

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AND FORESTRY**



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THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry is charged with overseeing the affairs of two of the state's largest industries -- agriculture and forestry. To that end, the agency is responsible for administering the laws, rules and regulations of the state regarding the growing, harvesting, processing, storage and sale of crop and livestock commodities.

To affect these goals, the department is divided into six divisions: one serves the financial, personnel and administrative management functions of the agency; and the other five are largely regulatory, serving to enforce the laws and regulations that govern the growing, harvesting, processing and distribution of Louisiana crops and livestock.

More specifically, the laws, rules and regulations govern the use of pesticides; the quality of fertilizers and seeds; the protection of animal health and food safety; the storage of grains; the inspection of fruits, vegetables, meats, major row crops and eggs; programs to ensure the health and long-term viability of our soil and water resources, the regulation of florists and nurserymen; the policing of livestock and rural farm theft; the registration of livestock brands; the calibration of motor fuel pumps; the calibration of all instruments that weigh and measure items for commercial sale and the growing of forestry seedling stock.

These laws, rules and regulations also ensure that the food is safe to eat and that it is prepared in sanitary processing facilities and that our forests are replanted for sustainability and protected from diseases and fire.

The department also works with other state, regional, national and international sectors of business and government to fulfill its goal of providing general oversight services for many of the affairs of rural Louisiana.

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) is made up of the following offices:

Office of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (AES)

Office of Agro-Consumer Services (ACS)

Office of Animal Health and Food Safety (AHFS)

Office of Forestry

Office of Management and Finance (OMF)

Office of Soil and Water Conservation (SWC)



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OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Office of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences administers the provisions of law relating to fertilizers, agricultural liming materials, boll weevil eradication, sweet potato diseases, crop pests and diseases, seeds, feeds, pesticides, horticulture, and apiaries. Statutes administered by the Office include R.S. 3:16,19, 20, 1024 and 1025, 1381-1430.13, 1431-1449, 1601-1617, 1651-1656, 1731-1736, 1741-1748, 1771-1775, 2301-2311, 2351-2354, 3201-3391.12, 3396.1-3396.6, 3801-3816; and R.S. 36:621 and 628. The Office receives its authority under R.S. 36:628(C). The Office is comprised of four divisions: Agricultural Chemistry Programs, Horticulture and Quarantine Programs, Pesticide and Environmental Programs, and Seed Programs.

The Horticulture & Quarantine Programs Division monitors for and provides for the prevention, control, and eradication of regulated and exotic crop pests or diseases endangering Louisiana's agricultural (food and fiber), forestry, horticultural, and apiary industries and the environment; ensures that products certified for export from Louisiana are free from regulated pests; and oversees the qualifications and practices of persons engaged in the green industry. This Division licenses and permits horticulture related businesses, and inspects, samples, surveys, monitors, and oversees control or eradication efforts for plant pests, including boll weevil. These activities are accomplished through the implementation and enforcement of the Horticulture Law, Boll Weevil Eradication Law, Crop Pests and Diseases Law, Sweet Potato Diseases Law and Apiary Law. Additionally, this Division partners with USDA and the LSU AgCenter for many of its quarantine or regulated pest activities, safeguarding agriculture and the environment for Louisiana stakeholders with the greatest efficiency and effectiveness possible.

The Pesticide and Environmental Programs Division inspects, enforces and regulates the registration, distribution, sale, offering for sale, and application of pesticides. The Division regulates, trains and certifies Private and Commercial Pesticide Applicators, Structural Pest Control Applicators, Restricted Use Pesticide (RUP) Salespersons, Agricultural Consultants, and Worker Protection Standards (WPS) Trainers, as well as regulates and licenses or permits respective businesses. The Division also monitors the state's water resources for pesticides and participates in affiliated federal programs such as Endangered Species and Worker Protection.

The Seed Programs Division is charged with ensuring that seed sold for planting purposes meets seed label guarantees and quality standards. In doing so, it prevents Louisiana from becoming a dumping ground for low quality planting seed and ensures that a mechanism is in place to provide a reliable source of high quality seed from superior new crop varieties for Louisiana producers. The responsibilities of the Seed Programs Division are: 1) Enforcement of the Seed Laws and Regulations; 2) Management of the Seed Certification Program; and 3) Operation of the Official State Seed Testing Laboratory.

The Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division is responsible for administering state laws and regulations which regulate the manufacturing and sale of animal feeds, pet foods, fertilizers and agricultural liming materials for the purpose of ensuring that the products meet the standards outlined in state and federal law and to ensure that those products do not endanger the environment or public health. The Agricultural Chemistry Laboratory is responsible for analyzing agricultural chemicals and other farm input components as part of regulatory enforcement of feed, fertilizers, and agricultural lime. It is the testing laboratory for the Division of Pesticide and Environmental Programs, providing analysis in the enforcement of the Pesticide Law. Agricultural Chemistry also provides analytical support for the Office of Animal Health Services, the LSU AgCenter and the general public.

A statewide force of agricultural environmental specialists carry out field inspections and investigations to ensure compliance with laws and are spread across the state in seven districts. These specialists are cross-trained in all Office programs to ensure proficiency in each area. Violators of regulations may be issued warnings or brought before a commission to answer alleged violations.

MISSION

The mission of the Office of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences is to ensure that animal feeds, pet foods, fertilizers, agricultural liming materials and pesticides meet all requirements of law; to monitor, prevent, control and eradicate plant pests and diseases that threaten Louisiana's agriculture, environment and economy; to facilitate agricultural exports through certification of products; to oversee the qualifications and practices of persons engaged in the green industry; to protect human health and the environment by ensuring the proper labeling, distribution, storage, use, application and disposal of pesticides, and through enforcement of all pesticide laws; to ensure that seed sold for planting meets label guarantees and quality standards; and to ensure a safe, abundant supply of food and fiber.

GOAL

The goals of the Office of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences are to: 1) assure, through sampling and inspection, that feed, fertilizer, lime, horticultural products, imported and exported agricultural products, pesticides, and seeds meet or exceed the quality standards set by federal and Louisiana laws, rules, and regulations; and 2) through licensing, certification, surveillance and training, assure a level of competency in services and products provided by those industries regulated in an effort to protect the public and the environment.

OBJECTIVE 1

The Horticulture & Quarantine Programs Division will continue to monitor for and provide for the prevention, control, and eradication of regulated and exotic crop pests or diseases endangering Louisiana's agricultural (food and fiber), forestry, horticultural, and apiary industries and the environment; ensure that products certified for export from Louisiana are free from regulated pests; and oversee the qualifications and practices of persons engaged in the green industry. This Division licenses and permits horticulture related businesses, and inspects, samples, surveys, monitors, and oversees eradication efforts for plant pests, including boll weevil. These activities are accomplished through the implementation and enforcement of the

Horticulture Law and Regulations (R.S. 3:3801-3816 and LAC 7:XXIX.101-123); Crop Pests and Disease Law and Plant Protection and Quarantine Regulations (R.S. 3:1651-1656 and LAC 7:XV.101-327); Sweet Potato Diseases Law (R.S. 3:1731-1736); Louisiana Apiary Law and Regulations (R.S. 3:2301-2311 and LAC 7:XXI.2501-2521); and the Boll Weevil Eradication Law (R.S. 3:1601-1617). Additionally, this Division partners with USDA and the LSU AgCenter for many of its quarantine or regulated pest activities, safeguarding agriculture and the environment for Louisiana stakeholders with the greatest efficiency and effectiveness possible.

- STRATEGY 1.1** Protect the public and the environment of Louisiana by overseeing the qualifications and practices of persons engaged in the green industry through effective licensing, permitting, and enforcement activities.
- Administer and grade examinations in the following professions: Landscape Architect, Landscape Horticulturist, Landscape Irrigation Contractor, Arborist, Utility Arborist, Retail Florist, and Wholesale Florist.
 - Process applications and issue licenses in the above professions and permits/registrations in the occupations of Nursery Stock Dealer, Cut Flower Dealer, Sweet Potato Dealer and Beekeeper.
 - Confirm compliance with license and permit requirements, and investigate complaints of violations.
 - Conduct adjudicatory hearings of possible violators.

- STRATEGY 1.2** Safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana’s agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our ‘green industry’ economies, and to enable and increase the exportation of Louisiana agricultural products, by conducting effective surveillance (inspections, sampling, surveying, monitoring) and eradication/management efforts for plant and honeybee pests and ensuring that materials are free from injurious pests and diseases.
- Inspect, sample, and certify nurseries for pest freedom to allow for shipment of products.
 - Inspect, survey, and monitor for sweet potato weevil to manage populations and prevent spread to weevil-free areas and to other states.
 - Inspect, sample, and certify agricultural commodities to ensure pest freedom for export to other states and countries.
 - Conduct effective post entry inspections of propagative stock or commodities entering Louisiana to ensure freedom of plant pests of quarantine concern.
 - Conduct effective surveys for plant pests currently not known to exist in Louisiana and eradicate or manage any that may be detected.
 - Review applications and provide regulatory oversight of permits for field testing of genetically engineered crops.

- Provide for the registration of beekeepers and their colonies.
- Perform effective inspections and certification of honeybees for interstate movement.
- Provide regulatory oversight for the importation of honeybees into the U.S. through Louisiana for research purposes.

STRATEGY 1.3

Conduct an effective boll weevil eradication program in the state.

- Effectively survey and monitor all acres of cotton in the state for boll weevils.
- Effectively treat any acres of cotton in the state are found to be infested with boll weevil.
- Utilize available technologies and Best Management Practices to efficiently maintain Louisiana's boll weevil-free status.
- Continue survey and monitoring activities to prevent reintroduction of boll weevil into Louisiana.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

Horticulture Commission:

Percent of Horticulture non-compliance notices resulting in a hearing
 Horticulture notices of non-compliance issued
 Adjudicatory cases heard
 Number of Horticulture professional licensing exams administered
 Number of Horticulture professional licenses issued
 Number of Horticulture occupational permits issued

Plant Pest Quarantine Programs

Number of nursery shipping tags issued
 Inspections for Imported Fire Ant certification
 Nursery certificate permits issued
 Surveys completed for non-indigenous pests
 Phytosanitary export certificates issued
 Plant pest quarantine related investigations
 Post entry quarantine inspections
 Plant pest quarantine related compliance inspections
 Transgenic crop applications processed
 Transgenic crop field trials inspected
 Percent weevil damage to sweet potatoes entering processing facilities
 Percent sweet potato acres weevil free
 Properties where sweet potato weevils detected in weevil-free areas
 Sweet potato regulatory inspections
 Sweet potato dealer permits issued
 Honeybee shipments certified for out of state movement
 Queen and package honeybee producers certified
 Beekeepers registered

Boll Weevil Program:

Percentage of Cotton Acres Weevil Free
Cotton Boll Weevils Trapped

Customers: the general population of Louisiana.

Limiting Factors: reduction of authorized positions, federal budget cuts, appearance of a quarantine pest that results in resource expenditures beyond capacity.

OBJECTIVE 2

The Office of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Pesticide and Environmental Programs Division will continue to protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests. This program will address complaints, priority concerns, and initiatives through participation in community based environmental protection in addition to developing programs for pollution prevention and promotion of risk reduction/mitigation. The Division is administered under R.S. 3:19, 20, 3201-3391.13(Chapter 20, Pesticide Law), and LAC Title 7 Parts XXIII (Pesticides) and XXV (Structural Pest Control). The Division participates in cooperative agreements with EPA, USDA and FDA pursuant to the Federal Insecticide Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) as amended; the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, (7 U.S.C. 136i-1); Section 713 of Title VII (General Provisions) of Division A of the Public Law 108-7; and the Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 301 et seq.).

STRATEGY 2.1

Maintain procedures for registration of any pesticide sold, offered for sale or distributed in Louisiana.

- Maintain current database of registered pesticides with copy of labels and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) available via computer access.
- Conduct random inspections on dealers, distributors and in the market place to locate unregistered pesticides, canceled or suspended pesticides, misbranded and/or pesticides that are not suitable for sale or use.
- Administer Emergency Exemptions (Section 18's) and State Special Local Need Registrations (Section 24c's).

STRATEGY 2.2

Provide for enforcement of and compliance with the Louisiana Pesticide Law and pursuant rules and regulations.

- Maintain inspector staff thoroughly trained in techniques of investigating possible violations.
- Investigate all reports of complaints dealing with pesticides in a timely fashion.

- Perform routine inspections on sources of pesticide use and take action to assure compliance when violations are noted.

STRATEGY 2.3

Provide for certification and training for all pesticide applicators that apply any pesticide for a fee or apply or supervise the application of any restricted use pesticide.

- Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center Cooperative Extension Service to provide for the education and training of pesticide applicators.
- Require that certification shall be issued only after the applicant has satisfactorily passed an examination.
- Perform routine inspections at certification/recertification meetings to assure that minimum standards of education are met.
- Maintain a database of all certified pesticide applicators.

STRATEGY 2.4

Provide for licensing of businesses engaged in the application of pesticides.

- Review applications for licenses to assure compliance with the requirements for licensing.
- Perform routine inspections of businesses applying pesticides to assure compliance.
- Maintain a database of all businesses licensed under the Louisiana Pesticide Law.

STRATEGY 2.5

Provide clean and safe water in Louisiana by minimizing, mitigating, and preventing pesticide contamination.

- Maintain a water (surface and ground) sampling program for monitoring the presence of pesticides in water.
- Provide for determinations and assessments of levels of pesticides detected and determine actions and responses to such detections.

STRATEGY 2.6

Provide for the determination and remedial actions in order to protect health and the environment from pesticide waste.

- Perform investigations of any circumstances relating to the presence of pesticide waste in the state that poses a threat of reasonable expectation of a threat to health or the environment.
- Perform evaluations of pesticide waste sites and make determinations of remedial actions.

STRATEGY 2.7 Provide Louisiana citizens with clean and safe supply of raw agricultural products where pesticides are used.

- Maintain sampling procedures on Louisiana’s raw agricultural products for monitoring of pesticide residues in our food safety sampling program.
- Make determinations for remedial action if pesticide residues are detected above the standards established.

STRATEGY 2.8 Provide for the protection of Louisiana’s agricultural workers from exposure to pesticides.

- Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center Cooperative Extension Service to provide for the education and training of agricultural employers and workers on how to protect themselves from pesticide exposure.
- Maintain verification of workers and handlers that have received Worker Protection Standards training.
- Perform routine inspections of agricultural facilities to assure compliance with the Worker Protection Standards.

STRATEGY 2.9 Provide for minimizing adverse effects of pesticide applications on Louisiana’s endangered species.

- Continue to develop a pesticide management plan to mitigate potential pesticide risks to the species.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

Number of verified environmental incidences by improper pesticide application

Number of pesticide complaints.

Number of inspections

Number of residue samples analyzed

Pesticide products out of compliance

Number of pesticides registered.

Number of pesticide product formulations analyzed.

Number of marketplace inspections.

Number of dealer inspections.

Number of producer establishments inspections

Enforcement actions on products

Applicators out of compliance

Number of certified applicators

Number of uncertified applicators

Health-related complaints confirmed

Health-related incidents reported\inspected

Customers: farmers, growers, applicators and Louisiana citizens

Limiting Factors: reduction of authorized positions, unfunded federal mandates, federal budget cuts

OBJECTIVE 3

The Office of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division will regulate the sale and use of animal feeds, pet foods, fertilizers, and agricultural liming materials; ensure that these products meet standards set forth by the Association of American Feed Control Officials, the Association of American Plant Food Control Officials, the Federal Food and Drug Administration and the state of Louisiana as provided for in LRS Title 3, Chapter 10-A, Sections 1381-1430.13 (Feed and Fertilizers) and LAC Title 7 Parts XI, XVII, and XIX; and provide analytical services for the Pesticide and Environmental Programs Division, and the LSU AgCenter.

STRATEGY 3.1 Inspect the manufacturing sites and retail outlets where these products are produced or housed to ensure good manufacturing practices, proper storage, and correct labeling.

STRATEGY 3.2 Take samples of the products and submit them to the laboratory for chemical analyses to ensure quality and safety and ensure that they meet label guarantees.

STRATEGY 3.3 Investigate consumer complaints related to alleged problems arising from the use of these products.

STRATEGY 3.4 Work closely with manufacturers to reduce deficiencies and ensure that products do not harm crops, animals, humans, or the environment.

STRATEGY 3.5 Maintain records of registration of products, inspections, analyses, and all other pertinent data.

STRATEGY 3.6 Provide analyses of pesticide formulation samples and samples for pesticide residue for the purpose of enforcement of the Louisiana Pesticide Law.

STRATEGY 3.7 Provide analyses for research scientists in the L.S.U. Agricultural Experimental Station.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

Percentage of feed sold that meets guarantees and standards.

Percentage of fertilizer and lime sold that meets guarantees and standards.

Dollar amount of penalties paid to farmers.

Dollar amount of penalties paid to state.

Total tons of feed tested.

Total tons of fertilizer and agricultural lime tested.

Number of regulatory feed samples.
Number of regulatory fertilizer and agricultural lime samples.

Customers: farmers, Louisiana citizens
Limiting Factors: reduction of authorized positions

OBJECTIVE 4

The Office of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Seed Programs Division, which is authorized under R. S. 3:1431-1449, will continue to prevent Louisiana from becoming a dumping ground for low quality seeds by making sure seed being offered for sale meets quality standards and truth-in-labeling requirements. This program also administers the Seed Certification Program that ensures a mechanism is in place to provide a reliable source of high quality seed from superior new crop varieties for Louisiana producers. The state seed testing laboratory is the only seed testing and certification facility available to farmers and consumers in the state. Out-of-state commercial seed testing laboratories charge four to six times more for their services.

- STRATEGY 4.1** Reduce selling of low quality agricultural seeds, vegetable seeds and lawn/turf seeds to farmers and consumers.
- Prevent Louisiana from becoming a dumping ground for poor quality seeds by randomly sampling agricultural seeds to ensure “truth-in-labeling”.
 - Regulatory testing ensures varietal purity, freedom of noxious weeds and information valuable to farmers to determine planting rates.
 - Maintain cooperative agreement with USDA Seed Branch in assisting in enforcement of the Federal Seed Act.
- STRATEGY 4.2** Provide quality control service for businesses selling seeds.
- Serve as a quality control laboratory for seedsmen to check and monitor the condition of their seeds in stock and as a means to obtain germination percentages to update the “test date” on lots of seed offered for sale (all agricultural and most vegetable seeds have a date of test on the label and the seed can legally be sold for only 9 months, inclusive of the month of “*test date*” on tag).
- STRATEGY 4.3** Provide non-biased investigations and documentation of seed quality, labeling and field stand complaints.
- Maintain inspector staff thoroughly trained in the most current techniques and to apply those investigative techniques to seed complaints that could lead to civil litigation.
- STRATEGY 4.4** Provide seed testing services for those companies or individuals wanting standard or special seed tests on agricultural, vegetable, lawn or forest

seeds.

- Perform standard purity and germination tests so that seedsmen can label seed lots.
- Perform special vigor tests to aid farmers to more accurately project actual field emergence of seeds planted.

STRATEGY 4.5

Educate seedsmen, farmers and consumers of the requirements of the Louisiana Seed Law and its pursuant rules and regulations.

- Educating and offering compliance assistance to seed dealers, farmers and consumers is a prerequisite to enforcement and is a continuous process as new people enter the business.

STRATEGY 4.6

Provide accurate analyses of seed lots used in state highway contracts and in Soil Conservation Service (SCS)/Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) Programs.

- Provide analysis reports on seed lots used in highway construction projects. Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) law requires that a contractor must produce analysis reports from the Louisiana State Seed Testing Laboratory in order to be reimbursed for seed lots used in a public job.
- Provide analysis reports to farmers on seed lots they have planted in order for them to receive program payments for SCS or ASCS.

STRATEGY 4.7

Maintain genetic purity and physical quality of superior crop varieties.

- Inspect seed fields to determine if requirements are met as set forth in the Louisiana Seed Certification Standards.
- Make provisions for roguing out undesirable plant types and noxious weeds.
- Collect samples and perform laboratory analysis to determine eligibility for certification.

STRATEGY 4.8

Provide a mechanism whereby Louisiana seed companies may export seed to European countries who are members of the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

- Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with USDA to carry out OECD seed schemes.
- Inspect seed fields to determine OECD eligibility.

STRATEGY 4.9

Perform phytosanitary inspections of seed fields to facilitate seed exports.

- Inspect fields to determine the presence or absence of organisms of concern to importing countries.
- Issue reports to accompany seeds in transit to other countries verifying presence or absence of specific organisms.

STRATEGY 4.10

Maintain records to ensure the identity of all certified seed is preserved.

- Require that grower names, field numbers and proof relating to source of seed be submitted with application for certification.
- Require seed companies and producers to use bulk-shipping reports when moving bulk seed that is eligible for certification across state lines.
- Require certified seed processors to maintain strict records to ensure the integrity of certified seed lots is not jeopardized in processing.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

Percent of seed samples tested within tolerance

Number of seed samples tested

Number of seed samples tested within tolerance

Number of licensed seed dealers

Percent of acres petitioned for certification that meet the requirements of Standards

Number of participating farmers

Number of acres potentially planted from the production of Louisiana certified seed

Number of acres petitioned for certification

Number of acres petitioned for certification that meet the requirements of Standards

**Louisiana is one of only five states that produce certified rice seed.

***Louisiana is the only state that produces certified sugarcane seed.

Customers: farmers, growers, retail seed dealers, seed distributors, certified seed growers, cattlemen and citizens of Louisiana.

Limiting factors: reduction of authorized positions

Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Horticulture Commission
Activity:	Horticulture Commission
Objective:	The Horticulture Commission continues the office's efforts to protect the public and the environment of Louisiana by conducting effective licensing, permitting, and enforcement activities overseeing the qualifications and practices of persons engaged in the green industry.
Indicator Name:	Percent of horticulture non-compliance notices resulting in a hearing
LaPAS PI Code:	22735
Type & Level	Outcome; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Effective inspections and investigations on persons engaged in the green industry will increase public trust and awareness, maximizing voluntary compliance and better identify illegal activity. This indicator measures the percent of non-compliance notices that resulted into an appearance before the commission.
Use:	This data provides a measure of enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from the sum of all non-compliance notices issued and the sum of all adjudicatory cases heard.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by dividing the number of adjudicatory cases heard by the total number of non-compliance notices issued to generate the percentage of horticulture non-compliance notices resulting in a hearing.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Ansel Rankins, Horticulture and Quarantine Programs Director, Telephone: 225-952-8100, Fax: 225-923-4904, Email: arankins@ldaf.la.gov

Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Horticulture Commission
Activity:	Horticulture Commission
Objective:	The Horticulture Commission continues the office's efforts to protect the public and the environment of Louisiana by conducting effective licensing, permitting, and enforcement activities overseeing the qualifications and practices of persons engaged in the green industry.
Indicator Name:	Horticulture notices of non-compliance issued
LaPAS PI Code:	22736
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Effective inspections and investigations will increase public trust and awareness maximizing voluntary compliance and better identify illegal activity. This indicator measures the number of individuals/businesses found in violation of the Horticulture Law through routine field inspections and investigations.
Use:	This data provides a measure of enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from the sum of all non-compliance notices issued.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all notice of non-compliance issued.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Ansel Rankins, Horticulture and Quarantine Programs Director, Telephone: 225-952-8100, Fax: 225-923-4904, Email: arankins@ldaf.la.gov

Performance Indicator Documentation

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Activity:	Horticulture Commission
Objective:	The Horticulture Commission continues the office's efforts to protect the public and the environment of Louisiana by conducting effective licensing, permitting, and enforcement activities overseeing the qualifications and practices of persons engaged in the green industry.
Indicator Name:	Adjudicatory cases heard
LaPAS PI Code:	22737
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Effective inspections and investigations will increase public trust and awareness maximizing voluntary compliance and better identify illegal activity. This indicator measures the number of individuals/businesses brought before the commission .
Use:	This data provides a measure of enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from the sum of all adjudicatory cases heard.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all adjudicatory cases.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Ansel Rankins, Horticulture and Quarantine Programs Director, Telephone: 225-952-8100, Fax: 225-923-4904, Email: arankins@ldaf.la.gov

Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Horticulture Commission
Activity:	Horticulture Commission
Objective:	The Horticulture Commission continues the office's efforts to protect the public and the environment of Louisiana by conducting effective licensing, permitting, and enforcement activities overseeing the qualifications and practices of persons engaged in the green industry.
Indicator Name:	Number of Horticulture professional licensing exams administered
LaPAS PI Code:	22738
Type & Level	Outcome; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	A professional Horticulture license is required to perform various green industry activities. This indicator measures the number of persons interested in obtaining a professional license.
Use:	This data provides the number of persons interested in obtaining a professional license. This information will be used for internal management purposes.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from the sum of all professional licensing exams administered.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all professional licensing exams administered
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Activity:	Horticulture Commission
Objective:	The Horticulture Commission continues the office's efforts to protect the public and the environment of Louisiana by conducting effective licensing, permitting, and enforcement activities overseeing the qualifications and practices of persons engaged in the green industry.
Indicator Name:	Number of Horticulture professional licenses issued
LaPAS PI Code:	22739
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator measures the number of persons licensed in various green industry activities.
Use:	This data will be used for internal management purposes to determine the number of persons engaged in the green industry.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of applications received for professional licensure.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all professional licenses issued.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Objective:	The Horticulture Commission continues the office's efforts to protect the public and the environment of Louisiana by conducting effective licensing, permitting, and enforcement activities overseeing the qualifications and practices of persons engaged in the green industry.
Indicator Name:	Number of Horticulture occupational permits issued.
LaPAS PI Code:	22740
Type & Level	Outcome; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator measures the number of persons permitted in various green industry activities.
Use:	This data provides a measure of enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of applications received for occupational permits.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all occupational permits issued.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Ansel Rankins, Horticulture and Quarantine Programs Director, Telephone: 225-952-8100, Fax: 225-923-4904, Email: arankins@ldaf.la.gov

Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Number of nursery shipping tags issued
LaPAS PI Code:	22741
Type & Level	Input; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Nursery tags are required for all out of state shipments. This indicator measures the number of shipments of Louisiana nursery stock going to other states.
Use:	This data will be used for internal management purposes to determine the number of shipments of Louisiana nursery stock going to other states.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from the sum of nurseries requesting nursery tags for shipping nursery stock from Louisiana to other states.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all nursery tag orders.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Inspections for Imported Fire Ant certification
LaPAS PI Code:	22742
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	LDAF maintains a Cooperative Agreement with the USDA-APHIS-PPQ for the certification of nursery stock and other regulated articles as free from the imported fire ant. Louisiana is identified generally infested with this pest and any regulated commodities moving in interstate commerce to areas free from the imported fire ant must be certified in accordance with current federal imported fire ant quarantine guidelines. This indicator was chosen because it is a reliable measure of the number of nurseries seeking pest free certification in order to ship nursery stock from Louisiana to other states.
Use:	This data provides a list of active participants and a means to monitor treatments, collect regulatory soil samples and other routine compliance activities that will allow nurserymen wishing to ship nursery stock into imported fire ant-free areas in the United States and other countries.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from inspection reports and phyto sanitary certificates issued for honey bees movement.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all imported fire certification inspections performed at nurseries, pollinators and various other businesses that ship regulated articles out of the IFA quarantined area.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Nursery certificate permits issued
LaPAS PI Code:	22752
Type & Level	Input; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator measures the number of nurseries permitted to grow and sell nursery stock .
Use:	This data will direct compliance and enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of applications received for nursery permits.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all permits issued to individuals and businesses that grow plants.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Surveys completed for non-indigenous pests
LaPAS PI Code:	22743
Type & Level	Input; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator measures the number of surveys and inspections that allow LDAF to certify commodities for export to other states or countries. Without this certification, product markets may be limited or in some cases eliminated because the receiving state or country will not accept the product.
Use:	This data provides valuable information to industry stakeholders and regulatory state/federal agencies the status of non-indigenous pests in Louisiana.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from the sum of all survey activity.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all pest surveys
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Phytosanitary export certificates issued
LaPAS PI Code:	22744
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Phytosanitary certification are required for honeybees, farm equipment, plant products, including lumber, grains and seeds being exported to other states and countries. This indicator measures the number of certificates for agricultural products going to other states and countries.
Use:	This data will be used for internal management purposes to determine the number of certificates for agricultural products going to other countries.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of certificates issued at the end the fiscal year
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all phytosanitary certificates issue.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Plant pest quarantine related investigations
LaPAS PI Code:	22745
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Effective inspections and investigations on pest of regulatory concern will increase stakeholder trust and awareness, maximizing voluntary compliance and better identify illegal activity. This indicator measures number of plant pest related investigations.
Use:	This data provides a measure of enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from the number of field investigations reported.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all quarantine related investigations.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Ansel Rankins, Horticulture and Quarantine Programs Director, Telephone: 225-952-8100, Fax: 225-923-4904, Email: arankins@ldaf.la.gov

Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Post entry quarantine inspections
LaPAS PI Code:	22753
Type & Level	Input; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator measures the number post entry inspections performed on foreign plant stock for potential plant pest problems over a two-year period. The state maintains full responsibility for this program through a MOU with USDA. Each year LDAF inspects and tracks post entry plant material at a limited number of nursery grower, research and homeowner locations.
Use:	This data provides a measure of post entry plant material for the surveillance of plant pest.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from the number of post entry field inspection performed.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all post entry inspections
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Plant pest quarantine related compliance inspections
LaPAS PI Code:	22754
Type & Level	Input; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	To ensure that all plant products, including nursery stock remain free of plant pest. Maintaining a pest-free status reflects the success of our compliance inspections. This indicator measures the quality of plant products offered for sale in Louisiana.
Use:	This data provides a measure of enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from the sum of all field inspections on plant material for plant pest compliance.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all quarantine related compliance inspections.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Transgenic crop applications processed
LaPAS PI Code:	22755
Type & Level	Input; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our objective is to permit applications for the importation, movement or environmental release of certain transgenic crops, while safeguarding Louisiana agriculture, environment and citizens. This indicator measures the number of transgenic crop applications.
Use:	This data provides a measure of compliance activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from the sum of all applications received for transgenic crops.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all transgenic crop applications.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Transgenic crop field trials inspected
LaPAS PI Code:	22756
Type & Level	Outcome; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our objective is to permit applications for the importation, movement or environmental release of certain transgenic crops, while safeguarding Louisiana agriculture, environment and citizens. This indicator measures the number of transgenic crop field trails inspected.
Use:	This data provides a measure of enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of applications received for occupational permits.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all transgenic crop field trails inspected.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Percent weevil damage to sweet potatoes entering processing facilities
LaPAS PI Code:	22746
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our objective is to prevent the spread of the sweet potato weevil to North Louisiana and to certify that all shipments of sweet potatoes from Louisiana are apparently free from sweet potato weevil, as required by other state. This indicator measures the quality of sweet potatoes entering processing facilities.
Use:	This data provides standard quality measurement for sweet potatoes entering processing facilities and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from the processing facilities
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation provided by the processing facilities arrived by dividing the number of symptomatic sweet potatoes entering the facility by the total numbers of sweet potatoes destined to be processed at the facility.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Percent sweet potato acres weevil free
LaPAS PI Code:	22747
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our objective is to prevent the spread of the sweet potato weevil to North Louisiana and to certify that all shipments of sweet potatoes from Louisiana are apparently free from sweet potato weevil, as required by other state. This indicator measures the quality of sweet potatoes entering processing facilities.
Use:	This data provides standard quality measurement for sweet potatoes entering processing facilities and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from mapping devices for all sweet potato field acreage.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation provided by the processing facilities arrived by dividing the total weevil free acres by the total number of acres statewide.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Properties where Sweet Potato weevils detected in weevil-free areas
LaPAS PI Code:	6366
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our objective is to prevent the spread of the sweet potato weevil and to certify that all shipments of sweet potatoes from Louisiana are apparently free from sweet potato weevil, as required by other state.
Use:	This data provides a measure of compliance and enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from the total number of weevils that were trapped in a weevil free area.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all weevils trapped in weevil free areas.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Sweet potato regulatory inspections
LaPAS PI Code:	22749
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Effective inspections on sweet potatoes for pest of regulatory concern will increase stakeholder trust and awareness, maximizing voluntary compliance and better identify compliance issues.
Use:	This data provides a measure of compliance activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from the total number of sweet potato field inspections reported.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all sweet potato regulatory inspections.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Sweet potato dealer permits issued
LaPAS PI Code:	22757
Type & Level	Outcome; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator measures the number of persons permitted to sell sweet potatoes in Louisiana.
Use:	This data provides a measure of compliance and enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of applications received for sweet potato dealer permits.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all sweet potato permits issued.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Ansel Rankins, Horticulture and Quarantine Programs Director, Telephone: 225-952-8100, Fax: 225-923-4904, Email: arankins@ldaf.la.gov

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Honeybee shipments certified for out of state movement
LaPAS PI Code:	22750
Type & Level	Outcome; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The apiary program allows movement of Honey Bees and/or other regulated articles into, out of or within Louisiana by qualified individuals who hold valid permits and certificates of inspection declaring the health status of the bees.
Use:	This data provides a measure of compliance and enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from the total of all permits issued to Honey Bee operations in Louisiana.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all permits issued to Honey Bee operations.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Queen and package honeybee producers certified
LaPAS PI Code:	22751
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The apiary program allows movement of Honey Bees and/or other regulated articles into, out of or within Louisiana by qualified individuals who hold valid permits and certificates of inspection declaring the health status of the bees.
Use:	This data provides a measure of enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from field inspection reports on queen and package producers in Louisiana.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all inspections performed at queen and package producers in Louisiana.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Activity:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs
Objective:	Plant Pest Quarantine Programs are designed to safeguard against the introduction and spread of plant pests into Louisiana's agricultural and forestry industries and the environment, to sustain and enhance protection of our food supply and our green industry economies.
Indicator Name:	Beekeepers registered
LaPAS PI Code:	6365
Type & Level	Outcome; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Beekeepers are required to register bees/hives in Louisiana. This indicator measures the number of registered beekeepers.
Use:	This data provides a measure of enforcement activity and will be used for internal management purposes
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all registered beekeepers.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
Activity:	Boil Weevil
Objective:	The Boll Weevil Eradication Program was designed to fully eradicate the boll weevil and keep Louisiana cotton acres 100% weevil-free.
Indicator Name:	Percent cotton acres weevil-free
LaPAS PI Code:	22758
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Continuation of the Boll Weevil Eradication Program will restrict movement of cotton, cotton seed, equipment, etc. from infested areas into Louisiana to insure that we don't become re-infested. Likewise, it enables these regulated articles to move freely from Louisiana to other states.
Use:	This data provides standard quality measurement for Louisiana cotton.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from field inspection reports throughout the growing season.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation provided by the arrived by dividing the total weevil free acres by the total number of acres statewide.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Ansel Rankins, Horticulture and Quarantine Programs Director, Telephone: 225-952-8100, Fax: 225-923-4904, Email: arankins@ldaf.la.gov

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Boll Weevil Program
Activity:	Boil Weevil
Objective:	The Boll Weevil Eradication Program was designed to fully eradicate the boll weevil and keep Louisiana cotton acres 100% weevil-free.
Indicator Name:	Cotton boll weevils trapped
LaPAS PI Code:	22760
Type & Level	Quality; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Continuation of the Boll Weevil Eradication Program will restrict movement of cotton, cotton seed, equipment, etc. from infested areas into Louisiana to insure that we don t become re-infested. Likewise, it enables these regulated articles to move freely from Louisiana to other states.
Use:	This data provides standard quality measurement for Louisiana cotton.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from field inspection reports throughout the growing season.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all boll weevils trapped.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Number of verified environmental incidences by improper pesticide application.
LaPAS PI Code:	741
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the number of incidents related to an improper pesticide application in Louisiana. Our goal is to ensure that all pesticide applications are applied according to the pesticide label.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of compliance and enforcement action that should be administered.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory inspections.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by dividing the number of actual incidences by the number from the desired target.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Number of pesticide complaints
LaPAS PI Code:	23483
Type & Level	Output; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the number of incidences related to an improper pesticide application in Louisiana. Our goal is to ensure that the public is protected and all pesticide applications are applied according to the pesticide label.
Use:	This information will be used for evaluation of possible pesticide mis-use.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory inspections.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all complaints from inspections that were performed annually.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Number of inspections
LaPAS PI Code:	23484
Type & Level	Quality; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the number of inspections related to an all pesticide application in Louisiana. Our goal is to ensure that all pesticide applications are applied according to the label.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of pesticide related inspections performed on an annual basis.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory pesticide inspections.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all pesticide inspections performed annually.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Number of residue samples analyzed
LaPAS PI Code:	23485
Type & Level	Quality; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen as a measure for the number of incidents related to an improper pesticide application in Louisiana. Our goal is to ensure that all pesticide applications are applied according to the label.
Use:	This information is used to determine the amount of residue samples collected from pesticide inspections.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory pesticide inspections.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all residue samples collected from pesticide inspections performed annually.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Pesticide products out of compliance
LaPAS PI Code:	23486
Type & Level	Input; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because as a measure of the number of products related to an improper compliance in Louisiana. Our goal is to ensure that all pesticide applications are applied according to the label.
Use:	This information will be used for compliance and enforcement action measures. This will ensure that consumers will have quality products.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory pesticide inspections.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all products out of compliance based on lab analysis.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Number of pesticides registered
LaPAS PI Code:	22762
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the number of pesticide products registered to be sold in Louisiana. Our goal is to ensure that all pesticide products sold are registered.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine that all products are registered for compliance or enforcement.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of applications petitioned for certification.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by multiplying the number of certified acres that meet the requirements of standards by the average yield per acre.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Number of pesticide product formulations analyzed
LaPAS PI Code:	23487
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because the formulations ensure that products are being applied according to the label.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine that all products are registered for compliance or enforcement.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database from sample formulations collected and analyzed.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all formulation samples analyzed.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Number of marketplace inspections
LaPAS PI Code:	23488
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to ensure that products are registered in the marketplace. Our goal is to ensure the public is obtaining quality registered products in Louisiana.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of pesticide products not registered in the marketplace.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all marketplace inspections performed.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all marketplace inspections.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Number of dealer inspections
LaPAS PI Code:	23489
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to ensure that all pesticide dealers are licensed and in compliance. Our goal is to ensure the public that all dealers selling pesticide are inspected annually. This also certifies the Dealer meets state requirements.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of locations selling pesticides are in compliance.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all licensed pesticide dealers.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all licensed pesticide dealers.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Kevin Wofford, Pesticide and Enforcement Programs Director, Telephone: 225-925-3768, Fax: 225-237-5725, kwofford@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Number of Producer Establishments inspections
LaPAS PI Code:	23490
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to ensure that all pesticide Producer Establishments are registered with EPA and in compliance. Our goal is to ensure all PEI's meet the state requirements.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the locations repackaging pesticides are in registered and in compliance.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all Producer Establishments Inspections .
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all registered Producer Establishments inspected.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Enforcement actions on products
LaPAS PI Code:	23491
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to ensure that enforcement action is taken on all pesticide products not in compliance. Our goal is to ensure that all pesticide products offered for sale are in compliance with state and federal requirements
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of locations and products not in compliance.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all Enforcement Action issued on products not in compliance.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all Pesticide Products not in compliance from regulatory inspections.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Applicators out of compliance
LaPAS PI Code:	23492
Type & Level	Input; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to ensure that all pesticide applicators are in compliance. Our goal is to ensure the public that all persons applying pesticides in Louisiana are certified.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of applicators not in compliance.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all regulatory inspections on pesticide applicators not in compliance.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all Pesticide Applicators not in compliance from regulatory inspections.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Number of certified applicators
LaPAS PI Code:	23493
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to determine the amount of all certified pesticide applicators in Louisiana. Our goal is to ensure that all persons applying pesticides are certified in Louisiana.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of certified applicators in the state.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all certified pesticide applicators in a certification and training system.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all Certified Pesticide Applicators annually certified in Louisiana.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Number of Un-certified Applicators
LaPAS PI Code:	23494
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to determine the amount of all Un-certified Pesticide Applicators in Louisiana. These applicators are operating under the direct supervision of a Certified Applicator.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of Un-certified Applicators in the state.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all Un-certified Pesticide Applicators in a certification and training system.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all Un-Certified Pesticide Applicators annually in Louisiana.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Activity:	Pesticide and Enforcement Program
Objective:	To protect the environment along with the health and general prosperity of Louisiana's citizens by providing for the safe and proper distribution, use, and management of pesticides; by facilitating the protection of natural resources and pollution prevention; and by providing for effective control of pests.
Indicator Name:	Health-Related Complaints Confirmed
LaPAS PI Code:	23495
Type & Level	Input; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to determine the amount of all Health Related Complaints confirmed in Louisiana. Our goal is to ensure all pesticides are applied in a safe manner as instructed by the label.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of all Health Related Complaints in the state.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all Health Related Complaints investigated in the state.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all Health Related Complaints Confirmed annually in Louisiana.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Indicator Name:	Health-Related Incidents Reported/Inspected
LaPAS PI Code:	22771
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to determine the amount of all Health Related Incidents Reported and or Inspected in Louisiana. Our goal is to ensure that all pesticides are applied in a safe manner.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of all Health Related Incidents reported in the state.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all Health Related Incidents reported in the state.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all Health Related Incidents reported and or inspected annually in Louisiana.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Regulatory Seed Testing Program
Activity:	Seed Testing
Objective:	Through the Regulatory Seed Testing and Louisiana Seed Certification Programs, to continue the office's efforts to ensure that 98% of samples tested test within established tolerances, and that 95% of acres petitioned for certification meet the requirements of Standards.
Indicator Name:	Percent of seed samples tested within tolerance
LaPAS PI Code:	22789
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the quality of seed being offered for sale in Louisiana. Our objective is to ensure that at least 98% of seed tested are within tolerance, and this is a reliable indicator of that objective. Maintaining a 98% tolerance level tells us that our regulatory seed testing efforts remain successful.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of seed lots required to be randomly sampled and tested.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory seed samples tested in the State Seed Testing Laboratory.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by dividing the number of regulatory samples that are out-of-tolerance by the total number of regulatory samples to generate the percentage of samples that are out-of-tolerance.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Regulatory Seed Testing Program
Activity:	Seed Testing
Objective:	Through the Regulatory Seed Testing and Louisiana Seed Certification Programs, to continue the office's efforts to ensure that 98% of samples tested test within established tolerances, and that 95% of acres petitioned for certification meet the requirements of Standards.
Indicator Name:	Number of seed samples tested
LaPAS PI Code:	22790
Type & Level	Output; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because the number of samples tested is directly proportionate to the amount of seed being offered for sale in Louisiana.
Use:	This information will be used for outcome-based budgeting purposes to determine future staffing needs for sampling and testing during peak season.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory seed samples tested in the State Seed Testing Laboratory.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all seed samples tested by the lab.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Regulatory Seed Testing Program
Activity:	Seed Testing
Objective:	Through the Regulatory Seed Testing and Louisiana Seed Certification Programs, to continue the office's efforts to ensure that 98% of samples tested test within established tolerances, and that 95% of acres petitioned for certification meet the requirements of Standards.
Indicator Name:	Number of seed samples tested within tolerance
LaPAS PI Code:	22791
Type & Level	Quality; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the quality of seed being offered for sale in Louisiana. Our objective is to ensure that at least 98% of seed tested are within tolerance, and this is a reliable indicator of that objective. Maintaining a 98% tolerance level tells us that our regulatory seed testing efforts remain successful.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of seed lots required to be randomly sampled and tested.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory seed samples tested in the State Seed Testing Laboratory.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all seed samples that tested within tolerance.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Regulatory Seed Testing Program
Activity:	Seed Testing
Objective:	Through the Regulatory Seed Testing and Louisiana Seed Certification Programs, to continue the office's efforts to ensure that 98% of samples tested test within established tolerances, and that 95% of acres petitioned for certification meet the requirements of Standards.
Indicator Name:	Number of licensed seed dealers
LaPAS PI Code:	20181
Type & Level	Input; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a direct measure of the number of licensed seed dealers available for growers to purchase seed. Licensed seed dealers are required to be aware of seed quality and labeling requirements, and as a result provide valuable information and higher quality seed to Louisiana's growers.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of locations available for regulatory seed sampling.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all licensed seed dealers.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all licensed seed dealers.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Regulatory Seed Testing Program
Activity:	Seed Testing
Objective:	Through the Regulatory Seed Testing and Louisiana Seed Certification Programs, to continue the office's efforts to ensure that 98% of samples tested test within established tolerances, and that 95% of acres petitioned for certification meet the requirements of Standards.
Indicator Name:	Percent of acres petitioned for certification that meet the requirements of Standards
LaPAS PI Code:	22795
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a reliable measure of the quality of seed being produced within the Louisiana seed certification program. Our objective is to ensure that at least 95% of seed petitioned for certification meet the requirements of standards. Maintaining a 95% acceptance level tells us that the Louisiana seed certification program remains successful.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of certified field inspections required to be performed.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all acres petitioned for certification.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by dividing the number of acres entered into the Louisiana seed certification program that meet the requirements of the standards by the total number of acres entered into the Louisiana seed certification program.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Regulatory Seed Testing Program
Activity:	Seed Testing
Objective:	Through the Regulatory Seed Testing and Louisiana Seed Certification Programs, to continue the office's efforts to ensure that 98% of samples tested test within established tolerances, and that 95% of acres petitioned for certification meet the requirements of Standards.
Indicator Name:	Number of participating farmers
LaPAS PI Code:	22796
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because the number of participating farmers is a reliable indicator of the amount of acres entered into the Louisiana seed certification program and the amount of high quality seed available for Louisiana's growers.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of certified field inspections required to be performed, the quality of seed available to growers and amount of regulatory samples required.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of applications petitioned for certification.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all farmers that have petitioned acres to be certified.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Regulatory Seed Testing Program
Activity:	Seed Testing
Objective:	Through the Regulatory Seed Testing and Louisiana Seed Certification Programs, to continue the office's efforts to ensure that 98% of samples tested test within established tolerances, and that 95% of acres petitioned for certification meet the requirements of Standards.
Indicator Name:	Number of acres potentially planted from the production of Louisiana certified seed
LaPAS PI Code:	22797
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a reliable measure of the amount of high quality seed available to Louisiana's growers. Our objective is to ensure that at least 95% of seed petitioned for certification meet the requirements of standards, and therefore ensure an adequate supply of high quality seed for Louisiana's growers.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to anticipate the quality of seed available and the amount of regulatory sampling and testing that will be required.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of applications petitioned for certification.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by multiplying the number of certified acres that meet the requirements of standards by the average yield per acre.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Regulatory Seed Testing Program
Activity:	Seed Testing
Objective:	Through the Regulatory Seed Testing and Louisiana Seed Certification Programs, to continue the office's efforts to ensure that 98% of samples tested test within established tolerances, and that 95% of acres petitioned for certification meet the requirements of Standards.
Indicator Name:	Number of acres petitioned for certification
LaPAS PI Code:	22798
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because the number of acres petitioned for certification is a reliable indicator of the amount of high quality seed available for Louisiana's growers.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to anticipate the quality of seed available and the amount of regulatory sampling and testing that will be required.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of applications petitioned for certification.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all acres petitioned for certification.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Regulatory Seed Testing Program
Activity:	Seed Testing
Objective:	Through the Regulatory Seed Testing and Louisiana Seed Certification Programs, to continue the office's efforts to ensure that 98% of samples tested test within established tolerances, and that 95% of acres petitioned for certification meet the requirements of Standards.
Indicator Name:	Number of acres petitioned for certification that meet the requirements of Standards
LaPAS PI Code:	22799
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a reliable measure of the quality of seed being produced within the Louisiana seed certification program. Our objective is to ensure that at least 95% of seed petitioned for certification meet the requirements of standards. Maintaining a 95% acceptance level tells us that the Louisiana seed certification program remains successful.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of certified field inspections required to be performed.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of all acres petitioned for certification.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all acres petitioned for certification that meet the requirements of standards.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Lester Cannon, Seed Programs Director, Telephone: 225-925-4733, Fax: 225-237-5659, lcannon@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Activity:	Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Objective:	Through laboratory analysis, to ensure that 95% of feed and pet food sold meets its guaranteed analysis.
Indicator Name:	Percentage of feed sold that meets guarantees and standards
LaPAS PI Code:	22781
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the quality of feed and pet food offered for sale in Louisiana. Our objective is to ensure that 95% of the feed and pet food samples analyzed at our laboratory are within tolerance of the manufacturer's guaranteed analysis. The performance measure is reliable. This performance indicator informs us that 95% of feed and pet food offered for sale in Louisiana is providing the nutrition promised on the guaranteed analysis.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to ensure that the feed and pet food offered for sale is labeled properly and safe for consumer consumption.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is gathered using the Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) software used on the analysis of all samples. The information is gathered from the database after the end of each of the four fiscal year quarters. The frequency and timing of collection is consistent.
Calculation Methodology:	The indicator is calculated by dividing the percentage of samples that passed analysis by the total number of samples tested for analysis.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Mark LeBlanc, director of Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division, Ph. 225.342.5812, Fax: 225.342.00247; mark_l@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Activity:	Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Objective:	Through laboratory analysis, to ensure that 95% of fertilizer and agricultural lime sold meets its guaranteed analysis.
Indicator Name:	Percentage of fertilizer and agricultural lime sold that meets guarantees and standards
LaPAS PI Code:	22782
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the quality of fertilizer and agricultural lime offered for sale in Louisiana. Our objective is to ensure that 95% of the fertilizer and agricultural lime samples analyzed at our laboratory are within tolerance of the manufacturer's guaranteed analysis. The performance measure is reliable. This performance indicator informs us that 95% of fertilizer and agricultural lime offered for sale in Louisiana is providing the nutrients as promised on the guaranteed analysis.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to ensure that the fertilizer and agricultural lime offered for sale is labeled properly and is providing the values the consumer has paid for.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is gathered using the Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) software used on the analysis of all samples. The information is gathered from the database after the end of each of the four fiscal year quarters. The frequency and timing of collection is consistent.
Calculation Methodology:	The indicator is calculated by dividing the number of samples that passed analysis by the total number of samples tested for analysis.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Mark LeBlanc, director of Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division, Ph. 225.342.5812, Fax: 225.342.00247; mark_l@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Activity:	Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Objective:	To calculate the total amount of dollars owed to consumers for deficiencies found in feed and fertilizer products.
Indicator Name:	Dollar amount of penalties paid to farmers.
LaPAS PI Code:	22783
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a calculation of the total dollar amount in deficiency assessments paid to farmers / consumers by manufacturers / guarantors for feed and fertilizer penalties. Our objective is to ensure that farmers and consumers are being paid the money that is owed to them for deficiencies; the target is only an estimation of what is expected, however, it is hard to predict what the numbers will be. The performance measure is reliable. This performance indicator informs us that deficiency assessments are being paid to the farmers / consumers.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to ensure that deficiency assessments are being paid to the farmers and consumers by the manufacturers / guarantors when penalties are assessed by the Agricultural Chemistry Division.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is gathered using the Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) software used on the analysis of all samples. A formula programmed into the LIMS software calculates a penalty and from there a deficiency assessment is sent to the manufacturer / guarantor and the penalties are kept track of by office personnel using logbooks. The information is gathered from the database after the end of each of the four fiscal year quarters. The frequency and timing of collection is consistent.
Calculation Methodology:	The indicator is calculated by dividing the dollar amount of penalties paid to farmers by the target number.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Mark LeBlanc, director of Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division, Ph. 225.342.5812, Fax: 225.342.00247; mark_l@daf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Activity:	Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Objective:	To calculate the total amount of dollars owed to the Department of Agriculture and Forestry for deficiencies found in feed and fertilizer products.
Indicator Name:	Dollar amount of penalties paid to state.
LaPAS PI Code:	22784
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a calculation of the total dollar amount in deficiency assessments paid to the Department of Agriculture and Forestry by manufacturers / guarantors for feed and fertilizer penalties. The state is owed the deficiency assessment when deficiencies are found in products prior to them being sold to a consumer. Our objective is to ensure that the state is being paid the money that it is owed for deficiencies; the target is only an estimation of what is expected, however, it is hard to predict what the numbers will be. The performance measure is reliable. This performance indicator informs us that deficiency assessments are being paid to the state.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to ensure that deficiency assessments are being paid to the state Department of Agriculture and Forestry by the manufacturers / guarantors when penalties are assessed by the Agricultural Chemistry Division.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is gathered using the Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) software used on the analysis of all samples. A formula programmed into the LIMS software calculates a penalty and from there a deficiency assessment is sent to the manufacturer / guarantor and the penalties are kept track of by office personnel using logbooks. The information is gathered from the database after the end of each of the four fiscal year quarters. The frequency and timing of collection is consistent.
Calculation Methodology:	The indicator is calculated by dividing the dollar amount of penalties paid to the state by the target number.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Mark LeBlanc, director of Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division, Ph. 225.342.5812, Fax: 225.342.00247; mark_l@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Activity:	Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Objective:	To calculate the total tons of feed and pet food tested at the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory through routine sampling.
Indicator Name:	Total tons of feed tested
LaPAS PI Code:	22785
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a calculation of the total amount of tons of feed and pet food analyzed at the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory for quality. Agricultural and Environmental Science inspectors collect samples of feed and pet food in the field that is sent in to the laboratory for chemical analysis. Samples are representative of the total amount of ton(s) for that product offered for sale. Our objective is to ensure that the Agricultural Chemistry Division is analyzing enough tons of feed per year to ensure quality feed in the state of Louisiana. The performance measure is reliable. This performance indicator informs us that a sufficient amount of feed and pet food is being analyzed for quality.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to ensure that a sufficient amount of feed and pet food samples are being analyzed in the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory for quality.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is gathered using the Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) software used on the analysis of all samples. The information is gathered from the database after the end of each of the second and fourth fiscal year quarters. The frequency and timing of collection is consistent.
Calculation Methodology:	The indicator is calculated by dividing the total number of tons analyzed by the target number of tons.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Activity:	Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Objective:	To calculate the total tons of fertilizer and agricultural lime tested at the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory through routine sampling.
Indicator Name:	Total tons of fertilizer and agricultural lime tested
LaPAS PI Code:	22786
Type & Level	Input; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a calculation of the total amount of tons of fertilizer and agricultural lime analyzed at the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory for quality. Agricultural and Environmental Science inspectors collect samples of fertilizer and agricultural lime in the field that is sent in to the laboratory for chemical analysis. Samples are representative of the total amount of ton(s) for that product offered for sale. Our objective is to ensure that the Agricultural Chemistry Division is analyzing enough tons of fertilizer and agricultural lime per year to ensure quality fertilizer and agricultural lime product in the state of Louisiana. The performance measure is reliable. This performance indicator informs us that a sufficient amount of fertilizer and agricultural lime is being analyzed for quality.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to ensure that a sufficient amount of fertilizer and agricultural lime samples are being analyzed in the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory for quality.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is gathered using the Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) software used on the analysis of all samples. The information is gathered from the database after the end of each of the second and fourth fiscal year quarters. The frequency and timing of collection is consistent.
Calculation Methodology:	The indicator is calculated by dividing the total number of tons analyzed by the target number of tons.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Activity:	Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Objective:	To calculate the total number of feed and pet food regulatory samples tested at the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory through routine sampling.
Indicator Name:	Number of regulatory samples -- feed.
LaPAS PI Code:	22787
Type & Level	Input; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a calculation of the total amount of feed and pet food regulatory samples analyzed at the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory for quality. Agricultural and Environmental Science inspectors collect samples of feed and pet food in the field that is sent in to the laboratory for chemical analysis. Our objective is to ensure that the Agricultural Chemistry Division is collecting enough samples of feed and pet food per year to ensure quality feed and pet food product in the state of Louisiana. The performance measure is reliable. This performance indicator informs us that a sufficient amount of feed and pet food is being collected for laboratory analysis.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to ensure that a sufficient amount of feed and pet food samples are being collected for analysis at the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is gathered using the Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) software used on the analysis of all samples. The information is gathered from the database after the end of each of the fourth fiscal year quarter. The frequency and timing of collection is consistent.
Calculation Methodology:	The indicator is calculated by dividing the total number of samples collected by the target number.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Program:	OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES - Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Activity:	Agricultural Chemistry Programs Division
Objective:	To calculate the total number of fertilizer and agricultural lime regulatory samples tested at the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory through routine sampling.
Indicator Name:	Number of regulatory samples -- fertilizer and agricultural lime.
LaPAS PI Code:	22788
Type & Level	Input; General PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a calculation of the total amount of fertilizer and agricultural lime regulatory samples analyzed at the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory for quality. Agricultural and Environmental Science inspectors collect samples of fertilizer and agricultural lime in the field that is sent in to the laboratory for chemical analysis. Our objective is to ensure that the Agricultural Chemistry Division is collecting enough samples of fertilizer and agricultural lime per year to ensure quality fertilizer and agricultural lime product in the state of Louisiana. The performance measure is reliable. This performance indicator informs us that a sufficient amount of fertilizer and agricultural lime is being collected for laboratory analysis.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to ensure that a sufficient amount of fertilizer and agricultural lime samples are being collected for analysis at the Agricultural Chemistry laboratory.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is gathered using the Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) software used on the analysis of all samples. The information is gathered from the database after the end of each of the fourth fiscal year quarter. The frequency and timing of collection is consistent.
Calculation Methodology:	The indicator is calculated by dividing the total number of samples collected by the target number.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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OFFICE OF AGRO CONSUMER SERVICES

