There are a wide variety of agricultural career options in the West Virginia Department of Agriculture!

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Your Career Opportunities in Agriculture

Kent A. Leonhardt, Commissioner
A career in agriculture today isn’t limited to driving a tractor or feeding cattle. A diverse variety of career choices exists in America’s state-of-the-art agricultural system. Besides direct farm production, there are thousands of jobs in biotechnology, processing, distribution, marketing and regulatory arenas.

Agricultural industries employ 20 percent of America’s workforce, which equals 21 million people. One-sixth of the U.S. gross domestic product and one-eighth of all jobs are connected to agriculture in some way. In West Virginia, nearly 125,000 people work in agriculture.

At the West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) alone there are numerous career opportunities. The Department also employs support staff, including clerical, administrative, information technology and communications professionals.

### Career Opportunities

- Agricultural Health and Safety Coordinator
- Agricultural Statistician
- Agricultural Survey Entomologist
- Agricultural Weed Specialist
- Apiarist (honeybee specialist)
- Aquaculture Regulatory Officer
- Chemist
- Equipment Operator
- Environmental Coordinator
- Environmental Technician
- Farm Manager
- Farm Worker
- Farmers’ Market Manager
- Forest Pathologist
- Laboratory Assistant
- Livestock Specialist
- Livestock Technician
- Marketing Specialist
- Meat Inspection
- Microbiologist
- Nutrient Management Specialist
- Pesticide Field Agent
- Pesticide Regulatory Officer
- Plant Industries Forest Protection Specialist
- Plant/Pest Biologist
- Plant Regulatory Officer
- Poultry and Environmental Specialist
- Registration and Licensing Specialist
- Regulatory Officer
- Seed Analyst
- Statistical Assistant
- Truck Driver
- Veterinarian
- Warehouse Manager