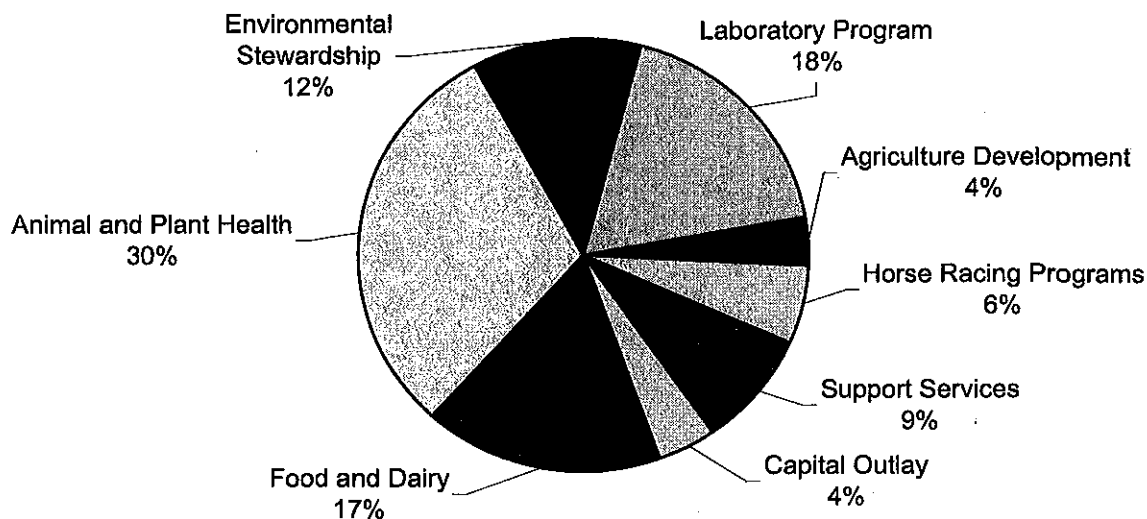


Department of Agriculture

The Department of Agriculture (MDA) provides services to the Michigan food and agriculture community through a variety of food safety, environmental protection, and animal and plant health programs. *The Governor's proposed budget for fiscal year 2011 recommends total funding of \$77.7 million, of which \$28.8 million is general fund.*

Department Programs Protect Public Health and the Environment



Total: \$77.7 million

Highlights of Governor's Budget Recommendation for the Department of Agriculture

- The Executive Recommendation includes \$23.4 million for plant and animal health, welfare, and disease response.
- Food safety and consumer protection programs are funded at \$13.2 million.
- The Executive Budget includes \$9.3 million for environmental stewardship and protection efforts to help farmers and homeowners reduce risks of groundwater contamination from pesticides and fertilizer.
- The horse racing program, which is self supporting, is funded at \$5.1 million. The Office of Racing Commissioner, overseeing the horse racing program, is transferred to the Gaming Control Board.
- Nearly \$3.3 million is earmarked for grants to farmers and other property owners for the purchase of development rights and easements.
- Over \$2.9 million is included to promote Michigan agricultural products.
- Inspection fees are proposed to maintain safety in two areas. A migrant labor housing inspection fee will be utilized to inspect housing for migrant workers who harvest and process Michigan crops. A dairy inspection fee is proposed to ensure health sanitation in milk production and processing.

**Fiscal Year 2011 Governor's Recommendation
Department of Agriculture
(\$ in Thousands)**

	FY10 Current Law	FY11 Recommendation
GF/GP	\$30,050.5	\$28,828.7
All Funds	\$80,369.0	\$77,677.8
	% Change - GF/GP	-4.1%
	% Change - All Funds	-3.3%

Programs	GF/GP	All Funds
Laboratory Program	\$2,561.8	\$13,899.6
Pesticide and Plant Pest Management	\$3,830.2	\$13,757.9
Food and Dairy	\$8,871.7	\$13,159.9
Animal Industry	\$8,053.8	\$9,598.8
Environmental Stewardship	\$718.6	\$9,335.7
Support Services	\$4,487.3	\$6,610.1
Horse Racing Programs	\$0.0	\$5,093.9
Farmland and Open Space Preservation	\$0.0	\$3,300.0
Agriculture Development	\$305.3	\$2,921.9
Total FY 2011 Recommendation	\$28,828.7	\$77,677.8