The Office of Agro-Consumer Services is comprised of the Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission, the Weights and Measures Division, the Dairy Division, and the Commodities Promotion and Research Division.

The mission of the Office of Agro-Consumer Services is to ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace by regulating various aspects of commerce and trade and by promoting and heightening consumer awareness of Louisiana's agricultural commodities to increase sales, thereby enhancing the economic well-being of Louisiana farmers and the State as a whole. The Office ensures that Louisiana consumers get what they pay for, that producers have markets available and receive fair compensation for their commodities, and that businesses have a favorable environment in which to operate. To carry out this mission, the Office of Agro-Consumer Services Program: (1) regulates the measuring, transportation, and sale of dairy products; (2) licenses, inspects, and audits all grain dealers, warehouses, and cotton merchants in the state; (3) inspects and certifies all commercially used weights, measures, and weighing and measuring devices including motor fuel dispensers, taxi meters, and point of sale price scanners; (4) licenses scale companies and technicians; (5) provides price stability in the marketplace and assures an environment conducive to fair and equal competition as provided under Dairy Stabilization Board rules and regulations; (6) maintains the official state standards of mass, length and volume, which are traceable to the National Institute of Standards & Technology; and (7) promotes the development, production, and sale of Louisiana commodities through research and marketing activities.

The goal of the Office of Agro-Consumer Services is to provide services that ensure consumer protection for all Louisiana citizens, to promote economic growth in the state by maintaining a fair and competitive business environment, to improve the ability of Louisiana producers to capitalize upon promotion and research opportunities, to strengthen Louisiana's farmers markets and roadside vegetable stands, and to educate potential consumers of the positive benefits of buying fresh local agricultural products.

LOUISIANA AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES COMMISSION

The Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission (Commission) was created by the Louisiana Legislature in 1982 by combining the Grain Division and the Warehouse Commission. The Agricultural Commodities Commission was created due to losses suffered by Louisiana producers and landowners. These losses were the results of grain dealers involved in Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings. These bankruptcies resulted in losses to producers and landowners of approximately \$6,000,000. In 1997 the Louisiana Legislature passed the law requiring cotton merchants to be regulated by the Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission due to those losses suffered by cotton producers in the state similar to the situations of the grain dealers.

The Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission is responsible for the licensing of all agricultural warehouses, grain dealers and cotton merchants doing business in Louisiana. There are approximately 65 warehouses, 100 grain dealers, and 14 cotton merchants licensed in 2015 - 16 licensing year. The Commission requires a financial statement, proof of provisional stock

insurance, a bond and other supporting documents be presented to the Commission before being approved for a license. All financial statements are carefully reviewed to make sure every applicant is financially stable so the Louisiana producer will be guaranteed payment.

WAREHOUSE PROGRAM

The Commission employees perform physical inventories (approximately 500 examinations annually) of all licensed warehouses in this state. The examiners measured each grain bin and take an inventory to make ensure that the amount of stored grain is equal to the amount the producers have in storage.

In addition, the Agricultural Commodities Commission is responsible for verifying warehouse receipts that are used by producers and lending institutions. Producers and processing plants use the state warehouse receipts as a means of financing their operations. The examiners issue and check these receipts to ensure the warehouse receipts reflect the grain that is actually stored in the warehouse. The total value of warehouse receipted grain in the fiscal year 2014-15 exceeded \$2,260,000,000.

GRAIN INSPECTION PROGRAM – OFFICIAL GRAIN INSPECTION SERVICES

The Grain Inspection Program involves performing federally mandated grain inspection procedures on grain samples when requests are made. These requests are made on a variety of grain carriers (i.e. barges, rail cars, trucks) and producer submitted samples.

GRAIN SAMPLER/GRADER CERTIFICATION

Grain graders are certified each year by a series of written examinations and samples that are reviewed by department graders. There is a testing and certification fee assessed on each applicant.

In 2015, the Agricultural Commodities Commission certified 86 grain graders and samplers. The certification process exceeded \$2,150.00 in generated revenue.

MOISTURE METER CERTIFICATION

The Agricultural Commodities Commission certifies all moisture meters utilized in assessing discounts to producers each year. This is accomplished by cross checking grain dealer moisture meters with department owned moisture meters. There is a fee charged for each inspection. In 2015, 153 moisture meters were certified and tested resulting in \$9,720.00 in generated revenue.

COTTON MERCHANT PROGRAM

The Cotton Merchant Program was revised and commingled with the Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission on August 15, 1997. This program was initiated because of numerous losses to cotton producers who sold cotton to the merchants that were not financially sound. The law now requires a financial statement containing a Balance Sheet, Statement of

Retained Earnings, Statement of Income and Statement of Cash Flow be submitted so that each merchant's financial position can be assessed accurately in order to achieve minimal losses to producers. This program provides the Louisiana cotton producers the security of selling their commodity with the assurance of receiving payment.

CONCLUSION

The Agricultural Commodities Commission currently operates with a total of 13 positions. These positions were previously divided between the two separate divisions. The current format of the Agricultural Commodities Commission allows better utilization of manpower by the Warehouse Program and the Grain Inspection Program.

The budget of the Agricultural Commodities Commission is totally self-generated. The budget is maintained by a series of fees assessed to users of the various services offered by the Agricultural Commodities Commission. Examples of the fees are:

- Check-off on each bushel of grain sold.
- Inspection fee on each request for official grain inspection service.
- Fee for moisture meter inspection.
- Fee for certifying each grain grader/sampler.

As a result of the services that the Agricultural Commodities Commission has provided in past years, there has been minimal loss to Louisiana producers as a result of grain dealer bankruptcy. Producers are now assured of receiving fair and accurate grades on commodities sold to grain dealer in this state.

OBJECTIVE 1 – AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES COMMISSION

To provide an effective program of regulation of the Louisiana grain and cotton industry in order for the producers to sell and/or store their agricultural products to financially secure warehouses and grain dealers. The commission also maintains an official grain inspection program and a moisture meter program to provide cost effective services to producers and grain companies. The commission also has a cotton merchant program to assure producers that companies buying cotton are financially able to pay producers.

- STRATEGY 1.1** Maintain federal designation as an official grain inspection agency.
- Successfully complete tri-annual USDA re-designation as an official agency.

- STRATEGY 1.2** Continue to provide cost-effective services to producers and grain companies.
- Save grain producers and grain company's unnecessary fees.
- STRATEGY 1.3** Provide training seminars for grain graders and department inspectors.
- Ensure that inspectors have the necessary skills and equipment.
- STRATEGY 1.4** Computerize all grain inspection labs.
- Reduce cost of issuing certificates to industry by having the capability to issue on-line.
- STRATEGY 1.5** Upgrade the warehouse inspection program.
- Work with USDA to reinstate Cooperative Agreement in the Warehouse Division.

DAIRY DIVISION

The Dairy Stabilization Board, Milk Testing Program and Milk Buyers Bonding Program operate within the framework of the Dairy division. The duties and responsibilities of each program support and complement each other to the extent that they regulate and/or promote stability and orderly marketing of fluid milk within the state of Louisiana

Given the importance of the dairy industry in Louisiana and the relative short shelf life of fluid dairy products, orderly marketing is imperative to both the consuming public and the milk producers. The Dairy Stabilization Board addresses problems created in the marketplace, the milk testing program addresses the raw production and handling of milk from the farm to the processing plant. The milk buyer bonding program is designed to guarantee the payment for milk the farmer sells to the processing plant or cooperative.

DAIRY STABILIZATION BOARD

The purpose of the Dairy Stabilization Board is to provide a regulatory program that is designed to stabilize the Louisiana dairy industry in order to assure an adequate supply of healthful and wholesome dairy products to Louisiana consumers at fair and reasonable prices.

The Dairy Stabilization Board is composed of eight members appointed by the governor: two milk producers, one wholesale grocer, one processor, one retailer, and three consumers. The consumer member shall not be engaged in producing, processing or selling dairy products nor have a personal economic interest in any person who is so engaged.

The dairy industry is peculiarly susceptible to injury resulting from price wars and a variety of disruptive trade practices that flourish in the absence of effective regulation. Price wars and disruptive trade practices tend to cause financial ruin for Louisiana's dairy farmers and for locally owned processors and distributors regardless of how efficient and

well managed they might be.

The Dairy Stabilization Board has established regulations to prevent unfair methods of competition, unfair or deceptive acts or practices and disruptive trade practices in the sale of milk and dairy products.

To enforce these regulations, the Dairy Stabilization Board licenses all processors, distributors, and retailers of dairy products.

The Dairy Stabilization Board also investigates complaints regarding violations of its regulations and audits the financial records of processors, distributors and retailers to determine the costs of manufacturing, selling, and delivering of dairy products.

Funds for the administration and enforcement of this program are entirely from self-generated funds acquired by an assessment on all dairy products sold in Louisiana.

MILK TESTING

The current law governing volume measurement and butterfat testing of milk and cream is authorized by Act 306 of the 1974 session of the Louisiana Legislature.

The purpose of the law is to regulate the Louisiana dairy industry as related to:

- Arranging for the measuring, sampling and testing of producer milk when necessary
- Licensing of technical personnel
- Establishment of uniform technical procedures throughout the state.

The responsibility of enforcement of the law is assigned to the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, Milk Testing Program. Every two years, the program issues approximately 100 technical licenses to milk handlers.

The Milk Testing Program has developed and maintains a very close working relationship with other dairy groups such as the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Louisiana State University Dairy Science Department, Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service, Louisiana Dairy Products Association and others.

MILK BUYERS BONDING PROGRAM

The Milk Buyers Bonding Program is a part of the Dairy Division and is mandated under Title 7, Chapter 53, Section 5303.

This program authorizes the Department of Agriculture and Forestry to require surety bonds

which guarantee that the approximately 117 dairy farmers will receive payment for milk purchased by the Louisiana dairy processors and/or cooperatives.

OBJECTIVE 2 -DAIRY DIVISION

To provide an effective program of regulation for the Louisiana dairy industry in order to eliminate speculation and waste; to assure a continued supply of high quality dairy products at fair and reasonable prices; to assure dairy farmers, processors and distributors a fair and stable market for their products; and to enable the Dairy Stabilization Board and the milk testing division to operate within the framework of the Dairy Division to support and complement each other to the extent that they regulate and/or promote stability and orderly marketing of dairy products in Louisiana.

STRATEGY 2.1 Maintain a licensing program.

STRATEGY 2.2 Provide a training program for industry personnel.

STRATEGY 2.3 Assure a stable market environment for dairy products.

STRATEGY 2.4 Cross utilization with Agriculture Commodities Commission and Weights and Measures Division employees as needed.

STRATEGY 2.5 Maintain a bonding program.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES DIVISION

Even though the Weights and Measures Laws in Louisiana have been in effect since 1948, the Louisiana Legislature did not establish the Commission on Weights and Measures until May of 1992. The purpose of this commission is to ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace by exercising unbiased judgement for both the consumer and seller in commercial transactions where weighing and measuring devices are used. To do this the Weights and Measures Division:

- 1) Maintains the standards of the commonly used weights and measures in the state
- 2) Compares these standards to the ones used in the community for commercial transactions
- 3) Maintains supervision of the weighing and measuring devices used in commercial transactions through annual registration and testing of these devices
- 4) Performs inspections of packaged goods to ensure that they been correctly labeled and are being sold legally
- 5) Investigates complaints from the public when suspicions of unfair commercial transactions are lodged.
- 6) Monitors and tests motor fuels that are sold throughout the state and investigates consumer complaints concerning fuel quality issues.

Our Division also provides services to several federal programs by testing the scales at Veteran Administration hospitals, military bases, and the Federal Packers and Stockyards to ensure their accuracy.

Specific Services Provided By The Weights and Measures Division

- 1) Scale Inspections
- 2) Package Inspections
- 3) Price Scanner Inspections
- 4) Taximeter Inspections
- 5) Milk Tank inspections
- 6) Calibration of Farm Milk Tanks
- 7) Retail Motor Fuel Dispenser Inspection
- 8) Testing of Motor Fuels
- 9) Investigation of Consumer Complaints concerning any of the above.
- 10) Testing of Flow Meters
- 11) Licensing of Weighmasters
- 12) Testing and Calibration of Weights
- 13) Calibration of Fuel Provers

Metrology Laboratory

The Metrology Laboratory serves as Louisiana's primary standards laboratory and as a scientific authority for measurement certification. Specifically it maintains the official standards of mass, length, and volume which are all traceable back to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). NIST standards are traceable back to the origin ones in France. These lab standards are then used to calibrate and certify weights and measuring devices used by governmental, commercial, industrial, and research entities throughout the state. The traceability of such standards is a requirement in most commercial and all Federal contracts when measurements are to be made. Without our Metrology lab, business and government entities would have to send their standards out of state to be certified. This would be a costly and time-consuming endeavor. Currently the Metrology Lab is staffed by one Senior Metrologist because our lab assistant retired. Currently we are planning to have Civil Service do a job study to create a new employee category –Lab Metrologist- which will have three levels based on required training and experience. By doing this, we hope to be able to always have someone who could move into the job of Metrologist with only minimal additional training. This is very important because our lab cannot be certified without a Metrologist.

Fuel Testing Lab

Our fuel testing lab in Baton Rouge is manned by one chemist and tests routine random fuel samples brought in by our inspectors from across the state as well as those samples collected because of consumer complaints. Testing is done to ensure that the motor fuels meet ASTM standards and are free of contaminants. Currently our lab is equipped to handle all of the motor fuels in our area. However if the higher ethanol content or synthetic biofuels start to make an appearance in our state, we will need to purchase new equipment to analyze them. Also we do not currently analyze any of the other fluids that are commonly used in vehicles such as motor oil, antifreeze, etc. because we lack the necessary equipment. Obtaining this equipment is one of our goals.

Weights and Measures Inspectors

Currently we have 32 Weights and Measures Inspectors who perform all of these functions:

- 1) Scale Inspections- from deli scales to scales with a capacity of 1000 pounds
- 2) Package Inspections- checking for labeling, method of sale, and pricing errors
- 3) Price Scanner Inspections-scanning 50 to 100 items for each retail store with scanners
- 4) Taximeter Inspections- riding at least 1 mile with every taxi
- 5) Milk Tank inspections
- 6) Calibration of Farm Milk Tanks
- 7) Retail Motor Fuel Dispenser Inspection- pumping at least 5 gallons from every gas pump
- 8) Testing of Motor Fuels
- 9) Investigation of Consumer Complaints concerning any of the above.
- 10) Testing of Flow Meters
- 11) Performing COOL(Country of Origin Labeling) Audits for the USDA

Supervising them are 5 District Supervisors who in turn are supervised by 3 Regional Enforcement supervisors.

There are 3 Ag Specialist Program Managers who have in depth knowledge of

- 1) Fuel
- 2) Price Scanners and
- 3) Scales and Packages

In addition we have 1 Chemist in our Fuel Lab, 1 Ag Assistant Division Director who is our Metrologist, 1 Administrative Assistant, 1 Administrative Coordinator and 1 Director. We also have 3 Heavy-Duty Inspectors who drive specialized trucks with 30,000 pounds of weight to

check the large scales across the state. This gives a grand total of 51 people in the Division of Weights and Measures.

The vast majority of our funding comes from annual registration fees and Metrology Fees.

Weights and Measures Fee Schedule

1) Scale Registration	
A. Capacity of 1000 lbs. or less	\$35.00
B. 1001 to 10,000 lbs.	\$80.00
C. Over 10,000lbs	\$185
2) Package Inspections	No Fee
3) Scanner Registration per location	
A. 1-10 scanners	\$50.00
B. 11-25	\$100.00
C. Over 25	\$150
4) Taximeter Registration per cab	\$50.00
5) Service Agency Registration	\$100
6) Service Technician Registration	\$50.00
7) Weighmaster Annual License	\$75.00
8) Milk Tank Inspection and Calibration	No Fee
9) Metrology Fees	
A) Tolerance Testing	
1) Up to 10lbs(5Kg)	\$7.00
2) 11-100lbs (5-60 Kg)	\$10.00
3) 101-1000Lbs(61-500 Kg)	\$25.00
4) Over 1000lbs(500 Kg)	\$50.00
B) Tolerance Adjustment per weight	\$10.00
C)Mass Calibration with reports stating corrections and uncertainties	
1) Up to 5Lbs(3Kg)	\$25.00

2) Over 5 to 50Lbs(4-30Kg)	\$50.00
D) Any tape certification, volumetric testing and calibration or unlisted special test will be charged at the Rate of	\$30/hour

Objective 3 - Weights and Measures Division

To ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller by inspecting all weighing, measuring, metering, and scanning devices used commercially in the state. In addition to ensure that consumers get what they pay for, we will inspect packaged commodities sold by weight, measure, or count and make sure that they are sold by the correct method of sale.

- STRATEGY 3.1** Continue current programs relating to all regulated areas
Strive to improve efficiency and effectiveness of various programs to maximize the benefits to both consumers and industry
- STRATEGY 3.2** Provide training for personnel
When funding is available, consider producing a set of videotaped training films to ensure uniformity in training. Until then continue to have the most experienced person provide the training in each district.
- STRATEGY 3.3** Continue to incorporate more IT services
Continue to update the equipment for field inspection performance and reporting. Also continue to develop an online system of registration payment which will reduce postage costs and improve efficiency in obtaining money more rapidly by accepting all forms of payment and not just checks, cash, or money orders.
- STRATEGY 3.4** Upgrade our Fuel Lab services
When funding is available, consider upgrading our fuel lab by purchasing new equipment to monitor the new bio and higher ethanol content fuels and also the other fuels used by motor vehicles.
- STRATEGY 3.5** Lab Metrology Training
To ensure that we will always have a Metrologist on staff, consider developing a metrology training course utilizing the NIST training courses.
- STRATEGY 3.6** Maintain the licensing and registration program
Ensure that service personnel are qualified and that devices meet both NTEP and Louisiana requirements.
- STRATEGY 3.7** Maintain Certification of the Metrology Lab
Ensure that NIST lab requirements are met and that our metrologists maintain their proper certification. See Strategy 3.5.

STRATEGY 3.8 Package Inspections

We need to perform more routine package inspections. In the past, we did a large number but we cut back a lot when the Price Verification Program (scanners) started occupying more and more of our time.

Difficulties That We Face:

The two main difficulties that we face are low salaries and increasing number of devices in the marketplace. Starting salaries for our inspectors are below \$30,000 which makes it difficult to recruit people. We require a college degree and also much of the work that we do must be done in a meticulous manner. The increasing size of the new gas stations and the sheer number of stores that use scanners are also a problem.

Another big problem is the way in which we identify stores with devices that need to be registered. Until recently, we have relied on the inspectors to notice when a new store opens in their area. We now have implemented a system that alerts new retail stores to contact us to register their scales and scanning devices. The Secretary of State’s Office was very helpful with this. However we still have no way of reliably identifying any new stores that we may have missed before this time. The following table lists the total number of inspections that were done in 2015.

DEVICES	2015
SCALES 1000 LBS OR LESS	19327
SCALES 1001-10,000 LBS	1169
Scales over 10,0000 lbs.	81
LIVESTOCK	119
VEHICLE	1486
RAILROAD	143
LIQUID MEASURING DEVICES	72172
TAXIMETERS	2533
MASS FLOW METERS	55
GAS STATIONS	4231
FARM MILK TANKS	0
TOTAL	103,849

Performance Indicators for various categories are shown in the table below.

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	ACTUAL 2015-2016	EXISTING 2016-2017	CONTINUATION 2017-2018	RECOMMENDED 2018-2019
Percentage of regulated businesses with scanners in compliance with accuracy standards during initial inspection	93.37%	96%	96%	96%

Number of scanning device inspections performed	7675	7675	7675	7675
Percentage of prepackaged commodities tested in compliance with accuracy standards	97.23	98%	98%	98%
Number of prepackaged commodities tested	64,129	64,129	64,129	64,129
Number of package violations detected	983	983	983	983

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	ACTUAL 2015-2016	EXISTING 2016-2017	CONTINUATION 2017-2018	RECOMMENDED 2018-2019
Percentage of regulated businesses with fuel dispensers in compliance during initial testing/inspection	96.51%	95%	95%	95%
Number of field inspections conducted on petroleum dispensing devices	66,400	64,400	66,400	66,4000
Percentage of registered weighing devices in compliance with accuracy standards	95.57% %	97%	97%	97%
Number of weighing devices inspected	23,096	23,096	23,096	23,096

COMMODITY PROMOTION AND RESEARCH

SENIOR FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM

The Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) is a program established by Congress and administered by the USDA's Food & Nutrition Service. Under the program, FNS makes grants to States, US Territories, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments. The grants must be used to provide low-income seniors with coupons or equivalent benefits they may exchange for eligible foods at farmers' markets, roadside stands and Community Supported Agriculture programs. Eligible foods are fresh, unprepared, locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs and honey.

