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For more than 50 years, APHIS has been protecting the health and value of America's agricultural and natural resources. It's a vital mission: Healthy and profitable American agriculture provides food and clothing for countless people worldwide and is a key pillar of our economy.

Millions of people benefit from APHIS' programs and services every day. As our name suggests, APHIS' work centers around [animal](#) and [plant health](#), but our

programs also address [animal welfare](#), [biotechnology](#), [wildlife damage management](#), and [global trade](#). Although APHIS may not be a household name, our efforts are seen and felt both far and wide. From ensuring an abundant and affordable food supply, safeguarding air travel against wildlife-related accidents, and sheltering household pets from harm during a disaster to protecting the trees in our forests and communities, APHIS' work touches people's lives in a multitude of ways.

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