57 total incorporated communities)	36	50	50
	% of volunteer fire companies participating in wildfire-related programs (60 total VFCs)	81	70	70
	% of public K-4 elementary schools participating in Forest Service education programs (108 total schools)	77	75	75
65-01-05 Harness Racing Commission				
	% accreditation of commission's judges	92	100	100
	% oversight of racing events	100	100	100
	# of equine samples tested for prohibited medications:			
	Blood and urine	1692	1500	1500
	Blood only, include Cobalt	390	500	500
	# of out of competition tests*	276	250	250
	# of pre-race blood gas samples collected to determine metabolic alkalosis*	3018	2500	2500
	# of human samples tested for prohibited substances	28	100	100
	# of breathalyzer tests administered to licensees	7217	6500	6500
	# of racing participants licensed	858	1000	1000
	* Performance results have been impacted by COVID-19			

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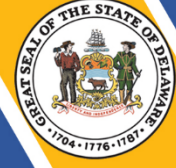
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65-01-06	Pesticides			
	% of sample analysis related to priority incidents	56	50	50
	# of pesticide containers recycled	2,500	40,000	40,000
	% of actionable inspections	19.8	30	30
	# of pesticide applicators certified	2,812	2,896	2,982
65-01-07	Planning			
	% of zoning and subdivision proposals reviewed affecting agriculture	60	60	60
65-01-08	Plant Industries			
	# of certified acres inspected	3,709	4,000	4,000
	% of businesses inspected for Seed Law compliance	75	70	70
	% of retail nursery locations inspected	41	40	42
	% of acres infested with noxious weeds treated or under a control program	80	80	80
	# of registered bee colonies inspected	668	800	800
	% of reviewed regulatory permits meeting requirements and reviewed within 10 days	94	100	100
	# of key pests in statewide survey	12	13	13
65-01-09	Animal Health			
	# of auction visits	45	45	45
	# of avian influenza (AI) tests	6,769	5,000	3,500
	# of positive AI tests	4	0	0
	# of hatchery visits	8	0*	0*
	# of equine infectious anemia tests performed	1,275	1,200	1,200
	% of human exposure rabies specimens with same-day turnaround time	95	95	95

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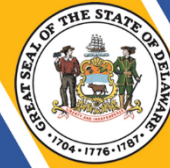
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	* Program ended			
65-01-10	Thoroughbred Racing Commission			
	% accreditation of commission's stewards	100	100	100
	% oversight of racing events	100	100	100
	# of equine samples tested for prohibitive medications	0	0	0
	# of pre-race blood gas samples collected to determine metabolic alkalosis	0	0	0
	# of equine samples collected and tested for blood doping agents pursuant to out of competition testing program	0	0	0
	# of applicants licensed	4,321	4,000	4,000
65-01-11	Weights and Measures			
	# of consumer complaints	76	80	80
	# of small/large scales:	6097	6100	6200
	Tested	4507	4600	4800
	Rejected	356	300	250
	# of truck scales:	295	295	297
	Tested	70	100	150
	Rejected	15	5	5
	# of petroleum meters:	13411	13456	13480
	Inspected	12485	12600	13000
	Rejected	2721	2600	2600
	# of vehicle tank meters:	422	425	430
	Tested	250	270	300
	Rejected	57	55	55
	# of moisture meters:	76	76	76
	Tested	75	76	76
	Rejected	3	0	0
# of Delaware State Police enforcement scales:	50	50	50	
Tested	42	50	50	
Rejected	1	0	0	
# of package lots:				
Compliance tested	187	200	250	
Audited	85	200	250	
Rejected*	124	125	150	

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	# of price verifications: Performed	372	400	400
	Failed	10	20	20
	# of technicians registered	370	375	380
	# of licensed weighmasters	705	720	730
	# of gas samples: Checked for octane compliance			
	Sent to fuel lab for further testing	2	2	2
	Rejected	0	0	0
<i>* Performance results have been impacted by COVID-19</i>				
65-01-12	Nutrient Management			
	Poultry litter-manure relocated within Delaware for land application (tons)	7,094	10,000	8,000
	Poultry litter-manure exported from Delaware for land application (tons)	31,710	25,000	30,000
	Poultry litter-manure relocated to an alternative use project (tons)	13,224	14,000	14,000
	% of cropland and nutrient applied land managed under a current plan developed by a certified consultant	82	85	85
	# of acres reported under an updated nutrient management plan*	224,981	350,000	345,000
	# of nutrient consultants	138	150	150
	# of commercial handlers	92	200	200
	# of private applicators	735	800	800
	# of nutrient generators	307	330	330
	# of nutrient management farm audits*	27	170	120
	# of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) farm audits performed	192	504	500
	# of constituent complaints: Received			
	Resolved	20	30	30
	# of notice of intents for CAFO permits	192	504	500

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65-01-13	Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation			
	# of new acres of prime farmland permanently preserved	2,883	2,500	2,500
	# of new participants in the Young Farmers program	1	3	3