The SFMNP was announced in 2001 as a pilot program, and it became a permanent program in 2003. In 2001, the Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry received a grant of \$500,000 of which \$344,208 was used. In 2004, due to program cuts, the department received \$279,584 and \$281,824 was used. In 2004, there were 23 farmers' markets, 61 roadside stands and 205 farmers participating in the program.

The program has continued to be funded annually and in 2015, the department received a grant of \$381,160 and \$313,824 was used. In 2015, there were 62 farmers' markets, 109 roadside stands, 293 farmers and 18,033 low-income seniors participating in the program. This program helps seniors have access to fresh, locally grown vegetables and, as a result of the program, Louisiana farmers benefit from the increased sales. The Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, parish Councils on Aging, and Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans support this program.

WIC FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM

In 2005, the department began a WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program in East Baton Rouge Parish on a pilot basis. The WIC FMNP is similar to the Senior FMNP, except that the client base is for those who qualify for WIC benefits. The program will be jointly administered by the Department of Agriculture and Forestry and the Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Public Health, WIC Program. The funds available for the pilot program totaled \$6,667. With low redemption rates in this parish, the pilot program was moved to Orleans Parish in 2008 in hopes of a better redemption rate.

In 2015, the WIC FMNP was made available to seven parishes: Caddo, East Baton Rouge, Jefferson, Natchitoches, Orleans, Ouachita and Plaquemines Parishes. In 2015, the department received a grant of \$9,202 and \$8,831 was used.

LOUISIANA DAIRY INDUSTRY PROMOTION BOARD

Established by R.S. 3:557.4, the Board is responsible for the development and implementation of advertising, promotional and education programs designed to increase the consumption of milk and other dairy products. A department employee staffs the board serving as director of the Dairy

Industry Promotion Board. The dairy board sponsors numerous special events and promotions throughout the state each year to enhance consumer demand and consumption of more milk and dairy products. In addition to the director conducting administrative duties, program responsibilities are also conducted by the director such as; promotes the nutritional value of dairy products; schedules the Mobile Dairy Truck appearances at Louisiana schools, festivals and the State Fair; presents nutrition education to kids; coordinates the Dairy Farmers of Louisiana booth at the annual Ag Expo (Monroe) and is responsible for numerous other special events, advertising projects and exhibits promoting milk

Louisiana dairy farmers provide funding to carry out the responsibilities of the board. Ten (10.0) cents per hundredweight is levied against all milk produced in Louisiana and is collected at the first point of sale from the producers' milk marketing cooperative or from processors who buy directly from producers who are not members of a milk marketing cooperative. The Office of Management and Finance performs all accounting functions related to income and disbursements. The department retains three (3) percent of collections for administration of this program and forwards the balance to the board to carry out its responsibilities as defined by statute.

The Louisiana Dairy Industry Promotion Board is one of sixty-two (61) state or regional dairy product promotion, research or nutrition education programs qualified by USDA to receive funds from a fifteen (15) cent per hundredweight assessment on milk sales, pursuant to Section 1150.153 of the Federal Dairy Promotion and Research Order. The National Dairy Promotion and Research Program is funded by a mandatory assessment of fifteen (15) cents per hundredweight on all milk marketed commercially in the 48 contiguous states; however, if a state or regional program becomes qualified by USDA, the program can retain ten (10) cents of the fifteen (15) cent assessment. The Louisiana Dairy Industry Promotion Board is a qualified program and must receive annual certification as a qualified program to receive the ten (10) cents. To qualify each year, the board must demonstrate that it has not engaged in any activity other than promotion, research, and nutrition education designed to increase consumption of milk and other dairy products.

LOUISIANA RICE PROMOTION BOARD

Established in R.S. 3:551.61-551.67, the mission of the board is to promote the growth and development of the rice industry in Louisiana by the promotion of rice. The department collects assessments on all rice produced in Louisiana at the rate of 3.0 cents per hundredweight of dry rough rice. The assessment is deducted by each rice miller or handler from the amount paid the producer at the first point of sale, whether within or without the state. The assessments are remitted to the department on a monthly basis by the miller or handler. The department retains 2% of the assessment collected for administrative costs and transfers the balance to the board.

Staff provides financial reports to the board detailing all assessments collected and funds transferred to the board to cover their administrative costs and to fund promotion projects and activities. Division staff attends board meetings and serves as liaison between the board and the department.

LOUISIANA RICE RESEARCH BOARD

Established in R.S. 3:551.71-551.77, the mission of the board is to promote the growth and development of the rice industry in Louisiana by expanded research of rice. The department collects assessments on all rice produced in Louisiana at the rate of 5.0 cents per hundredweight of dry rough rice. The assessment is deducted by each rice miller or handler from the amount paid the producer at the first point of sale, whether within or without the state. The assessments are remitted to the department on a monthly basis by the miller or handler. The department retains 2% of the assessment collected for administrative costs and transfers the balance to the board.

Staff provides financial reports to the board detailing all assessments collected and funds transferred to the board to cover their administrative costs and to fund research projects. Division staff attends board meetings and serves as liaison between the board and the department.

LOUISIANA SOYBEAN AND GRAIN RESEARCH AND PROMOTION BOARD

Established in R.S. 3:551.11-551.36, the mission of the board is to promote the growth and development of the soybean, wheat, corn and grain sorghum industries in Louisiana through research and advertisement. The department collects assessments on all soybeans produced in Louisiana at the rate of 1/2% of the net value of sales and on all wheat, corn and grain sorghum produced in Louisiana at the rate of 2 cent per bushel. The assessment is deducted by the buyer at the first point of sale and is deducted from the amount paid the producer, whether within or without the state. The assessments are remitted to the department on a monthly basis by the buyer. Farmers are not entitled to receive soybean assessment refunds; however, grain farmers may obtain a refund of the assessments by submitting a written request within 30 days from the date of sale. Copies of sales slips signed by the buyer must accompany the request. The department retains 3% of the assessments collected for administrative costs and transfers the balance to the board.

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission
Objective:	To provide an effective program of regulation of the Louisiana grain and cotton industry in order for the producers to sell and/or store their agricultural products to financially secure warehouses and grain dealers. The commission also maintains an official grain inspection program and a moisture meter program to provide cost effective services to producers and grain companies. The commission also has a cotton merchant program to assure producers that companies buying cotton are financially able to pay producers.
Indicator Name:	Number of farmers not fully compensated for their products in regulated facilities
LaPAS PI Code:	821
Type & Level	Efficiency , Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The purpose of the program is to protect producers from being taken advantage of by grain elevators, warehouses and brokers by making sure that they are licensed and maintain a certain amount of financial viability. The grain division performs annual and bi-annual audits of licensed facilities and their performance in order to try and prevent an undue loss to farmers. Yes, the measure is reliable. It tells the performance story by showing that the auditors and the program are doing their jobs in making sure that there are no unexpected losses, insolvencies or bankruptcies.
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes but may be used for outcome based budgeting purposes.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Information received into the department. No collection or reporting involved.
Calculation Methodology:	Calculated by knowledge of a loss, i.e. insolvency or bankruptcy.
Scope:	Part of a larger whole.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	The accuracy of the data is whether or not there was a bankruptcy or insolvency in which producers were owed and paid by a licensee.
Responsible Person:	Kyra Fitzgerald, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-935-2164. Kyra@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission
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Indicator Name:	Number of facilities licensed.
LaPAS PI Code:	6368
Type & Level	Efficiency/Outcome, supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The purpose of the program is to protect producers from being taken advantage of by grain elevators, warehouses and brokers by making sure that they are licensed and maintain a certain amount of financial viability. This measure was chosen to indicate the number of facilities that the program licenses. Yes the performance measure is reliable. It indicates the number of licensed warehouses, cotton merchants and brokers in the state.
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes but may be used for outcome based budgeting purposes.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Information received into the department. There is an annual renewal of licenses.
Calculation Methodology:	Calculated by number of applications received for licensure.
Scope:	Sum of smaller parts.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	The accuracy of the data is determined by how many applications were received and subsequently licensed.
Responsible Person:	Kyra Fitzgerald, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-935-2164. Kyra@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission
Objective:	To provide an effective program of regulation of the Louisiana grain and cotton industry in order for the producers to sell and/or store their agricultural products to financially secure warehouses and grain dealers. The commission also maintains an official grain inspection program and a moisture meter program to provide cost effective services to producers and grain companies. The commission also has a cotton merchant program to assure producers that companies buying cotton are financially able to pay producers.
Indicator Name:	Cost per \$100 value of products protected.
LaPAS PI Code:	6371
Type & Level	Efficiency, supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The purpose of the program is to provide an effective program to regulate the Louisiana grain and cotton industry in order for the producers to sell and/or store their agricultural products to financially secure warehouses, brokers and grain dealers. This objective was chosen to indicate the value of products protected under the licensing program. The indicator gives an indication of the amount of money that can be gained or lost and is determined by the viability and business practices of the licensees.
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes but may be used for outcome based budgeting purposes.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Data sources are the fiscal years expenditure budget, USDA quick stats of crop production, CME group-agricultural commodities products, ICE cotton futures.
Calculation Methodology:	Calculated by the futures price multiplied by the value of production and then divided by the fiscal year expenditure budget.
Scope:	Sum of smaller parts.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No. Yes. The information is maintained by having copies filed in the director's office.
Responsible Person:	Kyra Fitzgerald, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-935-2164. Kyra@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission
Objective:	To provide an effective program of regulation of the Louisiana grain and cotton industry in order for the producers to sell and/or store their agricultural products to financially secure warehouses and grain dealers. The commission also maintains an official grain inspection program and a moisture meter program to provide cost effective services to producers and grain companies. The commission also has a cotton merchant program to assure producers that companies buying cotton are financially able to pay producers.
Indicator Name:	Number of audits performed on facilities
LaPAS PI Code:	6369
Type & Level	Efficiency, Output, supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The purpose of the program is to provide an effective program to regulate the Louisiana grain and cotton industry in order for the producers to sell and/or store their agricultural products to financially secure warehouses, brokers and grain dealers. This objective was chosen to indicate the value of products protected under the licensing program. This indicator was chosen in order to show that the program is diligent in making sure that all licensees are maintaining the requirements established to be licensed as a grain dealer, cotton merchant or warehouse.
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes but may be used for outcome based budgeting purposes.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data source is established by the records kept by the auditors and examiners/inspectors that work for the Agricultural Commodities Commission
Calculation Methodology:	The calculation methodology are records kept by the auditors and examiners/inspectors that work for the Agricultural Commodities Commission.
Scope:	Sum of smaller parts.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No. Data is kept by the auditors/examiners/inspectors that are employed by the Agricultural Commodities Commission.
Responsible Person:	Kyra Fitzgerald, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-935-2164. Kyra@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission
Objective:	To provide an effective program of regulation of the Louisiana grain and cotton industry in order for the producers to sell and/or store their agricultural products to financially secure warehouses and grain dealers. The commission also maintains an official grain inspection program and a moisture meter program to provide cost effective services to producers and grain companies. The commission also has a cotton merchant program to assure producers that companies buying cotton are financially able to pay producers.
Indicator Name:	Value of products protected (in millions)
LaPAS PI Code:	6370
Type & Level	Efficiency, Output, supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The purpose of the program is to provide an effective program to regulate the Louisiana grain and cotton industry in order for the producers to sell and/or store their agricultural products to financially secure warehouses, brokers and grain dealers. This objective was chosen to indicate the value of products protected under the licensing program. The indicator gives an indication of the amount of money that can be gained or lost and is determined by the viability and business practices of the licensees.
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes but may be used for outcome based budgeting purposes.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Data sources are the fiscal years expenditure budget, USDA quick stats of crop production, CME group-agricultural commodities products, ICE cotton futures.
Calculation Methodology:	Calculated by the futures price multiplied by the value of production and then divided by the fiscal year expenditure budget.
Scope:	Sum of smaller parts.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No. Yes. The information is maintained by having copies filed in the director's office.
Responsible Person:	Kyra Fitzgerald, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-935-2164. Kyra@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Dairy Division
Objective:	Through the Office of Agro-Consumer Services, to continue to provide an effective program of regulation for the Louisiana dairy industry to assure a continued supply of dairy products at fair and reasonable prices by regulating and /or promoting price stabilization.
Indicator Name:	Percentage of possible unfair trade practices investigated that resulted in confirmed violations.
LaPAS PI Code:	6378
Type & Level	Output , Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our division provides a regulatory program to prevent unfair methods of competition and deceptive and/or disruptive trade practices in the marketing of milk and dairy products.
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Percentage gleaned from confirmed violations.
Calculation Methodology:	Calculated by percentage determined by violations investigated and violations confirmed.
Scope:	Part of a larger whole.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Records are kept at the department. Not audited by legislative auditors.
Responsible Person:	Michelle Ribera, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-922-1347. Michelle@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Dairy Division
Objective:	Through the Office of Agro-Consumer Services, to continue to provide an effective program of regulation for the Louisiana dairy industry to assure a continued supply of dairy products at fair and reasonable prices by regulating and /or promoting price stabilization.
Indicator Name:	Number of possible unfair trade practices complaints
LaPAS PI Code:	6379
Type & Level	Input, Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our division provides a regulatory program to prevent unfair methods of competition and deceptive and/or disruptive trade practices in the marketing of milk and dairy products.
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Complaints are given by phone, email or written correspondence
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count
Scope:	Part of a larger whole.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Records are kept at the department. Not audited by legislative auditors.
Responsible Person:	Michelle Ribera, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-922-1347. Michelle@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Dairy Division
Objective:	Through the Office of Agro-Consumer Services, to continue to provide an effective program of regulation for the Louisiana dairy industry to assure a continued supply of dairy products at fair and reasonable prices by regulating and /or promoting price stabilization.
Indicator Name:	Number of possible unfair trade practices complaints investigated.
LaPAS PI Code:	22824
Type & Level	Output, Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our division provides a regulatory program to prevent unfair methods of competition and deceptive and/or disruptive trade practices in the marketing of milk and dairy products.
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Complaints are given by phone, email or written correspondence. Investigations are conducted by department personnel.
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count
Scope:	Part of a larger whole.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Records are kept at the department. Not audited by legislative auditors.
Responsible Person:	Michelle Ribera, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-922-1347. Michelle@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Dairy Division
Objective:	Through the Office of Agro-Consumer Services, to continue to provide an effective program of regulation for the Louisiana dairy industry to assure a continued supply of dairy products at fair and reasonable prices by regulating and /or promoting price stabilization.
Indicator Name:	Number of possible unfair trade practices investigated that resulted in confirmed violations.
LaPAS PI Code:	22825
Type & Level	Output, Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our division provides a regulatory program to prevent unfair methods of competition and deceptive and/or disruptive trade practices in the marketing of milk and dairy products.
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Complaints are given by phone, email or written correspondence. Investigations are conducted by department personnel.
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count
Scope:	Part of a larger whole.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Records are kept at the department. Not audited by legislative auditors.
Responsible Person:	Michelle Ribera, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-922-1347. Michelle@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Dairy Division
Objective:	Through the Office of Agro-Consumer Services, to continue to provide an effective program of regulation for the Louisiana dairy industry to assure a continued supply of dairy products at fair and reasonable prices by regulating and /or promoting price stabilization.
Indicator Name:	Number of coupons/promotions submitted for approval
LaPAS PI Code:	25025
Type & Level	Output, Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our division provides a regulatory program to prevent unfair methods of competition and deceptive and/or disruptive trade practices in the marketing of milk and dairy products.
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Requests for approval of coupons/promotions are submitted in writing.
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count
Scope:	Part of a larger whole.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Records are kept at the department. Not audited by legislative auditors.
Responsible Person:	Michelle Ribera, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-922-1347. Michelle@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Dairy Division
Objective:	Through the Office of Agro-Consumer Services, to continue to provide an effective program of regulation for the Louisiana dairy industry to assure a continued supply of dairy products at fair and reasonable prices by regulating and /or promoting price stabilization.
Indicator Name:	Number of coupons/promotions approved for use
LaPAS PI Code:	25026
Type & Level	Output, Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our division provides a regulatory program to prevent unfair methods of competition and deceptive and/or disruptive trade practices in the marketing of milk and dairy products.
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Requests for approval of coupons/promotions are submitted in writing to the director. Requests are reviewed. Approval/denial of coupons/promotions are sent back to requestor in writing.
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count
Scope:	Part of a larger whole.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Records are kept at the department. Not audited by legislative auditors.
Responsible Person:	Michelle Ribera, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-922-1347. Michelle@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Weights and Measures Commission
Objective:	To ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller by inspecting all weighing, measuring, metering, and scanning devices used commercially in the state. In addition to ensure that consumers get what they pay for, we will inspect packaged commodities sold by weight, measure, or count and make sure that they are sold by the correct method of sale.
Indicator Name:	Percentage of regulated business with scanners in compliance with accuracy standards during the initial inspection
LaPAS PI Code:	22828
Type & Level	Outcome & Quality, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator is used to uncover any business that is engaged in poor maintenance or possible fraudulent activity. A business whose devices consistently fail routine annual exams will require more frequent inspections and may need to be brought before the commission and fined. The indicator is simple to calculate and reliable.
Use:	The indicator is used to ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Data is collected by our inspectors daily and entered into Winwam. Reporting is done at least quarterly or as often as needed.
Calculation Methodology:	Data is collected by our inspectors daily and entered into Winwam. The percentage is calculated in by our software. Reporting is done at least quarterly or as often as needed.
Scope:	All figures may be broken-down by state, parish, city, or inspector.
Caveats:	The collection of the data is expensive and time-consuming as it requires the inspector to physically visit and inspect each device at each business. The gathering of the information requires that the inspector follow a detailed protocol that is taught in training and perfected with practice
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	This has been used in internal and legislative audits. The accuracy of the data depends requires the inspector to follow a set testing protocol. There are no other means of verifying the data objectively.
Responsible Person:	Stephen Sessums, Director at 5825 Florida Blvd. Suite 5000 Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Phone # 225-925-8025. Ssessums@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Weights and Measures Commission
Objective:	To ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller by inspecting all weighing, measuring, metering, and scanning devices used commercially in the state. In addition to ensure that consumers get what they pay for, we will inspect packaged commodities sold by weight, measure, or count and make sure that they are sold by the correct method of sale.
Indicator Name:	Number of scanning device inspections performed
LaPAS PI Code:	22829
Type & Level	Outcome & Quality, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our inspectors work out of their homes and this helps us keep track of their productivity. These inspection reports must be signed by both the inspector and the business personnel.
Use:	The indicator is used to ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Data is collected by our inspectors daily and entered into Winwam. Reporting is done at least quarterly or as often as needed.
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count
Scope:	All figures may be broken-down by state, parish, city, or inspector.
Caveats:	The collection of the data is expensive and time-consuming as it requires the inspector to physically visit and inspect each device at each business. The gathering of the information requires that the inspector follow a detailed protocol that is taught in training and perfected with practice
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	This has been used in internal and legislative audits. The accuracy of the data depends requires the inspector to follow a set testing protocol. There are no other means of verifying the data objectively.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Weights and Measures Commission
Objective:	To ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller by inspecting all weighing, measuring, metering, and scanning devices used commercially in the state. In addition to ensure that consumers get what they pay for, we will inspect packaged commodities sold by weight, measure, or count and make sure that they are sold by the correct method of sale.
Indicator Name:	Percentage of prepackaged commodities tested in compliance with accuracy standards.
LaPAS PI Code:	22830
Type & Level	Outcome & Quality, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator is used to uncover any business that is engaged in poor quality control or possible fraudulent activity. A business whose packages consistently fail will require more frequent inspections and may need to be brought before the commission and fined. The indicator is simple to calculate and reliable.
Use:	The indicator is used to ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Data is collected by our inspectors whenever package inspections are performed and entered into Winwam. Reporting is done at least quarterly or as often as needed.
Calculation Methodology:	Method is done by dividing the number of prepackaged commodities who pass their inspection by the total number of packages inspected then multiplied by 100.
Scope:	All figures may be broken-down by state, parish, city, or inspector.
Caveats:	The collection of the data is expensive and time-consuming as it requires the inspector to physically visit and inspect each device at each business. The gathering of the information requires that the inspector follow a detailed protocol that is taught in training and perfected with practice
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Activity:	Weights and Measures Commission
Objective:	To ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller by inspecting all weighing, measuring, metering, and scanning devices used commercially in the state. In addition to ensure that consumers get what they pay for, we will inspect packaged commodities sold by weight, measure, or count and make sure that they are sold by the correct method of sale.
Indicator Name:	Number of prepackaged commodities tested
LaPAS PI Code:	6374
Type & Level	Outcome & Quality, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our inspectors work out of their homes and this helps us keep track of their productivity. These inspection reports must be signed by both the inspector and the business personnel.
Use:	The indicator is used to ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Data is collected by our inspectors whenever package inspections are performed and entered into Winwam. Reporting is done at least quarterly or as often as needed.
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count
Scope:	All figures may be broken-down by state, parish, city, or inspector.
Caveats:	The collection of the data is expensive and time-consuming as it requires the inspector to physically visit and inspect each device at each business. The gathering of the information requires that the inspector follow a detailed protocol that is taught in training and perfected with practice
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Weights and Measures Commission
Objective:	To ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller by inspecting all weighing, measuring, metering, and scanning devices used commercially in the state. In addition to ensure that consumers get what they pay for, we will inspect packaged commodities sold by weight, measure, or count and make sure that they are sold by the correct method of sale.
Indicator Name:	Number of package violations detected
LaPAS PI Code:	6375
Type & Level	Outcome & Quality, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	We assume that the label on the package accurately informs us of the contents and amount contained in the package. If we find that a company has a high failure rate, then we need to investigate for the source of the error.
Use:	The indicator is used to ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Data is collected by our inspectors whenever package inspections are performed and entered into Winwam. Reporting is done at least quarterly or as often as needed.
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count
Scope:	All figures may be broken-down by state, parish, city, or inspector.
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Activity:	Weights and Measures Commission
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Indicator Name:	Percentage of regulated businesses with fuel dispensers in compliance with accuracy standards during the initial inspection.
LaPAS PI Code:	22831
Type & Level	Outcome & Quality, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator is used to uncover any business that is engaged in poor maintenance or possible fraudulent activity. A business whose devices consistently fail routine annual exams will require more frequent inspections and may need to be brought before the commission and fined. The indicator is simple to calculate and reliable.
Use:	The indicator is used to ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Data is collected by our inspectors daily and entered into Winwam. Reporting is done at least quarterly or as often as needed.
Calculation Methodology:	The calculation method is done by dividing the number of businesses with this device that pass their annual routine inspection by the total number of regulated businesses with these devices then multiplying by 100.
Scope:	All figures may be broken-down by state, parish, city, or inspector.
Caveats:	The collection of the data is expensive and time-consuming as it requires the inspector to physically visit and inspect each device at each business. The gathering of the information requires that the inspector follow a detailed protocol that is taught in training and perfected with practice
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Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Weights and Measures Commission
Objective:	To ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller by inspecting all weighing, measuring, metering, and scanning devices used commercially in the state. In addition to ensure that consumers get what they pay for, we will inspect packaged commodities sold by weight, measure, or count and make sure that they are sold by the correct method of sale.
Indicator Name:	Number of field inspections conducted on petroleum dispensing devices
LaPAS PI Code:	22832
Type & Level	Outcome & Quality, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our inspectors work out of their homes and this helps us keep track of their productivity. These inspection reports must be signed by both the inspector and the business personnel.
Use:	The indicator is used to ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Data is collected by our inspectors whenever gas pumps are inspected and entered into Winwam. Reporting is done at least quarterly or as often as needed.
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count
Scope:	All figures may be broken-down by state, parish, city, or inspector.
Caveats:	The collection of the data is expensive and time-consuming as it requires the inspector to physically visit and inspect each device at each business. The gathering of the information requires that the inspector follow a detailed protocol that is taught in training and perfected with practice
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Activity:	Weights and Measures Commission
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Indicator Name:	Percentage of registered weighing devices in compliance with accuracy standards
LaPAS PI Code:	22833
Type & Level	Outcome & Quality, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator is used to uncover any business that is engaged in poor maintenance or possible fraudulent activity. A business whose devices consistently fail routine annual exams will require more frequent inspections and may need to be brought before the commission and fined. The indicator is simple to calculate and reliable.
Use:	The indicator is used to ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Data is collected by our inspectors daily and entered into Winwam. Reporting is done at least quarterly or as often as needed.
Calculation Methodology:	The calculation method is done by dividing the number of businesses with this device who pass their inspection by the total number of regulated businesses with these devices then multiplying by 100.
Scope:	All figures may be broken-down by state, parish, city, or inspector.
Caveats:	The collection of the data is expensive and time-consuming as it requires the inspector to physically visit and inspect each device at each business. The gathering of the information requires that the inspector follow a detailed protocol that is taught in training and perfected with practice
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Activity:	Weights and Measures Commission
Objective:	To ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller by inspecting all weighing, measuring, metering, and scanning devices used commercially in the state. In addition to ensure that consumers get what they pay for, we will inspect packaged commodities sold by weight, measure, or count and make sure that they are sold by the correct method of sale.
Indicator Name:	Number of scales tested
LaPAS PI Code:	22834
Type & Level	Outcome & Quality, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our inspectors work out of their homes and this helps us keep track of their productivity. These inspection reports must be signed by both the inspector and the business personnel.
Use:	The indicator is used to ensure that equity prevails in the marketplace for both the buyer and seller.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Data is collected by our inspectors daily and entered into Winwam. Reporting is done at least quarterly or as often as needed.
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count
Scope:	All figures may be broken-down by state, parish, city, or inspector.
Caveats:	The collection of the data is expensive and time-consuming as it requires the inspector to physically visit and inspect each device at each business. The gathering of the information requires that the inspector follow a detailed protocol that is taught in training and perfected with practice
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Farmers' Market Nutrition Program
Objective:	Through the Office of Agro-Consumer Services, to strengthen Louisiana farmer's markets and roadside stands and help small farmers to succeed by directing federal funds to low income senior consumers for direct purchases from farmers for locally grown fruits and vegetables.
Indicator Name:	Amount of Sales under program
LaPAS PI Code:	13993
Type & Level	Outcome , Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The indicator was chosen because it is a relevant and reliable measurement derived by definitive facts. The measurement of the quantity of coupons cashed correlates to the amount of funds that are utilized to increase the consumption of agricultural commodities by expanding, developing, or aiding in the development and expansion of domestic farmers' markets and roadside stands which is one of the two stated USDA purposes of the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program
Use:	The indicator is used for internal management purposes to provide information to help determine the quantity of senior coupons that should be issued during the next cycle.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The source of data is derived by internal log or database information accumulated by redemption records. The collection is generally on a monthly basis from prior month activity. We maintain the monthly records and compile an annual report after the end of each year's project.
Calculation Methodology:	This indicator is calculated by standard calculation method. Each senior's redeemed coupon valued at \$4 will be added and summed together to get the total sales figure.
Scope:	It could be possible to break down the sales data by parish.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Office of the Legislative Auditor reviews the Department's accounting records. The bank provides financial statements and canceled coupon checks that verify redemption.
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Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Farmers' Market Nutrition Program
Objective:	Through the Office of Agro-Consumer Services, to strengthen Louisiana farmer's markets and roadside stands and help small farmers to succeed by directing federal funds to low income senior consumers for direct purchases from farmers for locally grown fruits and vegetables.
Indicator Name:	Percentage of senior participants that consumed more fruits and vegetables because of the program
LaPAS PI Code:	22728
Type & Level	Outcome , Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The indicator was chosen because it is a relevant and reliable measurement derived by definitive facts. The measurement of the percentage of senior participants that consumed more fruits and vegetables because of the program correlates to one of the two USDA purposes of the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program which is to provide fresh, nutritious, unprepared, locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs, and honey from farmers' markets and roadside stands to low-income seniors.
Use:	The indicator will be used for internal management purposes to provide information to help determine the number of low-income seniors consuming more fruits and vegetables due to redemption of the coupons because of the program.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The source of data is derived by internal log or database information accumulated by program registration and redemption records. Registration records are accumulated annually and redemption records are recorded on a monthly basis from prior month activity. An annual report is compiled after the end of each year's project activity.
Calculation Methodology:	This indicator is calculated by standard calculation method. Each senior's redeemed coupon is recorded and compared to the total amount issued.
Scope:	It could be possible to break down the percentage of senior participants by parish.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Department registration records and bank financial statements and canceled coupon checks verify redemption rates.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Farmers' Market Nutrition Program
Objective:	Through the Office of Agro-Consumer Services, to strengthen Louisiana farmer's markets and roadside stands and help small farmers to succeed by directing federal funds to low income senior consumers for direct purchases from farmers for locally grown fruits and vegetables.
Indicator Name:	Number of farmers' market participating
LaPAS PI Code:	13994
Type & Level	Outcome , Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The indicator was chosen because it is a relevant and reliable measurement derived by definitive facts. The measurement of the number of farmers' markets correlates to one of the two USDA purposes of the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program which is to provide fresh, nutritious, unprepared, locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs, and honey from farmers' markets and roadside stands to low-income seniors.
Use:	The indicator will be used for internal management purposes to provide information to help determine the number of farmers' markets where low-income seniors can purchase fresh fruits and vegetables by the redemption of the coupons, thereby increasing their consumption.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The source of data is derived by internal log or database information accumulated by program registration and certification of participating farmers' markets. Registration records are accumulated annually and updated as new farmers' markets are registered and added into the program. An annual directory is compiled each year prior to the start of that year's program.
Calculation Methodology:	This indicator is calculated by standard calculation method. Each farmers' market is counted.
Scope:	It could be possible to break down the number of farmers' markets by parish.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Department registration of records verify participating farmers' market number.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Farmers' Market Nutrition Program
Objective:	Through the Office of Agro-Consumer Services, to strengthen Louisiana farmer's markets and roadside stands and help small farmers to succeed by directing federal funds to low income senior consumers for direct purchases from farmers for locally grown fruits and vegetables.
Indicator Name:	Number of roadside stands participating (Farmer Owned)
LaPAS PI Code:	13995
Type & Level	Outcome , Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The indicator was chosen because it is a relevant and reliable measurement derived by definitive facts. The measurement of the number of roadside stands correlates to one of the two USDA purposes of the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program which is to provide fresh, nutritious, unprepared, locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs, and honey from farmers' markets and roadside stands to low-income seniors.
Use:	The indicator will be used for internal management purposes to provide information to help determine the number of roadside stands where low-income seniors can purchase fresh fruits and vegetables by the redemption of the coupons, thereby increasing their consumption.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The source of data is derived by internal log or database information accumulated by program registration and certification of participating roadside stands. Registration records are accumulated annually and updated as new roadside stands are registered and added into the program. An annual directory is compiled each year prior to the start of that year's program
Calculation Methodology:	This indicator is calculated by standard calculation method. Each roadside stand is counted.
Scope:	It could be possible to break down the number of roadside stands by parish.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Department registration of records verify participating roadside stand number.
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Program:	Office of Agro-Consumer Services
Activity:	Farmers' Market Nutrition Program
Objective:	Through the Office of Agro-Consumer Services, to strengthen Louisiana farmer's markets and roadside stands and help small farmers to succeed by directing federal funds to low income senior consumers for direct purchases from farmers for locally grown fruits and vegetables.
Indicator Name:	Number of farmer participants in farmers' markets
LaPAS PI Code:	13992
Type & Level	Outcome , Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	The indicator was chosen because it is a relevant and reliable measurement derived by definitive facts. The measurement of the number of roadside stands correlates to one of the two USDA purposes of the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program which is to provide fresh, nutritious, unprepared, locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs, and honey from farmers' markets and roadside stands to low-income seniors.
Use:	The indicator will be used for internal management purposes to provide information to help determine the number of farmer participants from whom low-income seniors can purchase fresh fruits and vegetables by the redemption of the coupons, thereby increasing their consumption.
Clarity:	Yes. No.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The source of data is derived by internal log or database information accumulated by program registration and certification of participating farmers that sell at farmers' markets. Registration records are accumulated annually and updated as new farmers are registered and added into the program. An annual directory is compiled each year prior to the start of that year's program.
Calculation Methodology:	This indicator is calculated by standard calculation method. Each farmer that participates at a farmers' market is counted.
Scope:	It could be possible to break down the number of farmers by parish.
Caveats:	No
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Department registration of records verify the number of farmers participating in farmers' markets.
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OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

MISSION

The mission of the Office of Animal Health & Food Safety, through state and federal mandates, is to guard and protect the integrity of the livestock industry against animal diseases through diagnostic, preventative, eradication and other deterrent measures. Additionally the office is responsible for protecting the food chain, public health and general welfare of the Louisiana citizenry by assuring that meat, seafood, poultry, eggs, fruits and vegetables and their products are properly identified, labeled, inspected and accurately graded. The Office of Animal Health & Food Safety shall also be responsible for the control of livestock theft and denying a market for stolen cattle and horses in Louisiana, all in accordance with applicable law. The Food Distribution Program administers the USDA Commodity Program (Sections 2 and 6 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act, The Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983, and 7CFR 250, 251). The Office of Animal Health & Food Safety is presently responsible for coordinating the department's Emergency Management and Response before, during and after a disaster. LDAF administers ESF-4, Firefighting and ESF-11, Agriculture. LDAF Emergency Management Division manages the business of these vital functions; a complex endeavor that requires planning, preparation and practice to fulfill the mission when the need arrives.

GOAL

The goal of this program is to maintain a safe and healthful food supply for the people of Louisiana, while simultaneously protecting and safeguarding the producers of these products. The program inspects and grades food products, controls livestock diseases and tracks ownership of livestock through a branding activity. The activities of this program are: Administrative, Federal/State Meat Program, Poultry and Egg Inspection, Food Quality Services, Livestock Disease Prevention, Livestock Theft Prevention, Emergency Management and Food Distribution Program.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: LIVESTOCK BRAND COMMISSION - (R.S. 3:732) The Livestock Brand Commission is responsible for the protection of property through the investigation of farm related crimes with the main focus on the identification of livestock through registered brands and markings. Twelve employees across the state are commissioned law enforcement officers who protect lives and property, deter and investigate agricultural related crimes, bring perpetrators to justice and perform other related duties. They are responsible for performing the following tasks: monitoring and inspecting all livestock at video or public sales as well as any livestock either in shipping or to be shipped; identifying criminal activity involving farm related crimes and apprehending criminals; providing specialized assistance when a massive application of manpower is required during disaster, civil disturbance or terrorist situation; providing assistance to law enforcement agencies in investigating farm related crime; providing assistance to persons unable to help themselves, or are in danger or in need of other emergency services; and conducting various informational programs for the public in regards to livestock identification and farm related crimes.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: FOOD QUALITY SERVICES (FRUITS AND VEGETABLES) - (R.S. 3:405) (Title 3, Chapter 5) The Food Quality Services (FQS) program provides unbiased

third party (collaborator) inspections, state inspections, and shipping point inspections for fresh fruits and vegetables grown in Louisiana. This program inspects and certifies grade, quality and condition of fresh fruits, vegetables, peanuts and pecans at shipping ports and receiving markets in the state; and inspects and certifies fresh produce purchased by federal and state institutions. The FQS program has a cooperative agreement with the USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Branch to provide Federal/State inspection services and GHP/GAP audit services. Food quality services will begin implementation of the FSMA rule over the next 1-5 years as required by FDA.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: POULTRY AND EGGS - (R.S. 3:405; 3:410) (Title 3, Chapter 5)
The Poultry & Egg Division is responsible for establishing grades for poultry and eggs sold in Louisiana. The Division is authorized through cooperative agreements with the USDA to establish and maintain grading services at authorized USDA poultry and egg plants; provide fee grading services at off-plant locations; and perform shell egg surveillance at all shell egg plants and hatcheries. The Poultry and Eggs Division is responsible for enforcing State laws, rules and regulations for egg and poultry production, packing and sales. The Louisiana Egg Commission is charged by the State Legislature with the duty of promoting eggs and egg products in Louisiana, issuing licenses to all producers, packers, processors, wholesalers, brokers, or any other entity except retailers. In addition the Commission has the authority to hold hearings on any violation of the State Egg Marketing laws and revoke or suspend licenses if necessary. The LDAF Poultry and Egg Division is responsible for the regulation and enforcement of all rules and regulations pertaining to the Egg Commission. The Commission is composed of nine members appointed by the Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry who serves as an ex-officio member. The Commissioner appoints someone from his staff to serve as Director of the Egg Commission and the Department provides staffing for the Commission. In return, the Commission provides \$30,000 per year to the Department to cover the cost of these services. The Egg Commission derives its funding from a \$0.02 per case assessment on all eggs sold in Louisiana, a \$100 per year license fee, and per diem and travel charges for audit work.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: VETERINARY HEALTH DIVISION (formerly known as LIVESTOCK SANITARY BOARD) - (R.S. 3:2091) The mission of the Office of Animal Health & Food Safety, Veterinary Health Division, is to protect livestock from infectious diseases through detection, prevention, eradication and other response measures. The Division is responsible for protecting the public health and general welfare of Louisiana citizens by ensuring the health and well-being of the animals that are raised to enter the food chain. Program activities include: 1) supporting animal disease diagnostic capabilities with the LDAF Poultry Diagnostic Lab and the National Animal Health Laboratory Network; 2) conducting disease surveillance, including monitoring movement of animals into and out of Louisiana at livestock congregation points such as public auction markets and livestock shows; 3) issuing and approving livestock entry permits, equine passports, and health certificates; 4) conducting disease investigations of reportable diseases, including possible Foreign Animal/Emerging Disease reports; 5) implementing USDA disease programs at the state level through cooperative agreements; 6) providing program outreach and supplies to stakeholders, including producers, academia, industry, and veterinarians; 7) educating stakeholders and enforcing compliance with state/federal animal health regulations within the state; 8) insuring that biologics are correctly approved, monitored and used; 9) assisting the implementation of the National Veterinary

Accreditation Program; 10) inspecting and approving animals purchased by LA Prison Industries; 11) certifying bonds and letters of credit for auction market; 12) inspecting litter/poultry disposal sites, offal & inedible businesses, and rendering plants; 13) providing regulatory monitoring for the turtle and the alternative livestock industries; and, 14) providing resources for activities of the Boards of Animal Health and the Louisiana Aquatic Chelonian Research & Promotion Board.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – (R.S. 29:726) LDAF has the responsibility as authorized by the Louisiana Emergency Operation Plan to administer two of the fifteen Emergency Support Functions. These functions are ESF-4, Firefighting and ESF-11, Agriculture. LDAF Emergency Management Division manages the business of these vital functions. Emergency management is a complex endeavor that requires year round planning, preparation and practice to fulfill the mission when the need arrives. Full time year round staffing is utilized by LDAF to meet the needs of its emergency response responsibilities.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: MEAT INSPECTION - (R.S. 3:4201) Louisiana's Meat and Poultry Inspection Program is a cooperative state-federal program. Its mission is to provide consumers with safe, wholesome, properly labeled meat and poultry products. The Program is responsible for inspecting all livestock and poultry harvested and processed in Louisiana regulated facilities; inspecting state regulated meat and poultry processing facilities for compliance with federal and state requirements; operating an accredited laboratory that analyzes meat and poultry products for economic and microbiological adulteration; reviewing and approving the labels of meat and poultry products to assure that accurate product information is supplied to the consumer. This Program provides continuous inspection to commercial slaughter and processing facilities, as well as periodic inspection of custom slaughter and processing plants. Inspected slaughter establishments, inspected processors, custom slaughterers, custom processors and warehouses distributing meat and poultry products must be permitted by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry. The Program also has a compliance segment responsible for investigating violations of meat and poultry regulations such as illegal slaughter, processing, and sale of uninspected meat and poultry products. Program compliance officers conduct food safety surveillance reviews at retail stores, restaurants, and distribution warehouses to ensure that meat and poultry products in commerce have been inspected, are being stored properly and have not been adulterated or contaminated after leaving the processing facility. Compliance officers also investigate consumer complaints. Under the state-federal cooperative agreement, the Program must enforce requirements "at least equal to" those imposed under the Federal Meat Inspection Act and Poultry Products Inspection Act. FSIS provides up to 50% of the State's operating funds, as well as training and other assistance.

Grading & Certification: The Meat Inspection Division provides a voluntary Grading and Certification Program for meat, poultry, and fish products. This program assures that meat products purchased by institutions and schools meet the USDA Institutional Meat Purchasing Specifications and that poultry and fish products meet the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry Standard Specifications for Grading & Certification. The Grading & Certification Program prevents a vendor from shipping a lower valued product than what the purchaser specified, which results in substantial savings for both state institutions and participating school

systems. This Program is funded through a \$0.04/pound fee paid by participating vendors for the certification of their product.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: FOOD DISTRIBUTION – The Food Distribution Program ensures the USDA commodities are distributed to eligible recipient agencies and that those agencies are reviewed as required. Further, the office ensures the safe storage and handling of the commodities until consumed. The Food Distribution Program is responsible for the ordering, warehousing, and distribution of foods purchased by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for use in federally approved child nutrition programs and for food purchased for distribution to low income citizens and families. It also is responsible for ensuring that recipient agencies are operated in compliance with federal requirements (agreement, regulation and law) by monitoring receiving agencies (schools, summer feeding sponsors, food banks and their member agencies), resolving findings and reporting activities to the USDA which ensure that these foods are protected and are distributed only to those who are eligible to receive these benefits.

LIVESTOCK BRAND COMMISSION

MISSION

The Livestock Brand Commission is an enforcement agency in the Department of Agriculture and Forestry that specializes in the theft of animals, the illegal branding or marking of animals, the theft of any farm machinery, equipment, or any other farm-related crime.

OBJECTIVE 1

The Livestock Brand Commission strives to protect and safeguard Louisiana agriculture. It comprises five major areas: theft prevention, investigative, identification, Crimestoppers Program and public relations.

STRATEGY 1.1 To provide theft prevention and investigative services to a 2.176 billion dollar agriculture industry which includes the following: cattle, equine, hogs, emu, ostrich, turtle, sheep, exotic, chemicals, farm machinery and equipment.

STRATEGY 1.2 To provide annual educational enforcement training to all of our employees.

Performance Indicators:

- Percent of Theft Cases Cleared
- Percentage of cases in which you were able to account for the property

Customers: Farmers, Cattlemen, Horsemen

Limiting Factors: Funding Manpower

The Livestock Brand Commission is a law enforcement agency with (6) employees:

(1) Director; (4) Commissioned Livestock Brand Inspectors and (1) State Brand Recorder. The office consists of five (5) major components:

- 1) Theft Prevention
- 2) Investigative
- 3) Identification
- 4) Crimestoppers Program
- 5) Public Relations

STATE BRAND RECORDING

In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes (RS 3:736-741) the Livestock Brand Commission maintains a file of all brand or mark for cattle, horses, mules, sheep, hogs, dogs, and other animals as determined by the commission for the state of Louisiana. The Livestock Brand Commission also publishes a list of all recorded brands and marks in a book form.

INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES

The Livestock Brand Commission provides theft prevention and investigative services to a 2.176 billion dollar agriculture industry which includes the following: cattle, equine, hogs, emu ostrich, turtle, sheep, exotic, chemicals, farm machinery and equipment. The Livestock Brand Commission conducts all investigations, both interdepartmental and otherwise, as directed by the Commissioner.

CRIME PREVENTION

Livestock Brand Commission officers inspect and individually identify each head of livestock sold in public markets in the State of Louisiana including video sales. Descriptions, hot iron, cold brands and electronic identification, along with serial numbers, are all valid identification tools. Officer patrol service is also included in this category during high crime periods. Livestock Brand Commission officers patrol 4H and FFA livestock shows to prevent cheating among contestants. Livestock Brand Commission officers also make public appearances with assorted agricultural groups with tips on how to better protect their livestock and property from theft.

CRIMESTOPPERS PROGRAM

The Livestock Brand Commission Crimestoppers Program is another tool used to assist law enforcement agencies in detecting and combating agricultural crime and is sponsored by the Louisiana Cattlemen's Association and the Louisiana Farm Bureau. The program is made public through posters and the media.

FOOD QUALITY SERVICES DIVISION

MISSION

The mission of the Food Quality Services (formerly Fruits and Vegetables Division) is to provide unbiased third party inspection (collaborator) at terminal markets, to provide shipping point inspections when needed, and to provide inspections for state institutions and other state and parish entities that voluntarily come under the Fruit and Vegetable Inspection Program. Our

personnel are licensed by the USDA in the following capacities:

OBJECTIVE 2

Through the Office of Animal Health and Food Safety, to continue to provide unbiased third party inspection (collaborator) at terminal markets, inspections for state institutions and other state and parish entities that come under the fruit and vegetables.

STRATEGY 2.1 Maintain cooperative agreements with USDA by way of collaborator and shipping point inspections.

STRATEGY 2.2 Continue all State programs that are now in existence through school lunch and state institution inspections of fruits and vegetables.

STRATEGY 2.3 Enforcement of all rules and regulations governing marketing of fresh fruits and vegetables.

STRATEGY 2.4 Implementation of new citrus rules and regulations.

Performance Indicators:

- Percent of fruit and vegetables inspected and passed

PROGRAM IMPACT

Number of Food Quality Inspectors	5
Number of inspections performed	892
Pounds of product inspected	6,382,332
Money generated	\$78,915.12

POULTRY AND EGG DIVISION

MISSION

The overall mission of the Poultry and Egg Division is to protect the consumer and ensure that the poultry, egg and poultry and egg products are wholesome and are of the quantity and quality represented on the label. The division also promotes consumer use of poultry and eggs through the Louisiana Egg Commission.

OBJECTIVE 3

Through the Office of Animal Health and Food Safety, to continue to protect the consumer and ensure that the poultry, egg and the poultry and egg products are wholesome and of the quality

represented on the label.

- STRATEGY 3.1** Maintain cooperative agreements with USDA.
- STRATEGY 3.2** Provide qualified, licensed graders for all USDA poultry & egg facilities in Louisiana.
- STRATEGY 3.3** Provide fee grading service for non USDA poultry & egg facilities.
- STRATEGY 3.4** Provide graders to perform federal egg surveillance for Louisiana egg plants and hatcheries.
- STRATEGY 3.5** Perform all USDA destination inspections and reviews for poultry and eggs.
- STRATEGY 3.6** Continue all state programs that are now in existence.
- STRATEGY 3.7** Enforce the State Egg Marketing Law.

Performance Indicators:

- Percent of poultry passed
- Percent of eggs and egg product inspected and passed

PROGRAM IMPACT

Number of poultry & egg inspectors	10
Number of poultry inspections performed (fee)	146
Number of pounds inspected	5,181,119
Number of egg inspection performed	3,836
Number of dozens inspected	2,372,890
Money generated	\$378,634.20

VETERINARY HEALTH DIVISION

OVERALL MISSION: The Veterinary Health Division is responsible for protecting Louisiana livestock from infectious diseases by administering State and Federal disease surveillance programs that include inspecting livestock at congregation points such as auction markets and LSU 4-H shows, monitoring livestock diagnostic testing in the state, investigating disease reports, and responding to confirmed disease cases through containment, controlled movement, eradication, and other response measures in order to prevent the spread of an animal disease in the state.

OBJECTIVE 4

To continue the detection, prevention, control, monitoring and eradication of endemic, zoonotic,

foreign, and emerging animal diseases in livestock, poultry, farm raised cervid (deer, elf, and antelope), aquatics, and turtles. To document the number of infectious disease cases that that would restrict movement of animals in commerce.

- STRATEGY 4.1** Monitor testing reports from official diagnostic labs to identify positive tests for reportable animal diseases.
- STRATEGY 4.2** Track test reports by entering data into spreadsheets and electronic databases.
- STRATEGY 4.3** Monitor disease reports from other state/federal agencies, private veterinarians, and producers regarding livestock and poultry diseases.
- STRATEGY 4.4** Investigate suspicious disease reports from other state/federal agencies, private veterinarians, and producers regarding livestock and poultry diseases.
- STRATEGY 4.5** Issue quarantine notices to stop livestock or poultry movement if infectious disease is suspected.
- STRATEGY 4.6** Issue VS Form1-27 or other permitted movement document to control movement of livestock or poultry if infectious disease has been confirmed.

Performance indicators

- Number of livestock disease cases that would restrict movement of animals in commerce including quarantines and restricted movement permits.
- Number of positive and negative test results entered into spreadsheets and electronic databases
- Number of Foreign Animal/Emerging/Zoonotic Disease cases reported to office and entered into the Emergency Management Response System (EMRS).
- Number of investigative disease reports filed with office.
- Number of quarantine notices issued and filed with office.
- Number of VS Form 1-27 notices issued and filed with office.

VETERINARY HEALTH DIVISION

The Division has 4 administrative staff personnel and 17 FT/1 PT lab and field personnel who work with other governmental agencies, private veterinarians, producers, industry and academia to ensure the safety of the meat and poultry that enter the food chain. Office personnel maintain paper and electronic records of animal health certificates and livestock testing information that attest to the health of animals within the state, leaving the state, and entering the state. Field personnel inspect production and processing sites, investigate reportable diseases, and monitor livestock sold at auction markets for signs of disease. Livestock identification and premises information is collected and maintained to trace an animal's movement or to stop animal

movement in the face of a disease outbreak. The Poultry Diagnostic Lab works closely with commercial and backyard flock owners in testing birds that may be sold locally, nationally, or internationally or that may be entered into a local 4-H show. The division provides outreach to producers and veterinarians at local and regional meetings and to veterinary students through federal accreditation and loan repayment programs. The division coordinates activities and meetings for the Board of Animal Health and the Louisiana Aquatic Chelonian Research and Promotion Board.

Federal and/or State Programs include:

1. Animal Disease Traceability
2. Avian Health
3. Cattle Health
4. Equine, Cervid, Small Ruminant
5. Swine Health
6. Zoonotic Disease/Foreign Animal Disease
7. Alternative Livestock
8. Trichomoniasis
9. Equine Infectious Anemia
10. Reportable Diseases--Equine Encephalitis
11. Farm-Raised Turtles
12. Livestock permitting-health certificates and passports
13. Brucellosis Calf-Hood Vaccinations
14. National Veterinary Accreditation
15. Veterinary Loan Repayment
16. Animal Care Standards
17. Auction Market/livestock buyer Registration
18. 4-H Show livestock inspections
19. Biological Approvals
20. Rendering Plant Inspections
21. Prison Enterprise Inspections
22. Certified/Accredited Herds
23. Supplies for Accredited Veterinarians

MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION PROGRAM

MISSION

The mission of the Louisiana Meat and Poultry Inspection Program is to provide the consumer with a wholesome and safe meat supply.

OBJECTIVE 5

Program objectives are to ensure consumers receives only safe, wholesome and unadulterated meat and meat products, and that only properly labeled meat products (reflecting the actual ingredients) are provided to the consumer.

- STRATEGY 5.1** Inspect all animals slaughtered and/or processed in state plants.
- STRATEGY 5.2** Assure that custom facilities which slaughter and/or process individual's animals are maintained in a sanitary manner.
- STRATEGY 5.3** Enforce rules and regulations through use of a compliance program.
- STRATEGY 5.4** Maintain laboratory testing for food borne pathogens, i.e., listeria, salmonella, e coli 0157:H7.
- STRATEGY 5.5** Continue cross-utilization cooperative agreement with USDA by staffing federal plants with state personnel.
- STRATEGY 5.6** Continue testing of meat products through Chemistry Program to protect consumers from economic fraud.
- STRATEGY 5.7** Continue in plant residue testing for show animals.
- STRATEGY 5.8** Continue training for both industry and inspection under (HACCP).
- STRATEGY 5.9** Continue to provide meaningful information for inspection personnel and industry on latest inspection innovations.
- STRATEGY 5.10** Transition from Performance Based Inspection System (PBIS) to Public Health Inspection System (PHIS).

MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION PROGRAM

In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes (RS 3:4201 - 4233), the Meat and Poultry Inspection Program continues to ensure that consumers receive only safe, wholesome, unadulterated meat and poultry products that are properly labeled. This program is a cooperative state-federal program receiving 50% of its funding from USDA. The program is responsible for inspecting all livestock and poultry harvested and processed in State regulated facilities, inspecting and approving the premises of meat and poultry processing facilities according to federal and state requirements, operating a USDA accredited laboratory for analyses of meat samples, reviewing and approving the labels for all meat and poultry products to assure that accurate product information is supplied to the consumer and investigating violations of meat and poultry regulations such as illegal slaughter, processing, and sale of uninspected meat products. The Program also provides a voluntary Grading and Certification service for meat, poultry, and fish products. This service certifies that products purchased by institutions and schools meet specified quality characteristics and prevents vendors from substituting lower quality products. In addition, the Program provides staffing in USDA regulated meat and poultry

establishments under a signed cross-utilization agreement where the state is reimbursed per hour for each inspection hour provided.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION DIVISION

The Food Distribution division is responsible for administering the USDA donated food commodity program in Louisiana. A staff of 17 employees is utilized to order, warehouse and distribute these donated foods to approximately 700 recipient agencies throughout the state, and to monitor these recipient agencies to ensure compliance with all State and Federal policies and laws. Program categories include:

1. National School Lunch and Breakfast Program
2. Emergency Food Assistance Program
3. Summer Feeding Program
4. Disaster Assistance Program

Commodities are ordered from USDA based upon the needs of recipient agencies and the availability of items. Products are received at contract and state-operated warehouses. Strict inventory and quality control are maintained at these warehouses under the supervision of the Food Distribution Division. Commodities are distributed to recipient agencies on a regular basis. As an added service, the division provides delivery to all parish and diocese school food authorities who are unable to pick up the commodities. Monitoring is accomplished through the use of field staff who visit recipient agencies on a regular basis. These field audits ensure that all policies are understood, that commodities are stored and utilized in the most effective manner, that all civil rights requirements are met, and that all recipients of commodity assistance are eligible to receive benefits. The Food Distribution division also administers the USDA Donated Food Processing Program. The program allows recipient agencies to contract with food processors in order to convert USDA commodities into finished end products at low cost. This is not only advantageous to the recipient agency, but also is a source of revenue for processing firms. Value of commodities distributed annually ranges from \$18-35 million, depending on USDA purchases.

OBJECTIVE 6

To maintain the administrative cost of the Food Distribution Program at no more than five percent of the value of commodities distributed.

STRATEGY 6.1 Maintain less than a six month supply of commodities on-hand at any time during the school year.

STRATEGY 6.2 Upgrade the Food Distribution computer system to be completed by 2018.

STRATEGY 6.3 Continue expansion of diversion of commodities options to approved processors as requested by School Food Authorities.

STRATEGY 6.4 Process claims for losses of commodities within 30 days of receipt.

STRATEGY 6.5 Process claims for reimbursement from food banks within 30 days of receipt

Performance Indicators

- **Number of Compliance Audits**
- **Inventory Turnover**

Customers

- School children
- Needy families

Limiting Factor

- Funding

OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH

The Board of Animal Health was established in (RS 3:2091) as the regulatory body responsible for adopting rules and regulations for the control of livestock disease, holding hearings and conducting investigations, issuing public charters (auction markets), and holding civil proceedings and imposing civil penalties for violations.

LIVESTOCK BRAND COMMISSION

The Livestock Brand Commission was created within the Department of Agriculture and Forestry. The commission shall exercise and perform its powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities as provided by (R.S. 36:629)(D)(1).

LOUISIANA EGG COMMISSION

The commission consists of seven members appointed by the Commissioner and confirmed by the Senate. Two members are active egg producers. Two members are active distributors. Two members have knowledge of the egg industry. One member is appointed from the public at large. The Commissioner, or his designee, serves as ex-officio and has all rights and responsibilities of appointed members. The Commissioner, or his designee, shall be counted for purposes of constituting a quorum. The Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry is an ex-officio member. The Commissioner appoints someone from his staff to serve as Director of the Egg Commission and the Department provides staffing for the Commission. The Commission gives the Department \$30,000.00 yearly to help offset the cost of these services.

The Egg Commission derives its funding from a \$.02/30 dozen case assessment on all eggs

produced and processed in Louisiana and all eggs produced elsewhere and distributed in Louisiana. Any entity engaged in producing, packing, processing, and distributing eggs for retail must have a license. The funds are collected by the Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry. The funds derived from the assessments are deposited into the State Treasury, in a special fund to the credit of the Louisiana Egg Commission. All licensees can be audited yearly and must be audited at least every two years. Licensees will pay mileage and per diem.

The purpose of the Louisiana Egg Commission is to educate the consumers of Louisiana on the good nutritional value of eggs. The Egg Commission also approves and issues licenses for all entities engaged in egg production and wholesales, and to hold hearings and if necessary suspend or revoke licenses of flagrant violators.

The Egg Commission promotes eggs in many ways. Some of the on-going yearly functions are:

- Working closely with the American Egg Board on all state activities.
- Co-sponsors statewide egg cookery contest with the Louisiana State University Cooperative Extension Service.
- A yearly co-sponsor with the Louisiana Poultry Federation of egg breakfasts for the House and Senate.
- Participate in the following trade shows annually:
 - a. State Fair in Shreveport---a booth and an omelet brunch
 - b. Monroe Ag Exposition
 - c. Louisiana School Food Service annual meeting

The Commission purchases most of the literature and promotional gifts through the American Egg Board. Most of the radio promotions are through the Louisiana Network News as the Commission feels that LNN provides the most coverage for the dollar.

LOUISIANA STRAWBERRY MARKETING BOARD

Established in (R.S. 3:471-478), now listed as (R.S. 3:730.1-730.8) to promote the general wellbeing of the strawberry industry of the state of Louisiana by promoting increased production and quality in Louisiana strawberries through marketing and research; by expanding the market for Louisiana strawberries through promotion and marketing; by increasing the consumption of strawberries in Louisiana through advertising, promotion and marketing; by providing producers, distributors, retailers and consumers with educational information as to the nutritional and health value of strawberries, and by performing any other act deemed advisable in promoting this industry and the general welfare of the people of this state.

The department collects an assessment that is levied on all strawberries produced in Louisiana or produced elsewhere and distributed in Louisiana. For all strawberries sold by volume or dry measure, this assessment is levied on each pint, or equivalent, of strawberries in the amount of \$.00165 for each pint. For all strawberries sold by weight, this assessment is levied on each pound of strawberries in the amount of \$.00185 per pound. Assessments are remitted to the department by dealers and suppliers of containers used for Louisiana produced strawberries and by retailers for strawberries produced elsewhere and sold in Louisiana.

The board working with the department implements all promotional campaigns for advertising, publicizing, projects, and activities for promoting the increased consumption of Louisiana strawberries. The department also provides financial reports to the board detailing all assessments collected and funds transferred to the board to cover administrative costs and to fund promotional endeavors.

LOUISIANA CRAWFISH PROMOTION AND RESEARCH BOARD

Established in R.S. (3:556.1-556.13) for the purpose of providing a voluntary method of raising revenues to be used to develop markets for Louisiana crawfish and for funding research which will increase production of Louisiana crawfish. The department collects assessments on all crawfish bags sold in Louisiana to crawfish farmers and harvesters at the rate of 2.0 cents per bag and on all artificial bait sold in Louisiana at the rate of 1/4 cent per pound (\$5/ton). The assessments are paid by crawfish farmers and harvesters at the first point of sale and remitted to the department on a quarterly basis by the manufacturer or distributor. Each farmer or harvester who purchases bags or artificial bait in Louisiana may obtain a refund of the assessments by submitting a written request within fifteen days after the end of the quarter in which the bait or bags were purchased. Copies of sales receipts or invoices showing the amount of bait or bags purchased must accompany the request. The department retains 3% of the assessment collected for administrative costs and transfers the balance to the board. Department staff provides financial reports to the board detailing all assessments collected, refunds to farmers and harvesters and funds transferred to the board to cover their administrative costs and to fund promotion and research projects.

LOUISIANA AQUATIC CHELONIAN RESEARCH & PROMOTION BOARD

The Chelonian Board was established in (RS 3:559.23) to promote the growth and development of Louisiana's aquatic chelonian industry by expanding research related to aquatic chelonians, improving the quality and variety of Louisiana aquatic chelonians through research, and increasing sales of Louisiana aquatic chelonians through advertising and marketing, thereby promoting the general welfare of the people of this state.

LOUISIANA CATFISH PROMOTION & RESEARCH BOARD

Established in (R.S. 3:558.1-558.13) for the purpose of providing a voluntary method of raising revenues to be used for the purposes of developing markets for Louisiana catfish and for funding research and educational activities for the Louisiana catfish industry. This board was abolished by Acts 2014, No 832, §4.

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Livestock Brand Commission
Activity:	Livestock
Objective:	Carrying out the statutory responsibility stated in R.S. 3:731-750, the commissioned law enforcement officers protect property through the investigation of farm related crimes with the main focus on the identification of livestock via brands, microchip & tattoos.
Indicator Name:	Percent of theft cases cleared
LaPAS PI Code:	24319
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the number of livestock and farm related crimes investigated and resolved. This indicator is relevant to the effectiveness of the law enforcement efforts of the officers.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of compliance and enforcement action that should be administered.
Clarity:	This indicator quantifies the law enforcement accomplishments of this program
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of criminal complaints..
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by dividing the number of actual incidences by the number from the desired target.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	Due to the unpredictability of which cases will be solved and the property accounted for, the target figures for cases will sometimes not be met or exceeded.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	All data is reviewed by LDAF Management and Finance.
Responsible Person:	John Walther, Assistant Commissioner Director, Telephone: (225)-925-3962, Fax: (225)-923-4873, jwalther@ldaf.la.gov

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Livestock Brand Commission
Activity:	Livestock
Objective:	Carrying out the statutory responsibility stated in R.S. 3:731-750, the commissioned law enforcement officers protect property through the investigation of farm related crimes with the main focus on the identification of livestock via brands, microchip & tattoos.
Indicator Name:	Percent of cases for which property was accounted for or recovered.
LaPAS PI Code:	23497
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the number of livestock and farm related crimes investigated and resolved. This indicator is relevant to the effectiveness of the law enforcement efforts of the officers.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of compliance and enforcement action that should be administered.
Clarity:	This indicator quantifies the law enforcement accomplishments of this program
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of criminal investigations.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all complaints that were handled successfully annually.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	Due to the unpredictability of which cases will be solved and the property accounted for, the target figures will sometimes not be met or exceeded.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	All data is reviewed by LDAF Management and Finance.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Livestock Brand Commission
Activity:	Livestock
Objective:	Carrying out the statutory responsibility stated in R.S. 3:731-750, the commissioned law enforcement officers protect property through the investigation of farm related crimes with the main focus on the identification of livestock via brands, microchip & tattoos.
Indicator Name:	Total number of investigations
LaPAS PI Code:	812
Type & Level	Output; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the number of livestock and farm related crimes investigated. This indicator is relevant to the effectiveness of the law enforcement efforts of the officers.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of compliance and enforcement action that should be administered.
Clarity:	This indicator quantifies the law enforcement accomplishments of this program
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of criminal investigations.
Calculation Methodology:	This is a standard calculation arrived by the number of actual investigations by the officers.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	All data is reviewed by LDAF Management and Finance.
Responsible Person:	John Walther, Assistant Commissioner Director, Telephone: (225)-925-3962, Fax: (225)-923-4873, jwalther@ldaf.la.gov

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Livestock Brand Commission
Activity:	Livestock
Objective:	Carrying out the statutory responsibility stated in R.S. 3:731-750, the commissioned law enforcement officers protect property through the investigation of farm related crimes with the main focus on the identification of livestock via brands, microchip & tattoos.
Indicator Name:	New brands registered
LaPAS PI Code:	24320
Type & Level	Output; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen as a measure of the success of the brand registration program.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the resources and manpower needed to accomplish this program.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of criminal investigations.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all new livestock brands registered.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	All data is reviewed by LDAF Management and Finance.
Responsible Person:	John Walther, Assistant Commissioner Director, Telephone: (225)-925-3962, Fax: (225)-923-4873, jwalther@ldaf.la.gov

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Livestock Brand Commission
Activity:	Livestock
Objective:	Carrying out the statutory responsibility stated in R.S. 3:731-750, the commissioned law enforcement officers protect property through the investigation of farm related crimes with the main focus on the identification of livestock via brands, microchip & tattoos.
Indicator Name:	Number of livestock monitored and inspected at video or public sale
LaPAS PI Code:	22804
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because as a measure of the surveillance conducted for tracking livestock at public markets.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of compliance and enforcement action that should be administered.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained from the LDAF brand inspection database. Information collected at livestock markets is uploaded weekly to the central database.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all livestock inspected.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	Due to the seasonal patterns of livestock markets this number will vary each quarter.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	All data is reviewed by LDAF Management and Finance.
Responsible Person:	John Walther, Assistant Commissioner Director, Telephone: (225)-925-3962, Fax: (225)-923-4873, jwalther@ldaf.la.gov

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Food Quality Services Division
Activity:	Food Quality
Objective:	To continue to provide unbiased third party inspections (collaborator) at terminal markets, to provide shipping point inspections when needed, and provide inspections for state institutions and other state and parish entities that voluntarily come under the fruit and vegetable inspection program.
Indicator Name:	Percent inspected and passed
LaPAS PI Code:	22805
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to measure quality of produce received for institutional use and warehouse acceptability.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of mislabeled produce.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory inspections performed monthly.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by dividing the amount of produce rejected by the amount of produce accepted.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Eric Lee, Food Quality Services Assistant Director, 225-925-3773, Fax: 225-237-5930; elee@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Food Quality Services Division
Activity:	Food Quality
Objective:	To continue to provide unbiased third party inspections (collaborator) at terminal markets, to provide shipping point inspections when needed, and provide inspections for state institutions and other state and parish entities that voluntarily come under the fruit and vegetable inspection program.
Indicator Name:	Number of federal and state inspections
LaPAS PI Code:	22806
Type & Level	Efficiency; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to measure quality of produce received for institutional use and warehouse acceptability.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of federal and state inspections performed quarterly.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory federal and state inspections performed monthly.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all federal and state inspections performed quarterly.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	The number of federal and state inspections could depend on the number of inspections requested.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Food Quality Services Division
Activity:	Food Quality
Objective:	To continue to provide unbiased third party inspections (collaborator) at terminal markets, to provide shipping point inspections when needed, and provide inspections for state institutions and other state and parish entities that voluntarily come under the fruit and vegetable inspection program.
Indicator Name:	Number of pounds inspected
LaPAS PI Code:	788
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen to measure quality of produce received for institutional use and warehouse acceptability.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount (poundage) of fruits and vegetables inspected.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory inspections performed monthly.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all pounds inspected quarterly.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	The number of pounds inspected could depend on number of inspections requested.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Poultry & Egg Program
Activity:	Poultry & Egg
Objective:	To continue to protect the consumer and ensure that the poultry, egg and the poultry and egg products are wholesome and of the quality represented on the label.
Indicator Name:	Percent of poultry passed
LaPAS PI Code:	22807
Type & Level	Quality; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the percentage of pounds of poultry passed during inspections in the poultry production facilities in Louisiana. It is our goal to ensure proper grade, labeling, and handling of poultry and poultry products.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the percentage of poultry passed annually.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory inspections performed monthly.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by dividing the amount of poultry rejected by the amount of poultry accepted.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Poultry & Egg Program
Activity:	Poultry & Egg
Objective:	To continue to protect the consumer and ensure that the poultry, egg and the poultry and egg products are wholesome and of the quality represented on the label.
Indicator Name:	Pounds of poultry passed
LaPAS PI Code:	21682
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of pounds of poultry passed during inspections in the poultry production facilities in Louisiana. It is our goal to ensure proper grade, labeling, and handling of poultry and poultry products.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the poundage of poultry passed during inspections in the production facilities.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory federal and state inspections performed monthly.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all pounds of poultry passed during inspections performed quarterly.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	The amount of pounds could fluctuate due to the amount of USDA school lunch inspections performed.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Poultry & Egg Program
Activity:	Poultry & Egg
Objective:	To continue to protect the consumer and ensure that the poultry, egg and the poultry and egg products are wholesome and of the quality represented on the label.
Indicator Name:	Number of certificates issued - poultry
LaPAS PI Code:	22808
Type & Level	Efficiency; Supporting P1
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the number of certificates that are issued during inspections in the poultry production facilities and warehouses in Louisiana. It is our goal to ensure proper grade, labeling, and handling of poultry and poultry products.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the number of poultry inspections performed in production facilities and warehouses.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory inspections performed monthly.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all poultry certificates issued quarterly.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	The number of certificates issued could fluctuate due to the amount of USDA school lunch inspections performed, and / or due to the work load in other areas of the program.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; In the past, the Legislative Auditor found simple mathematical errors.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Poultry & Egg Program
Activity:	Poultry & Egg
Objective:	To continue to protect the consumer and ensure that the poultry, egg and the poultry and egg products are wholesome and of the quality represented on the label.
Indicator Name:	Percentage of eggs and egg products inspected and passed
LaPAS PI Code:	22809
Type & Level	Quality; Key P1
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the percentage of pounds of eggs and egg products passed during inspections in egg production facilities in Louisiana. It is our goal to ensure shell eggs and egg products in commerce are fit for human consumption.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the percentage of egg and egg products that are inspected and passed in egg production facilities and points of sale.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory inspections performed monthly.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by dividing the amount of egg and egg products rejected by the amount of egg and egg products accepted.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Eric Lee, Food Quality Services Assistant Director, 225-925-3773, Fax: 225-237-5930; elee@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Poultry & Egg Program
Activity:	Poultry & Egg
Objective:	To continue to protect the consumer and ensure that the poultry, egg and the poultry and egg products are wholesome and of the quality represented on the label.
Indicator Name:	Number of certificates issued - eggs
LaPAS PI Code:	21685
Type & Level	Efficiency; Supporting P1
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the number of certificates that are issued during egg and egg product inspections in Louisiana. It is our goal to ensure shell eggs and egg products are fit for human consumption in commerce.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the number of certificates issued for egg and egg products that are inspected and passed in egg production facilities and point of sale.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory inspections performed monthly.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all egg and egg product certificates issued quarterly.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	The number of certificates issued could fluctuate due to the work load in other areas of the program.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Eric Lee, Food Quality Services Assistant Director, 225-925-3773, Fax: 225-237-5930; elee@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Poultry & Egg Program
Activity:	Poultry & Egg
Objective:	To continue to protect the consumer and ensure that the poultry, egg and the poultry and egg products are wholesome and of the quality represented on the label.
Indicator Name:	Dozen inspected at all points of sale
LaPAS PI Code:	777
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting P1
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it is a measure of the number of eggs, in dozens, inspected in Louisiana at the point of sale. It is our goal to ensure shell eggs and egg products are fit for human consumption in commerce.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the total number of eggs, in dozens, that are inspected at the point of sale.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of regulatory inspections performed monthly.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of eggs in dozens inspected at the point of sale quarterly.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	The number of eggs in dozens inspected could fluctuate depending on the work load of other areas of the program and the different types of point of sales inspected.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
Responsible Person:	Eric Lee, Food Quality Services Assistant Director, 225-925-3773, Fax: 225-237-5930; elee@ldaf.state.la.us

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Veterinary Health Division
Activity:	Livestock Disease Cases
Objective:	Through the Office of Animal Health and Food Safety, to continue the prevention, control, monitoring and eradication of endemic, zoonotic, foreign and emerging animal diseases in livestock, poultry, farm raised cervid (deer, elk, and antelope), aquatics
Indicator Name:	Track the number of livestock disease cases that would restrict movement of animals in commerce including quarantines and restricted movement permits
LaPAS PI Code:	22810
Type & Level	Output and Efficiency; Key PI VHD field personnel investigating and issuing movement restrictions on livestock disease cases reported to our office and stopping the movement of potentially infected animals will be checked.
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	An animal disease outbreak can disrupt or destroy LA's economy as well as threaten public health, so our goal is to prevent, detect and respond to a disease by imposing a premises quarantine or restricting livestock movement to prevent the spread of a disease. USDA guidelines call for foreign animal diseases to be investigated within 24 hours of reporting and for movement to be restricted until the disease is confirmed as positive or negative. State and federal laws require some animal's testing positive to be euthanized or consigned to slaughter and this indicator ensures that potentially diseased animals are handled correctly.
Use:	The indicator helps this office monitor cases that would disrupt commercial movement of animals and to discuss restricted movement with state of destination
Clarity:	The indicator shows that work of field personnel in restricting animal movement and commerce will be monitored by this office.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Quarantine notices are supplied by the state and restricted movement permits by the USDA (VS Form 1-27) and both are issued to field personnel who work at auction markets and who investigate disease reports. Forms are turned in weekly, at the time of an investigation or at the time of the restricted movement and are tracked by office staff and reported quarterly.
Calculation Methodology:	Each form is counted as one submission regardless of the number of animals placed under quarantine or listed on the restricted movement document.
Scope:	Aggregated. The indicator is used to determine if the appropriate actions are being taken for the number of statewide disease cases reported or confirmed to this office.
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	USDA verifies that federal guidelines are being followed through state quarterly reports submitted to them by the state program coordinator. Disease cases and outcomes are uploaded to state and federal databases.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Veterinary Health Division
Activity:	Lab diagnostic testing
Objective:	Through the Office of Animal Health and Food Safety, to continue the prevention, control, monitoring and eradication of endemic, zoonotic, foreign and emerging animal diseases in livestock, poultry, farm raised cervid (deer, elk, and antelope), aquatics
Indicator Name:	Track the Number of livestock and poultry disease diagnostic tests run
LaPAS PI Code:	22811
Type & Level	Quality; Support PI with Program coordinator tracking the output of lab test reports submitted to our office from nation-wide labs.
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Diagnostic testing of LA livestock is done at state, federal, and private labs as well as at slaughter facilities prior to livestock entering the food chain; we monitor this testing in order to ensure the health of the animals in the state and to protect the food supply and public health. Only nationally certified or approved labs are allowed to conduct state testing.
Use:	The indicator helps management determine if sufficient testing is being conducted at livestock congregation points to safeguard the health of other animals and those destined to enter the food chain.
Clarity:	Lab test results are clearly stated or consultation with lab personnel and USDA epidemiologists is available.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Outside lab reports are sent to our office to an office email address (vetreports@ldaf.state.la.us) or fax line (225-237-5555). State labs enter data into a USDA reporting sheet and submit reports quarterly to this office for submission to the USDA.
Calculation Methodology:	Individual animals tested and their animal identification are entered into our databases so each animal is considered one test.
Scope:	Aggregated. The indicator is used to determine if the appropriate disease surveillance is being conducted in the state.
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Testing data is compiled quarterly for USDA federal/state programs and is cross referenced to market reports submitted weekly for electronic data entry. USDA annual reports are compiled from electronic databases and are further used to validate state quarterly reports.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Veterinary Health Division
Activity:	Livestock inspected or investigated for disease surveillance
Objective:	Through the Office of Animal Health and Food Safety, to continue the prevention, control, monitoring and eradication of endemic, zoonotic, foreign and emerging animal diseases in livestock, poultry, farm raised cervid (deer, elk, and antelope), aquatics
Indicator Name:	Track the number of livestock or premises inspected or investigated in our disease surveillance programs.
LaPAS PI Code:	22813
Type & Level	Output; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our goal is to prevent the introduction and spread of animal diseases in the state by encouraging livestock vaccination, by inspecting reportedly health livestock and poultry at concentration points (auction markets, licensed cervid farms, licensed turtle farms, 4-H shows) and by investigating reportable diseases.
Use:	The indicator helps management determine if sufficient inspections of animals is being conducted at livestock congregation points to safeguard the health of other animals and those destined to enter the food chain.
Clarity:	Indicator shows the number of Brand check-ins recorded at markets and can be used for staffing and training needs. Premises inspections verify that (at least) annual farm inspections are being conducted and are used as a cross reference for positive test results being investigated.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Field personnel collect market data electronically and manually and data is then uploaded to Ft. Supply Central Office or manually input into SCS. Inspection reports are filled out manually for submission and filing by the program coordinator.
Calculation Methodology:	Individual animals inspected at markets are counted; cases investigated and premises inspected (not individual numbers) are recorded
Scope:	Aggregated. The indicator is used to determine sales trends at public auction markets and program staffing needs statewide.
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Animal Health Supervisors coordinate data collection accuracy in the field and troubleshoot problems with electronic data gathering; IT support is supplied by Ft. Supply.
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY - Veterinary Health Division
Activity:	Disease program participation and compliance
Objective:	Through the Office of Animal Health and Food Safety, to continue the prevention, control, monitoring and eradication of endemic, zoonotic, foreign and emerging animal diseases in livestock, poultry, farm raised cervid (deer, elk, and antelope), aquatics
Indicator Name:	Track the number of requests for livestock and poultry program participation with health certificates received and issued, licenses renewed, herd certification/accreditation, entry permits issued, harvest tags issued, animal ID tags issued, and Premises ID Numbers issued.
LaPAS PI Code:	22815
Type & Level	Input and Output; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Our goal is to work with stakeholders (private veterinarians, livestock producers, academia, industry) in implementing federal/state programs to prevent disease outbreaks in the state by tracking health certificates, entry permits, farm licenses, biological licenses, and premises identification numbers.
Use:	The indicator helps management determine compliance with our entry, movement, and licensing, and traceability requirements.
Clarity:	Indicator shows the number of movement, animal identification records, and licenses that were issued that would be needed to investigate a disease outbreak.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The office receives information from private veterinarians in-state and out-of-state by USPS, email, and fax and all records are proofed for accuracy; tags and PINs distributed are issued and tracked by office personnel and maintained on electronic databases; quarterly reports documenting our ability to track animals is issued quarterly to the USDA
Calculation Methodology:	Individual health certificates, tags, and licenses are calculated by sorting and counting on databases.
Scope:	Aggregated. The indicator is used to track movement documents nation-wide, tags, and licenses issued within the state.
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Traceability Program Specialist handles animal movement data accuracy and Field Supervisor tracks harvest tag requests and license renewals.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF Animal Health & Food Safety - Federal/State Meat-Poultry
Activity:	Meat & Poultry
Objective:	Program objectives are to ensure consumer receives only safe, wholesome and unadulterated meat and poultry products, and that only accurately labeled meat and poultry products reflecting the actual ingredients are provided to the consumer.
Indicator Name:	Percent of meat and poultry inspected and passed
LaPAS PI Code:	22816
Type & Level	Outcome; Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it measures the outcome of inspection activities in regulated establishments and reflects our goal of inspecting and passing only those meat and poultry products that are safe, wholesome, unadulterated and accurately labeled.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the outcome of inspection activities.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of inspection reports.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by dividing the sum of meat and poultry products condemned by the sum of products inspected and passed.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	In 2012 the Office of the Legislative Auditor found that this indicator was supported by the performance data.
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF Animal Health & Food Safety - Federal/State Meat-Poultry
Activity:	Meat & Poultry
Objective:	Program objectives are to ensure consumer receives only safe, wholesome and unadulterated meat and poultry products, and that only accurately labeled meat and poultry products reflecting the actual ingredients are provided to the consumer.
Indicator Name:	Percent of noncompliant laboratory samples
LaPAS PI Code:	22817
Type & Level	Outcome; Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it could reflect a breakdown in inspection activities or loss of process control by regulated establishments and reflects our goal of inspecting and passing only those meat and poultry products that are safe, wholesome, unadulterated and accurately labeled.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the outcome of inspection activities.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of laboratory samples analyses.
Calculation Methodology:	The percentage is a standard calculation arrived by dividing the number of noncompliant laboratory samples by the total number of samples analyzed.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	In 2012 the Office of the Legislative Auditor found that this indicator was supported by the performance data.
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF Animal Health & Food Safety - Federal/State Meat-Poultry
Activity:	Meat & Poultry
Objective:	Program objectives are to ensure consumer receives only safe, wholesome and unadulterated meat and poultry products, and that only accurately labeled meat and poultry products reflecting the actual ingredients are provided to the consumer.
Indicator Name:	Number of meat & poultry product recalls for state facilities
LaPAS PI Code:	22818
Type & Level	Outcome; Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it could reflect a breakdown in inspection activities or loss of process control by regulated establishments and reflects our goal of inspecting and passing only those meat and poultry products that are safe, wholesome, unadulterated and accurately labeled.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the outcome of inspection activities.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of inspection reports.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all meat and poultry product recalls in state regulated establishments.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	In 2012 the Office of the Legislative Auditor found that this indicator was supported by the performance data.
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF Animal Health & Food Safety - Federal/State Meat-Poultry
Activity:	Meat & Poultry
Objective:	Program objectives are to ensure consumer receives only safe, wholesome and unadulterated meat and poultry products, and that only accurately labeled meat and poultry products reflecting the actual ingredients are provided to the consumer.
Indicator Name:	Number of slaughtered livestock that is inspected
LaPAS PI Code:	22819
Type & Level	Input; Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it measures the outcome of inspection activities in regulated establishments and reflects our goal of inspecting and passing only those meat and poultry products that are safe, wholesome, unadulterated and accurately labeled.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of inspection activities required.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of inspection reports.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all livestock and poultry species harvested in state regulated establishments.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	In 2012 the Office of the Legislative Auditor found that this indicator was supported by the performance data.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF Animal Health & Food Safety - Federal/State Meat-Poultry
Activity:	Meat & Poultry
Objective:	Program objectives are to ensure consumer receives only safe, wholesome and unadulterated meat and poultry products, and that only accurately labeled meat and poultry products reflecting the actual ingredients are provided to the consumer.
Indicator Name:	Pounds of meat & poultry processed that is inspected
LaPAS PI Code:	22820
Type & Level	Input; Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it measures the outcome of inspection activities in regulated establishments and reflects our goal of inspecting and passing only those meat and poultry products that are safe, wholesome, unadulterated and accurately labeled.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of inspection activities required.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of inspection reports.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all meat and poultry processed in state regulated establishments.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	In 2012 the Office of the Legislative Auditor found that this indicator was supported by the performance data.
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF Animal Health & Food Safety - Federal/State Meat-Poultry
Activity:	Meat & Poultry
Objective:	Program objectives are to ensure consumer receives only safe, wholesome and unadulterated meat and poultry products, and that only accurately labeled meat and poultry products reflecting the actual ingredients are provided to the consumer.
Indicator Name:	Pounds of meat and poultry condemned
LaPAS PI Code:	22821
Type & Level	Outcome; Supporting PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it measures the outcome of inspection activities in regulated establishments and reflects our goal of inspecting and passing only those meat and poultry products that are safe, wholesome, unadulterated and accurately labeled.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the amount of inspection activities required.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year quarter from an internal database of inspection reports.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all meat and poultry condemned in state regulated establishments.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	In 2012 the Office of the Legislative Auditor found that this indicator was supported by the performance data.
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF Animal Health & Food Safety - Federal/State Meat-Poultry
Activity:	Meat & Poultry
Objective:	Program objectives are to ensure consumer receives only safe, wholesome and unadulterated meat and poultry products, and that only accurately labeled meat and poultry products reflecting the actual ingredients are provided to the consumer.
Indicator Name:	Number of laboratory samples monitored
LaPAS PI Code:	22822
Type & Level	Input; Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it measures the number of laboratory samples analyzed from regulated establishments and reflects our goal of inspecting and passing only those meat and poultry products that are safe, wholesome, unadulterated and accurately labeled.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the number of laboratory analyses required.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of samples collected and analyzed.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of all laboratory samples analyzed.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	In 2012 the Office of the Legislative Auditor found that this indicator was supported by the performance data.
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF Animal Health & Food Safety - Federal/State Meat-Poultry
Activity:	Meat & Poultry
Objective:	Program objectives are to ensure consumer receives only safe, wholesome and unadulterated meat and poultry products, and that only accurately labeled meat and poultry products reflecting the actual ingredients are provided to the consumer.
Indicator Name:	Number of noncompliant laboratory samples
LaPAS PI Code:	22823
Type & Level	Input; Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because it could reflect a breakdown in inspection activities or loss of process control by regulated establishments and reflects our goal of inspecting and passing only those meat and poultry products that are safe, wholesome, unadulterated and accurately labeled.
Use:	This information will be used for internal management purposes to determine the outcome of inspection activities.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each state fiscal year from an internal database of samples collected and analyzed.
Calculation Methodology:	Sum of noncompliant laboratory samples.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	In 2012 the Office of the Legislative Auditor found that this indicator was supported by the performance data.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH-FOOD DISTRIBUTION
Activity:	Compliance Reviews
Objective:	To maintain administrative costs to no more than 5% of the total value of commodities distributed while allocating USDA foods as efficiently and cost effectively as possible.
Indicator Name:	120 Annual Compliance Reviews
LaPAS PI Code:	23498
Type & Level	Food distribution program managers will perform compliance reviews of recipient agencies (RA). Output, efficiency, and quality will be checked through how well our drivers are delivering food and how the food is being stored and allocated per RA site.
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because there is a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) requirement that a minimum of 20% of Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) recipient agencies must be reviewed annually. Food Distribution conducts 100% of recipient agencies for the TEFAP program and also applies this rule to the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) to ensure program requirements are being met. This indicator is relevant to ensure that food losses are minimized by reviewing recipient agency practices for utilizing USDA food. This helps stabilize costs by identifying areas for improvement to prevent theft, waste, and spoilage. On site reviews are very reliable. The actual inventory inspections show how food is being stored and how much is on hand.
Use:	Indicator used to help management decide if there are enough program managers on staff to conduct audits. Helps management decide if a recipient agency (RA) is receiving too much or too little food at any given time.
Clarity:	Indicator clearly defines that on site compliance reviews of State and Federal policies will be checked annually.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Review instruments are used for site reviews. A site summary report and inspection report are completed for each review. Reviews are conducted on an ongoing monthly basis. Reports are tracked monthly by food distribution office for each program manager. Performance Indicator (PI) is submitted quarterly to Animal Health Division.
Calculation Methodology:	Direct calculation. Each review is considered one monitoring. 120 compliance reviews is the targeted goal per year.
Scope:	The indicator is used to determine if the total number of statewide reviews has been met. Also each program manager is credited for the number of reviews he/she conducts each year as part of their employee evaluation.
Caveats:	Limited by the number of staff available to conduct reviews as well as budget authority funding for travel.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Food Distribution is audited every year by the legislative auditor. Also, the USDA audits the programs at a minimum of once every three years. Legislative Audit did not report any significant findings in FY 2015-2016.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	OFFICE OF ANIMAL HEALTH-FOOD DISTRIBUTION
Activity:	Inventory Management
Objective:	To maintain administrative costs to no more than 5% of the total value of commodities distributed while allocating USDA foods as efficiently and cost effectively as possible.
Indicator Name:	6 month level inventory
LaPAS PI Code:	23499
Type & Level	Outcome with supporting level.
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	This indicator was chosen because there is a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) requirement to maintain an inventory level at no more than a six (6) month supply at any given time.
Use:	Physical inventory is conducted at each warehouse each month. Management uses the outcome to gauge how well the food is being distributed.
Clarity:	Value of food is calculated by assessing the value of each food item in inventory by the quantity on hand. This indicates the value of food received, distributed, and stored.
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Monthly inventory reports submitted to food distribution. Each warehouse is tracked using an Excel spreadsheet. Also, food distribution has a computer software system to track perpetual inventory each month. The perpetual and physical inventories are reconciled monthly.
Calculation Methodology:	Direct valuation. Cost of food item by quantity on hand.
Scope:	Each warehouse is monitored individually. However, the total value of inventory on hand by State is also monitored.
Caveats:	Limited by the number of drivers and warehouse personnel available to help distribute food to the recipient agencies.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Audited by both the USDA and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.
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OFFICE OF FORESTRY

MISSION

The mission of the Office of Forestry is to protect, conserve, and replenish the state's forest resources.

GOAL

The goal of the Louisiana Office of Forestry is to ensure the sustained high level of production of wood fiber while enhancing the recreational, wildlife habitat, watershed protection, and air quality values of forestlands. Protection and management of these valuable forestlands is necessary for future generations.

Trees are Louisiana's number one agricultural crop and forestry is a major contributor to Louisiana's economy. Approximately 45,000 employees work in forestry-related jobs. In 2015, Louisiana landowners received over \$463 million from timber harvested from their lands. Severance tax receipts amounted to over \$14 million. Seventy-five percent of which was returned to the parish from which the timber was severed and the remaining 25% going to State programs.

To carry out this mission, Office of Forestry personnel conduct an intensive fire detection effort for the 18,931,000 acres under protection. The Office of Forestry operates six detection aircraft in the North Louisiana and six aircraft in the southern part of the state.

Forestry Enforcement Officers investigate arson, timber theft and other forestry-related crimes.

The Forest Health Program staff conducts monitoring programs for Southern Pine Beetle infestation and other invasive species such as Emerald Ash Borer, Gypsy Moth and Cogon Grass.

Office of Forestry personnel provides technical assistance for private forestland owners to encourage the use of sound forestry practices.

The Office of Forestry provides conservation education opportunities to further understanding and protection of the state's forest resources.

OBJECTIVE 1

Maintain a 13 acre or less average fire size and minimize structure & property loss relating to wildfire.

STRATEGY 1.1 Update & maintain the communications network that is vital to an efficient response to wildfires.

STRATEGY 1.2 By working with the staff from the State Fire Marshal's office, Emergency Management agencies, and Environmental Protection officials, a procedure for issuing burn bans, whether partial or statewide, will be established and updated to limit the potential hazard to the citizens and the

environment.

STRATEGY 1.3 Analyze and review the latest equipment, technology, and detection/suppression methods to determine the most effective use of the limited resources and manpower of this agency and the State's wildfire community.

STRATEGY 1.4 Reactivate fire training program, including computerized fire simulator.

Performance Indicators:

- Number of wildfires
- Average fire size in acres
- Protected area burned (Land area burned compared to total land acreage protected by the agency)
- Residences protected (those protected from wildfires that were controlled by the agency's actions)
- Structures protected (Non-residential structures protected from wildfires that were controlled by the actions of the agency)

Customers

- Forest landowners in Louisiana
- Citizens with property adjacent to forest land
- Businesses and citizens with economic ties to forest resources

Limiting Factors

- Weather
- Fire occurrence (man-made ignition sources like arson and debris burning)
- Cooperation from others in the fire service
- Forest types, accessibility, terrain, etc.

OBJECTIVE 2

Assist Rural Fire Departments and Cooperators by providing equipment, information, & training that is essential to their ability to protect the public from the threat of both structural and wildland fire.

STRATEGY 2.1: Establish fire protection procedures, both dispatch and suppression, between LDAF and local entities having fire responsibilities such as 911 dispatchers & Rural Fire Departments.

STRATEGY 2.2 Provide direct support in organizing, training, and equipping eligible Rural Fire Departments with cost-share assistance through the Rural Community Fire Protection Program.

STRATEGY 2.3 Administer the Federal Excess Property Program which allows this agency to look for and acquire useable excess property at military bases and government holding areas throughout the South. This acquired property

can be loaned to Fire Departments across the state for use in fire suppression activities.

STRATEGY 2.4 Develop a training program dealing with wildland fire suppression techniques that can be offered to Rural Fire Departments.

Performance Indicators:

- Dollar value of FEPP property acquired
- Number of VFD assisted through RCFP program

Customers

- Rural volunteer fire departments

Limiting Factors

- Availability of federal property through FEPP, competition from other users.
- Availability of federal funding through RCFP program
- Coordination success with other VFD training entities (LSU Firemen Training)

OBJECTIVE 3

Increase private, nonindustrial forest land productivity through the promotion of sound forest management practices by providing technical assistance.

STRATEGY 3.1 Increase acres planted in trees on small forest landowners acres by 10 percent each year.

Increase the number of prescribe burned acres

Provide financial assistance to eligible landowners for establishing and improving tree crops by utilizing the Forestry Productivity and other cost-share programs.

STRATEGY 3.2 Increase the number of forest management plans through actively engaging and educating forest landowners of the benefit.

Through personal, individual contacts, place under improved forest practices, the small timber tracts and farm woodlots in the state.

STRATEGY 3.3 Maintain or increase the percentage of managed forests utilizing Forestry Best Management Practices (BMPs)
Participate in training programs for landowners, managers and timber harvesters in the use of forestry BMPs.
Conduct surveys on implementation and effective monitoring of forestry BMPs.
Assist with updating the BMP manual.

Performance Indicators:

- Number of acres of tree planting, small owners
- Number of acres of prescribed burning, small owners
- Number of management plans written
- Implementation rate of Forestry Best Management Practices

Customers

- Forest landowners throughout Louisiana
- Forestry industry including timber harvesting businesses
- Support industries to forest industry
- All citizens who utilize our forest and forest-related resources

Limiting Factors

- Landowners willing to actively manage forestland
- Funding for cost-share assistance
- Timber prices
- Technology
- Environmental constraints
- Availability of State General Funds in the Office of Forestry budget

OBJECTIVE 4

Provide effective law enforcement to reduce loss of timber resources to landowners of this state.

STRATEGY 4.1 Develop civil rules and/or regulations requiring certain information be collected and maintained by timber receiving facilities to aid in the investigations of timber theft complaints. Keep all complainants informed and updated on the progress of their complaint.

Continue emphasis to District Attorney's, Judges and other enforcement organizations as to the seriousness of timber theft so that they may better understand the problem and better discern the difference between a criminal offense and a civil complaint.

Work with border states to develop and enact similar legislation to better document the movement of timber resources between our states.

STRATEGY 4.2 Increase landowner awareness of the loss of timber resources caused by fire and theft.

STRATEGY 4.3 Expand our media efforts with regard to public awareness.

Increase prevention efforts targeted at specific areas.

Performance Indicators:

- Number of forestry investigations

Customers

- All forest landowners
- Citizens with real estate or other property adjacent to forest lands
- Forest industry and related suppliers and vendors

Limiting Factors

- Personnel
- Documentation requirements on timber movement
- Support from other law enforcement entities
- Public awareness and willingness to act

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Forestry
Activity:	Forestry Protection
Objective:	Maintain a 13 acre or less average fire size and minimize structure & property loss relating to wildfire.
Indicator Name:	Average Fire Size
LaPAS PI Code:	843
Type & Level	Outcome, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Average Fire Size is an indicator for variables such as response time, fire occurrence, and fire cause.
Use:	Data collection aides in program evaluation and program adjustments.
Clarity:	Yes. No
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Weekly fire summary update are collected and reported
Calculation Methodology:	Number of acres burned divided by the number of fires.
Scope:	Fire data calculations are prepared for each parish, district, and state wide
Caveats:	Yes. Below average surface wind speed result in smaller size firers. Dry and windy conditions is Sept., Oct., Feb.,and Mar. result in larger fires.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Each fire is measured after it is extinguished.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Forestry
Activity:	Forestry Protection
Objective:	Assist Rural Fire Departments and Cooperators by providing equipment, information, & training that is essential to their ability to protect the public from the threat of both structural and wildland fire.
Indicator Name:	Number of Volunteer Fire Department assisted through the program
LaPAS PI Code:	This is a new PI for 2016-17
Type & Level	Outcome, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Number of Volunteer Fire Departments assisted is an indicator for need of specialized equipment.
Use:	Data collection aides in determining the need, availability, and assignment of specialized firefighting equipment.
Clarity:	Yes. No
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Quarterly updates are collected.
Calculation Methodology:	Number and type of equipment.
Scope:	Fire data calculations are prepared for each parish, district, and state wide
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Each piece of equipment is tracked to each volunteer fire department. Record kept with the department.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Forestry
Activity:	Forestry Management
Objective:	Increase private, nonindustrial forest land productivity through the promotion of sound forest management practices by providing technical assistance.
Indicator Name:	Number of Management or Stewardship plans written annually
LaPAS PI Code:	853
Type & Level	Outcome, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Number of Management or Stewardship plans written annually is an indicator of need, acreage, and landowner objectives.
Use:	Data collection aides in determining the need, practices, and services required by forest landowners.
Clarity:	Yes. No
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Monthly updates are collected
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count of plans written
Scope:	Fire data calculations are prepared for each parish, district, and state wide
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Very accurate. Each plan is kept with the department.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Forestry
Activity:	Forestry Enforcement
Objective:	Provide effective law enforcement to reduce loss of timber resources to landowners of this state.
Indicator Name:	Number of investigations conducted annually
LaPAS PI Code:	This is a new PI for 2016-17
Type & Level	Outcome, Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	Number of investigations conducted is an indicator of the nature and frequency of forest related crimes.
Use:	Data collection aides in determining the location, type, and intensity of crimes.
Clarity:	Yes. No
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	Monthly updates are collected
Calculation Methodology:	Simple count number are type of investigation conducted.
Scope:	Fire data calculations are prepared for each parish, district, and state wide
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Very accurate. Each investigation is kept with the department.
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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & FINANCE

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE

MISSION

The Office of Management and Finance's mission is to provide timely and cost effective administration of accounting and budget controls, procurement and contract management, data processing, management and program analysis, personnel management, and grants management to ensure compliance with state and federal laws and to ensure that the department's offices have the resources to accomplish their program missions.

GOAL

To comply with all federal and state laws, rules and regulations, and policies and procedures in regard to fiscal management, contracts and grants, purchasing and property control, and information technology. Specifically, this includes compliance with generally accepted accounting principles.

To streamline and coordinate Department functions and services to become an exemplary department in the areas of service delivery, cost efficiency and internal operations.

To increase the public visibility of the department.

OBJECTIVE 1

Enhance the ability of each office within the department to meet its goals through information systems management and use of technology.

Preserve and protect state resources allocated to the department by maintaining effective property control, auditing, and fiscal management practices.

Continually evaluate policy, procedure and programs to ensure maintenance and development of best possible management practices.

Continue to provide a safe and healthful environment for employees through regular inspections, maintenance and up-grading of facilities and equipment.

Respond in a timely and satisfactory manner to all requests from the Commissioner and the various boards and commissions for non-routine services.

STRATEGY 1.1 Monitor budget and advise various offices of budget status.

STRATEGY 1.2 Ensure that 100% of the checks received by Accounts receivable are deposited within the required time frame.

STRATEGY 1.3 Make training continually available to all users to further educate them in the computer systems that they are working in and have available to them.

STRATEGY 1.4 Continue an effective central receiving unit, following policies, procedures and regulations. Implementation of a computer program to track deliveries/receipts.

STRATEGY 1.5 Adequately respond to all requests for non-routine audit and accounting services.

STRATEGY 1.6 Continue to provide an internal audit oversight of programs and the offices within the department.

Accountability (Performance Indicators)

- * Number of repeat audit findings
- * Percent of technical support provided to meet internal customer requirements
- * Percent of helpdesk calls resolved

Customers

- Vendors
- Citizens of Louisiana

Limiting Factors

- Funding

Objective 2

To ensure that accurate and timely information is available to the state's agricultural community by providing timely market reports and opportunities for the sale of agricultural products and services through the Louisiana Market Bulletin in print on a bi-weekly basis and through internet access.

STRATEGY 2.1 To compile market reports on livestock, fruits and vegetable, grain, rice, poultry and eggs, pecans that will aid producers, consumers and distributors in the sale and purchase of the reported commodities.

STRATEGY 2.2 Provide marketing assistance to cattle producers in direct marketing of cattle to feedlots and processing plants.

STRATEGY 2.3 Provide opportunities for the sale of agricultural products and services through a bi-weekly Market Bulletin publication and through internet access.

Accountability (Performance Indicators)

- * Number of copies of the Market Bulletin distributed per year

Customers

- Farmers
- Agribusinesses
- Data Users
- Governmental Entities

Limiting Factors

- Funding
- Personnel

Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & FINANCE
Activity:	Enhance the departments ability to serve the citizens of Louisiana with accurate information
Objective:	To enhance the ability of each office within the department to meet its goals through information systems management and use of technology. To preserve and protect state resources allocated to the department by maintaining effective property control, auditing and fiscal management practices
Indicator Name:	Number of repeat audit finding
LaPAS PI Code:	9736
Type & Level	Outcome; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	To ensure that all programs in Agriculture and Forestry are provided with department-with coordination, personnel and basic resources which are essential to the accomplishments of the Department's mission in a timely, effective, accurate manner and in compliance with the applicable laws and rules and regulations.
Use:	This data provides a measure of accuracy of the management of various programs with the department as it relates to the reporting and accounting.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained from the Legislative Auditor's Office as it relates to the audit of department's programs.
Calculation Methodology:	Calculated by the number of audit findings issued by the Legislative Auditor's Office.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & FINANCE
Activity:	IT Assistance Response
Objective:	To enhance the ability of each office within the department to meet its goals through information systems management and use of technology. To preserve and protect state resources allocated to the department by maintaining effective property control, auditing and fiscal management practices
Indicator Name:	Percent of responses for requests of IT assistance in less than 24 business hours by Helpdesk
LaPAS PI Code:	25399
Type & Level	Outcome; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	To ensure that all programs in Agriculture and Forestry are provided with department-with coordination, personnel and basic resources which are essential to the accomplishments of the Department's mission in a timely, effective, accurate manner and in compliance with the applicable laws and rules and regulations.
Use:	This data provides a measure of the IT departments ability to meet the department's needs as it relates to information technology.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained from software used by the IT department to track open work order tickets from each department.
Calculation Methodology:	Calculated by the number of closed IT requests within a 24 business hour period.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & FINANCE
Activity:	IT Assistance Response
Objective:	To enhance the ability of each office within the department to meet its goals through information systems management and use of technology. To preserve and protect state resources allocated to the department by maintaining effective property control, auditing and fiscal management practices
Indicator Name:	Percent of responses for requests of IT assistance in less than 24 business hours by Network group
LaPAS PI Code:	25400
Type & Level	Outcome; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	To ensure that all programs in Agriculture and Forestry are provided with department-with coordination, personnel and basic resources which are essential to the accomplishments of the Department's mission in a timely, effective, accurate manner and in compliance with the applicable laws and rules and regulations.
Use:	This data provides a measure of the IT departments ability to meet the department's needs as it relates to information technology.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained from software used by the IT department to track open work order tickets from each department.
Calculation Methodology:	Calculated by the number of closed IT requests within a 24 business hour period.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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Performance Indicator Documentation	
Program:	OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & FINANCE
Activity:	Market Bulletin Distribution
Objective:	To enhance that accurate and timely information is available to the state's agricultural community by ensuring 10 agricultural market reporters maintain the accreditation with the USDA. To provide opportunities for the sale of agricultural products and services to subscribers through the internet and in print on a by-weekly basis.
Indicator Name:	Total number of copies of Market Bulletin Distributed
LaPAS PI Code:	6359
Type & Level	Outcome; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability:	To compile market reports on livestock, fruits, vegetables, grain, rice, poultry, eggs that will aid producers, consumers and distributors of commodities. Provide the opportunities for the sale of agriculture products, services and equipment to subscribers.
Use:	This data provides a measure of the outreach to the Farms, Agribusiness, and the general public as it relates to all things of Agriculture and Forestry.
Clarity:	Yes
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is the actual number of Market Bulletin reports that are produced each quarter.
Calculation Methodology:	Number of Market Bulletins produced each quarter
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	No
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OFFICE OF SOIL AND WATER

MISSION

Louisiana agriculture is, and should be perceived as environmentally compatible with the quality of our soil, water, air, plants, and animals and a benign component of our state's bountiful natural resources and alluring landscape. This productive landscape, most of which is privately owned, must continue to be properly managed to maintain the subtle balance and compatibility between agriculture and the environment. By developing and implementing economically feasible, voluntary natural resource management programs, traditional land uses and agricultural activities will continue in an environmentally sound manner.

GOAL

To achieve a productive balance between Louisiana agriculture processes and a healthy environment, wherein soil loss is reduced to within tolerable limits, water quality impairments due to agriculture processes are significantly reduced, and the quality of the state's wildlife habitat, wetlands, and other natural areas are enhanced.

OBJECTIVE 1 - SOIL EROSION CONTROL

Apply soil erosion reduction practices on 450,000 acres of cropland, grazing land, rangeland and forestland, preventing the loss of 675,000 tons of topsoil for a cumulative total of 3,375,000 tons of topsoil saved from the 2017 level to 2022.

STRATEGY 1.1 Reduce cropland erosion on 250,000 acres.
(Based on 2011-16 average annual total of cropland applied practices conducive to soil health)
-Encourage implementation by land users of conservation tillage practices, crop residue management, cover crops, contour strips and other Conservation Practices on highly erodible cropland through available conservation programs and initiatives. -OSWC and SWCDs will develop Resource Management System Conservation Plans specific to individual land user operations.

STRATEGY 1.2 Reduce grazing land/rangeland erosion on 100,000 acres.
(Based on 2011-16 average annual total of grazing/range land management practices applied)
-Promotion, planning and implementation of grazing systems, stream bank restoration practices, and multiple land use plans on grazing land through the Conservation Stewardship Program and other available programs.
-SWCDs will develop grazing plans that protect integrity of pastureland soils by promoting grazing management and diversity of land uses.
-Maintain native vegetation and hydrology on rangeland through the CSP and other programs. -SWCDs will work to develop Resource Management System (RMS) conservation plans to enhance native range vegetation and restore proper hydrology.

STRATEGY 1.3 Reduce forestland erosion on 100,000 acres.
(Based on 2011-16 average annual total of Forest Stand Improvement for soil health & quality)
-Promote conservation measures such as tree and shrub establishment on marginal cropland and barren land through the Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP), EQIP and CSP programs.
-SWCDs will work with individual landowners to develop forest management plans and to promote forest stewardship on private lands.

STRATEGY 1.4 Ensure the availability of current scientific soils data and information to continue the development and application of effective conservation practices.
-Maintain the Cooperative Soil Survey Agreement with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service.
-OSWC and SWCD will continually review and update program requirements.
-Assist the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service in revising soil classifications and soil use properties.
-SWCD and OSWC will periodically revise soil classifications through detailed field assessments.
-Continue conversion of soils data information to computer digital format.
-Provide land users with current site specific soils information for selected uses.

Accountability (Performance Indicators)

- Annual reduction in soil erosion (tons)
- Number of acres treated to reduce erosion
- No. Of Landowners Provided Technical Assistance

CUSTOMERS

-Land users/Cooperators
-Legislature
-Conservation Districts

LIMITING FACTORS

-Funding
-Soil Types/Topography
-Land use Practices
-Seasonal Environmental Conditions

OBJECTIVE 2 - REDUCTION OF AG WASTE

Reduce the disposal of agriculture solid waste from agricultural processing operations by increasing its beneficial use as organic fertilizer, mulch, and other useful products to 59% from the 2017 level to 2022.

STRATEGY 2.1 Increase beneficial use of agricultural organic waste from processing operations by 5%
(Based on No. of additional BMPs and conservation plans implemented in relation to total number of producers/processors, approx. 2,400)

- Implement agriculture solid waste and nutrient management plans for agriculture processors such as sugar and rice mills, cotton gins, and seafood processors.
- OSWC will determine need and design of waste management plan upon inspection and monitoring of processing facility.
- Assist processors to develop waste management plans that meet all state and federal environmental laws and regulations.

STRATEGY 2.2

Manage and reduce disposal of waste from 100 animal waste facilities (Based on USDA-PRS and OSWC animal waste management figures)

- Design, implement, and/or rehabilitate animal waste management systems on livestock operations such as dairy farms, cattle and swine feedlots, and poultry operations through available State and federal conservation programs.
- OSWC will work with partnering agencies to determine need and design of waste management system.
- Design and implement agriculture nutrient management systems which promote utilization of agricultural waste, soil testing for fertilizer application, streamside management zones and buffers, legume cover crops, and green manure crops.
- OSWC and SWCD will determine nutrient application rates for site specific animal waste applications and land cover based on soils analysis.

STRATEGY 2.3

Design and implement composting and other beneficial use BMP plans for agricultural and other organic wastes for 60% of agriculture processors. (Based on current number of producers/processors and potential for facility construction/rehab.)

- OSWC and SWCDs evaluate agriculture operations as needed for development of BMP plan.
- Assist processor in seeking viable waste use options.

Accountability (Performance Indicators):

- * Percent of agricultural waste utilized for beneficial use
- * Number of waste management plans developed
- * Number of Site Specific Waste Management Plans Implemented.

CUSTOMERS

- Local citizens/Community
- Private landowners
- Ag Processors
- Legislature
- Conservation Districts

LIMITING FACTORS

- Funding
- Product demand
- Soil Type/Topography
- Land use practices
- Seasonal Environmental Conditions

OBJECTIVE 3 - PROTECTION OF WETLANDS AND WILDLIFE HABITAT

Re-vegetate an additional 150 miles of coastal and interior shoreline for a cumulative total of 795

miles by 2016 and protect, enhance and restore 1,200,000 acres of inland and coastal wetlands, wildlife habitat.

STRATEGY 3.1 Enhance upland wildlife habitat on 100,000 acres
(Based on average annual total of wildlife habitat managed as shown in PRS)

- Assist landowners to develop conservation plans on agricultural lands to include shelterbelts, field borders, riparian corridors and other wildlife management practices through the Conservation Stewardship Program and other available conservation programs.
- SWCD will assist to evaluate and rank area for habitat suitability and type and establish project priorities for enrolment in appropriate programs.

STRATEGY 3.2 Restore or enhance 100,000 acres of interior wetlands and bottomland hardwoods on marginal cropland.

- WRP, EQIP and others protecting/enhancing these areas as shown in PRS
- Encourage the reestablishment of bottomland hardwoods and/or traditional hydrologic regimes on marginal cropland through the Wetlands Reserve Easement Program, the Ducks Unlimited-Louisiana Waterfowl Project and other programs.
- SWCD will assist in determination of site suitability for wetland and wildlife habitat value and enrollment in appropriate programs.

STRATEGY 3.3 Re-vegetate 150 miles of coastal and interior shorelines and develop, revise, and implement plans to enhance 950,000 acres of coastal and interior marshlands.
(2400 acres protected/mile planted thru CPRA, NRCS-CWPPRA project list, marsh plans)

- Continue implementation of the Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) -LDAF/OSWC Coastal Marsh Re-vegetation Program.
- OSWC, SWCD evaluate sites for various environmental factors affecting success of re-vegetation projects.
- OSWC will continue to actively participate on the Louisiana Coastal Wetlands Task Force.
- Plan and implement marsh re-vegetation and restoration projects for Coastal Zone Parishes
- OSWC will establish project priorities for the Coastal Re-vegetation Program.
- OSWC will work with state and federal agencies in developing and implementing Coastal Wetland Planning, Protection, and Restoration Act Projects.
- OSWC will work with other state agencies in implementation of the Louisiana Coastal Conservation and Restoration Program.

Accountability (Performance Indicators)

- *Acres of agricultural wetlands restored during year
- *Acres of wetland habitat managed during year
- *Miles of shoreline treated for erosion control

CUSTOMERS

- Landowners
- Recreational & Commercial Fishermen
- Parish Governments
- Interagency Personnel
- Conservation Districts
- Legislature

LIMITING FACTORS

- Climate/Storm events
- Funding
- Landowner management objectives
- Soil Type/Texture
- Herbivore damage
- Landowner participation
- Economic feasibility of erosion control practices

OBJECTIVE 4 - WATER QUALITY

Reduce water quality impairments caused by agriculture production and processes establishment of vegetative Buffers riparian acres and nutrient management.

STRATEGY 4.1 Establish a total of 400,000 feet of vegetative buffer (filter strips) between agricultural lands and waterways.

Based on 5-year PRS average filter strip installations as of 2015

- Establish conservation practices such as riparian buffers, filter strips, grassed waterways, and wellhead protection areas through the CRP, EQIP and CSP.
- SWCDs will evaluate impairments to water bodies resulting from agricultural processes and establish watershed management approaches to address identified causes.

STRATEGY 4.2 Restore 2,080 miles of riparian habitat
Based on 5-year PRS average of Riparian Forest Buffers or inferred from WRP data (30%) and/or from wetland enhancement, restoration practices and wetland wildlife habitat management, as of 2015

- Implement conservation and restoration practices to protect stream banks at cattle crossings and watering areas.
- SWCD will design and implement appropriate conservation management systems.

STRATEGY 4.4 Reduce or eliminate discharge and runoff from 100 animal waste facilities. (Similar effort as in STRATEGY 2.2)-Design, implement and rehabilitate animal waste management systems on livestock operations such as dairy farms, beef cattle and swine feedlots, and poultry operations through the CSP, EQIP and other state and federal environmental programs.

- OSWC will work with partnering agencies to determine need and design of animal waste management systems.
- Design and implement agriculture nutrient management systems which promote utilization of agricultural waste, soil testing for fertilizer application, streamside management zones and buffers, legume cover Crops, and green manure crops.
- Determine the rate of site specific nutrient application for solid wastes, soils and land cover.

Accountability (Performance Indicators)

- * Miles of vegetated buffer established.
- * Acres of riparian habitat restored.
- * Number of animal waste management systems implemented
- * Acres of nutrient management systems implemented

CUSTOMERS

- Local citizens
- Land users
- Interagency Personnel
- Conservation Districts
- Legislature
- Formal and non-formal educators

LIMITING FACTORS

- Funding
- Climate
- Hydrology
- Teacher Participation
- Land user Participation

OBJECTIVE 5 - CONSERVATION INFORMATION EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

Soil and water conservation training events will be conducted for 1,500 educators; school and community water festivals and Soil & Water Stewardship events will be conducted for 45,000 grade school students; 125 agricultural producers will be certified as Louisiana Master Farmers; Agricultural Prescribed Burning certifications will be issued/reissued for 1250 producers and 220 Locally-Led Conservation planning meetings will be conducted from 2017 to 2022.

Soil and water conservation education events will be conducted in schools and communities throughout the state, with special emphasis placed on those areas in which nonpoint source pollution, aquifer overdraft and other soil and water concerns are deemed most critical. Soil and water conservation materials will be disseminated through school and community venues.

STRATEGY 5.1

50 Project WET (Water Education for Teachers), Wonders of Wetlands, or Healthy Water, Healthy People workshops for educators will be planned and implemented.

- OSWC and SWCDs will work with school administrators, Parish science supervisors, university education methods professors and others to plan educator workshops
- OSWC will work with other resource conservation agencies and organizations to maximize content and outreach potential.
- Correlate workshop activities to Grade Level Expectations as funding permits to maximize educator/student classroom relevance.

- Give priority to workshops planned in areas subject to NPS impairments, aquifer overdraft, etc.

STRATEGY 5.2 5 Water festivals and 150 Soil & Water Stewardship events will be conducted for schools and communities.

- Design a series of interactive activity stations for each water festival that illustrate local conservation concerns, needs and solutions.
- OSWC will work with SWCDs to encourage local participation in the annually revised Soil Stewardship Program and to tailor the information to local natural resource concerns.

STRATEGY 5.3 Master Farmer training sessions will be conducted as necessary to accommodate enrollment of agricultural producers into the LA Master Farmer Program.

- The OSWC and the local SWCDs will coordinate with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service and the LSU Agricultural Center to maximize participation in the Master Farmer training sessions.
- The SWCDs will work with the USDA-NRCS and LSU to establish model farms as proving grounds and Master Farmer training sites.
- The SWCDs will review and approve Resource Management System conservation plans as required for producer certification as LA Master Farmers.
- The OSWC will document completion of all Master Farmer certification requirements.

STRATEGY 5.4 Agricultural Prescribed Burning Certification training sessions will be conducted twice annually or as necessary to ensure maximum enrollment and participation by producers.

- The OSWC will work with the LSU Agricultural Center to plan and implement burning certification trainings as necessary.

STRATEGY 5.5 Each Soil & Water Conservation District will host at least one Locally-Led Conservation Planning meeting annually to determine local conservation needs and priorities.

- The SWCDs will coordinate with the USDA-NRCS to advertise and to set up meeting times and places for maximum stakeholder and public attendance.
- The SWCDs will utilize information gathered and priorities established to guide their local efforts in conservation program delivery.

Accountability (Performance Indicators)

- * Number of educators trained in water and wetlands conservation
- *Number of students reached through conservation festivals and soil stewardship events.
- *Number of LA Master Farmers certified.

* Number of producers certified/recertified for agricultural prescribed burning.

* Number of Locally-Led conservation planning meetings conducted.

CUSTOMERS

- Local citizens
- Land users
- Interagency Personnel
- Conservation Districts
- Legislature
- Formal and non-formal educators

LIMITING FACTORS

- Funding
- Teacher Participation
- Public Participation
- Land User/Producer participation

Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Soil & Water Conservation
Activity:	USDA-State Cooperative Soil Survey Program; Federal Conservation Programs
Objective:	Apply soil erosion reduction practices on 450,000 acres of cropland, grazing land, rangeland and forestland, preventing the loss of 675,000 tons of topsoil for a cumulative total of 3,375,000 tons of topsoil saved from the 2017 level to 2022.
Indicator Name:	Annual reduction in soil erosion
LaPAS PI Code:	855
Type & Level	Outcome , Key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	Indicator is used as a principal measure of conservation planning success and effectiveness, primarily on working agricultural land. Reduced erosion correlates directly with improved soil sustainability, reduced surface water turbidity and sedimentation, improved aquatic and terrestrial habitat and other benefits.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from a USDA-based Performance Results System database of USDA/OSWC/SWCD accomplishments
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the total acres of agricultural land having conservation practices planned and/or applied, multiplied by 7.5 (On average, conventional conservation practices protect 7.5 tons of topsoil are protected from erosion per acre.)
Scope:	Aggregated, the sum of multiple conservation practices
Caveats:	Land owner participation is closely linked to commodity prices, current environmental conditions and conservation program opportunities. This sometimes leads to variance from quarterly projections, but annual goals are typically met.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

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Indicator Name:	Number of landowners provided technical assistance
LaPAS PI Code:	857
Type & Level	Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator is used to highlight the number of individuals who are actively participating in or are newly enrolled in conservation programs and implementing conservation plans with PSWC or SWCD assistance
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from a USDA-based Performance Results System database of USDA/OSWC/SWCD accomplishments
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the sum of SWCD cooperators who have received conservation technical assistance from the local SWCD or the OSWC for the purpose of soil erosion control or soil health.
Scope:	Aggregated, the sum of multiple conservation practices
Caveats:	Land owner participation is closely linked to commodity prices, current environmental conditions and conservation program opportunities. This sometimes leads to variance from quarterly projections, but annual goals are typically met.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

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Activity:	USDA-State Cooperative Soil Survey Program; Federal Conservation Programs
Objective:	Apply soil erosion reduction practices on 450,000 acres of cropland, grazing land, rangeland and forestland, preventing the loss of 675,000 tons of topsoil for a cumulative total of 3,375,000 tons of topsoil saved from the 2017 level to 2022.
Indicator Name:	Number of acres treated to reduce erosion
LaPAS PI Code:	859
Type & Level	Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator is used to highlight the total number of acres to which conservation practices have been planned.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from a USDA-based Performance Results System database of USDA/OSWC/SWCD accomplishments
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the sum of all working agricultural & forest land acreage enrolled in conservation programs, and to which soil erosion control and/or soil health practices are planned and applied.
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	Land owner participation is closely linked to commodity prices, current environmental conditions and conservation program opportunities. This sometimes leads to variance from quarterly projections, but annual goals are typically met.
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Soil & Water Conservation
Activity:	Agricultural Solid Waste Management Program
Objective:	To increase the beneficial use of agricultural waste to 54% by the year 2022.
Indicator Name:	Percent of agricultural waste utilized for beneficial use.
LaPAS PI Code:	861
Type & Level	Outcome, key
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator illustrates the cumulative proportion of agricultural waste used as compost, mulch, barrow fill fertilizer and soil stabilizer and other beneficial biomass forms.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from LDAF/Office of Soil & Water Conservation records of Ag Solid waste best management practice plan.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the cumulative percentage of agricultural solid waste producers that are utilizing a LDAF approved Best Management Practice plan to beneficially utilize al waste generated by their operation or facility
Scope:	Aggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Soil & Water Conservation
Activity:	Agricultural Solid Waste Management Program
Objective:	To increase the beneficial use of agricultural waste to 54% by the year 2022.
Indicator Name:	Number of waste management plans developed
LaPAS PI Code:	862
Type & Level	Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator illustrates the cumulative number of statewide solid waste best management practice plans that are developed.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from LDAF/Office of Soil & Water Conservation records of Ag Solid waste best management practice plan.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the cumulative sum of agricultural solid waste producers that have develop or revises a solid waste management plan via the LDAF/Office of Soil & Water Conservation.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Soil & Water Conservation
Activity:	Agricultural Solid Waste Management Program
Objective:	To increase the beneficial use of agricultural waste to 54% by the year 2022.
Indicator Name:	Number of site specific plans implemented
LaPAS PI Code:	863
Type & Level	Supporting
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator illustrates the cumulative number of statewide solid waste best management practice plans based on current number of statewide/processors and potential for facility construction or rehabilitation.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from LDAF/Office of Soil & Water Conservation records of Ag Solid waste best management practice plan, and from a USDA-based Performance Results System database of USDA/OSWC/SWCD accomplishments.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the cumulative sum of agricultural solid waste producers that have initiated development of a new, or revision of an existing solid waste management plan via the LDAF/Office of Soil & Water Conservation.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Soil & Water Conservation
Activity:	Coastal vegetative Planting Program; Federal Conservation Program
Objective:	To annually restore 25,000 acres of wetlands and assist in the protection of 30 additional miles of shoreline and 95,000 acres of wetland habitat each year.
Indicator Name:	Acres of agricultural wetlands restored during the year
LaPAS PI Code:	6383
Type & Level	Outcome, Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator illustrates the cumulative number of statewide agricultural wetland acres restored to historically favorable vegetation and hydrology, aiding attainment of our goal to reduce ag related water quality impairment and enhance the quality of state's wildlife habitat, wetlands and natural areas.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from a USDA-based Performance Results System database of USDA/OSWC/SWCD accomplishments.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the cumulative sum of all marginal agricultural lands enrolled into log-term or permanent easement programs through which native bottomland hardwood vegetation is established.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Objective:	To annually restore 25,000 acres of wetlands and assist in the protection of 30 additional miles of shoreline and 95,000 acres of wetland habitat each year.
Indicator Name:	Acres of agricultural wetlands habitat managed during the year
LaPAS PI Code:	6384
Type & Level	Outcome, Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator illustrates the cumulative number of statewide agricultural wetland acres restored to historically favorable vegetation and hydrology, aiding attainment of our goal to reduce ag related water quality impairment and enhance the quality of state's wildlife habitat, wetlands and natural areas.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from a USDA-based Performance Results System database of USDA/OSWC/SWCD accomplishments.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the cumulative sum of all wetland habitat acres managed through federal, state or local conservation programs implemented or assisted by the OSWC and the Soil & Water Conservation Districts for the maximum benefit of resident and migratory waterfowl, shorebirds and other wildlife.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

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Activity:	Coastal vegetative Planting Program; Federal Conservation Program
Objective:	To annually restore 25,000 acres of wetlands and assist in the protection of 30 additional miles of shoreline and 95,000 acres of wetland habitat each year.
Indicator Name:	Miles of shoreline treated for erosion control
LaPAS PI Code:	866
Type & Level	Outcome, Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator illustrates the cumulative linear miles of cost-wide vegetative plantings installed along coastal and inland shorelines, addressing our goal to reduce ag related water quality impairments and to enhance the states wetland resources and wildlife habitat and natural areas.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from a USDA-based Performance Results System database of USDA/OSWC/SWCD accomplishments.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the cumulative linear sum of all shoreline vegetation enhancement projects installed across the state through various State and Federal conservation programs.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Soil & Water Conservation
Activity:	Coastal vegetative Planting Program; Federal Conservation Program
Objective:	Re-vegetate an additional 150 miles of coastal and interior shoreline for a cumulative total of 945 miles by 2012 and protect, enhance and restore 1,200,000 acres of inland and coastal wetlands, and wildlife habitat.
Indicator Name:	Miles of vegetative buffer established
LaPAS PI Code:	6385
Type & Level	Outcome, Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator illustrates the cumulative linear miles of cost-wide vegetative plantings installed along coastal and inland shorelines, addressing our goal to reduce ag related water quality impairments and to enhance the states wetland resources and wildlife habitat and natural areas.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from LDAF/Office of Soil & Water records of coastal vegetative planting program accomplishments.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the direct quarterly sum of pre-proposed and CPRA approved coastal vegetative planting projects installed coast-wide each year.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Soil & Water Conservation
Activity:	Coastal vegetative Planting Program; Federal Conservation Program
Objective:	Re-vegetate an additional 150 miles of coastal and interior shoreline for a cumulative total of 945 miles by 2012 and protect, enhance and restore 1,200,000 acres of inland and coastal wetlands, and wildlife habitat.
Indicator Name:	Acres of riparian habitat restored
LaPAS PI Code:	6386
Type & Level	Outcome, Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator illustrates the cumulative acres of riparian (stream-side) habitat acres restores in suitable areas across the state, addressing part of our goal to enhance the states wetland resources and wildlife habitat. and to reduce ag related water quality impairments.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from a USDA-based Performance Results System database of USDA/OSWC/SWCD accomplishments.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the direct quarterly sum of all riparian forest buffers planned and applied across the state through approved conservation programs.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Soil & Water Conservation
Activity:	Coastal vegetative Planting Program; Federal Conservation Program
Objective:	Reduce water quality impairments caused by agriculture production and processors through establishment of vegetative buffers and riparian areas, and nutrient management
Indicator Name:	Number of Animal Waste Management Systems Implemented
LaPAS PI Code:	6387
Type & Level	Outcome, Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator illustrates the cumulative number of animal waste management system installed or rehabilitated of poultry, dairy, alligator and other production and processing operations, addressing part of our goal to enhance the states wetland resources and wildlife habitat. and to reduce ag related water quality impairments.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from a USDA-based Performance Results System database of USDA/OSWC/SWCD accomplishments.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the direct quarterly sum of all animal waste management system installations and rehabilitations forest buffers planned and applied across the state through approved conservation programs.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Soil & Water Conservation
Activity:	Coastal vegetative Planting Program; Federal Conservation Program
Objective:	Reduce water quality impairments caused by agriculture production and processors through establishment of vegetative buffers and riparian areas, and nutrient management
Indicator Name:	Acres of Nutrient management
LaPAS PI Code:	6388
Type & Level	Outcome, Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator illustrates the cumulative acres of nutrient management implemented on cropland and grazing land on suitable areas across the state, addressing part of our goal to enhance the states wetland resources and wildlife habitat. and to reduce ag related water quality impairments.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from a USDA-based Performance Results System database of USDA/OSWC/SWCD accomplishments.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the direct quarterly sum of all agricultural acreage to which nutrient management practices have been planned and applied across the state through approved conservation programs.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

Program:	Office of Soil & Water Conservation
Activity:	OSWC Information- Education/Outreach Programs
Objective:	Soil and water conservation training events will be conducted for 1,500 educators, school and community water festivals and soil and water stewardship events will be conducted for 45,000 grade school students; 125 agricultural producers will be certified as Louisiana Master Farmers; Agricultural Prescribed Burning certifications will be issued/reissued for 1,250 producers and 220 locally led conservation planning meeting will be conducted for 2017 to 2022.
Indicator Name:	Number of educators trained in water and wetlands conservation
LaPAS PI Code:	24321
Type & Level	Outcome; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator is used to account for all efforts toward conservation education for formal and non-formal educators of grade school and university level students, addressing part of our goal to enhance the states wetland resources and wildlife habitat.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from OSWC and Soil & Water Conservation District accomplishment accounts.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the direct quarterly sum of all educators having attended a conservation education function whereby standards-based educational aids were made available to participants during the workshop or upon completion.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Indicator Name:	Number of students reached trough conservation festivals and soil stewardship events
LaPAS PI Code:	24322
Type & Level	Outcome; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator is used to account for all efforts toward student-oriented conservation education programs and events that are produced at the school and community level, addressing part of our goal to enhance the states wetland resources and wildlife habitat.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from OSWC and Soil & Water Conservation District accomplishment accounts.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the direct quarterly sum of all students having participated in a conservation education function whereby standards-based educational information or community sanctioned programs were made available to participants.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Indicator Name:	Number of Louisiana Master Farmer Certified
LaPAS PI Code:	24323
Type & Level	Outcome; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator is used to account for all efforts toward coordination with the USDA natural resources conservation service and the LSU Agriculture Center to maximize participation in Master Farmer training sessions.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from OSWC and Soil & Water Conservation District accomplishment accounts.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the direct quarterly sum of all producers having completed each required phase of certification.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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Performance Indicator Documentation

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Activity:	OSWC Information- Education/Outreach Programs
Objective:	Soil and water conservation training events will be conducted for 1,500 educators, school and community water festivals and soil and water stewardship events will be conducted for 45,000 grade school students; 125 agricultural producers will be certified as Louisiana Master Farmers; Agricultural Prescribed Burning certifications will be issued/reissued for 1,250 producers and 220 locally-led conservation planning meeting will be conducted for 2017 to 2022.
Indicator Name:	Number of producers certified/recertified for agricultural prescribed burning
LaPAS PI Code:	24324
Type & Level	Outcome; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator is used to account for all efforts toward coordination with the LSU Agricultural Center for Agricultural Prescribed Burning Certification training sessions to be conducted twice annually or as necessary to ensure maximum opportunity for enrollment and participation by producers.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from OSWC and Soil & Water Conservation District accomplishment accounts.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the direct quarterly sum of all producers having completed each required phase of certification.
Scope:	Disaggregated
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Indicator Name:	Number of locally-led conservation planning meeting conducted.
LaPAS PI Code:	24325
Type & Level	Outcome; Key PI
Rationale, Relevance, Reliability	This indicator is used to account for all efforts toward the SWCDs coordination with the USDA-NRCS to schedule, advertise and conduct locally-led public meetings for maximum stakeholder and public attendance. The SWCDs utilize information gathered and priorities established to guide their local efforts in conservation program delivery.
Use:	This information is used for internal management purposes to determine program delivery and effectiveness, and is used to ensure that legislative obligations are being met.
Clarity:	Positive clarity
Data Source, Collection & Reporting:	The data is obtained at the end of each quarter from OSWC and Soil & Water Conservation District accomplishment accounts.
Calculation Methodology:	This figure is the direct quarterly sum of all Locally-Led meetings conducted by each SWCD in the state.
Scope:	Disaggregated
Caveats:	None
Accuracy, Maintenance, Support:	Yes; Legislative Auditor reports were always favorable and supporting data is regarded as sound.
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