

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE



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The Department of Agriculture was established under Act 13 of 1921 and was reorganized under Act 380 of 1965.

COMMISSION OF AGRICULTURE

Term expires

JAMES BYRUM, Onondaga	Dec. 31, 2010
DON COE, Traverse City	Dec. 31, 2009
ANN M. JOUSMA-MILLER, Gladstone	Dec. 31, 2007
DALE N. NORTON, Bronson	Dec. 31, 2008
TODD REGIS	Dec. 31, 2010

A five-member **Commission of Agriculture**, appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, heads the department. Commission members are appointed for terms of four years. The commission, in turn, appoints a director to serve as chief administrative officer of the department.



The Department of Agriculture promotes agricultural interests of the state and develops safeguards to protect the public from disease and unsanitary conditions in connection with food production and food handling, product labeling, dairy products, animals, and plants. The department's responsibilities in the field of consumer protection include the enforcement of laws relating to food, standard weights and measures, farm produce storage, and dairy products; inspection and enforcement of animal health; control of plant pests and diseases; and inspection of beans and perishable fruits and vegetables.

The department is composed of the Executive Office; seven regional offices located in Escanaba, Lansing, Grand Rapids, Saginaw, Southfield, St. Joseph, and Traverse City; and nine divisions.

The nine divisions of the department are Agriculture Development, Animal Industry, Environmental Stewardship, Finance and Administrative Services, Food and Dairy, Human Resources, Laboratory, Marketing and Communications, and Pesticide and Plant Pest Management.

The **Agriculture Development Division** has responsibility for promoting and providing market opportunities for the Michigan food and agriculture industry, developing economic opportunities in value-added food processing and in international and new market development, for working on agricultural economic issues, for developing the economic viability of sustainable agriculture, and for working with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation to assist agricultural-related businesses to locate or expand within Michigan. The division also provides coordination and services to established commodity groups.

The **Animal Industry Division** is responsible for programs to control and eradicate reportable contagious, infectious, and communicable diseases of livestock, poultry, and equine and companion

animals; controlling contamination from toxic substances; enforcing the humane treatment of animals; and promoting Michigan animal industries.

The **Environmental Stewardship Division** provides assistance and support to soil conservation districts, drainage boards, and land users enabling them to carry out programs which maintain food and fiber productivity, control erosion, protect water quality, protect groundwater, and protect a favorable environment.

The **Fairs, Exhibitions and Racing Division** supports and enhances Michigan's county and local fairs, some of which feature horse racing, through education and incentive programs. The Division manages the Upper Peninsula State Fair in Escanaba; oversees the Michigan State Fair in Detroit; administers grant programs to Michigan's 88 county and local fairs; and provides a variety of grants to the horse racing industry.

The **Finance and Administrative Services Division** performs budgeting, financial management, purchasing, and auditing functions and is responsible for the Upper Peninsula State Fair and the department's expositions and racing program. In addition, the division oversees technology programs for the department.



UPPER PENINSULA STATE FAIR BOARD OF MANAGERS

Term expires

BARRY BAHRMAN, Skandia	Sept. 30, 2011
JERALD R. CAMPBELL, Pickford	Sept. 30, 2008
JAMES GALE, Chassell	Sept. 30, 2010
VICKI MICHEAU, Gladstone	Sept. 30, 2007

The **Upper Peninsula State Fair** was created by Act 89 of 1927 and transferred to the Department of Agriculture by Act 380 of 1965. The purpose of the fair is to provide facilities for the exposition of agricultural, business, industry, and educational attainments of Upper Peninsula counties. Operation of the fair is directed by the fair manager, with the advice and recommendations of the Board of Managers.

The five-member board is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of five years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



The **Food and Dairy Division** administers programs which enforce laws and regulations that govern the safety and wholesomeness of food and food products; regulates the commercial handling of farm produce; administers food sanitation programs; assures a safe, high-quality supply of dairy products.

The **Human Resources Division** provides centralized personnel services to department employees and job candidates, including classification, selection, labor relations, compensation and employee benefits; employee and management counseling, training and coordination; and support for the department's equal employment opportunity program.

The **Laboratory Division** provides analytical, diagnostic, and technical support to the regulatory divisions of the department and to other state and federal agencies. The division also prevents economic fraud and deception in the area of weights and measures, labeling and advertising; and regulates the sale and quality of motor fuel.

The **Office of Communications** is responsible for public relations, and administers the Emergency Management Program. This office also provides services to the Grape and Wine Industry Council.

The **Pesticide and Plant Pest Management Division** administers programs to enforce laws and regulations to prevent the introduction and dissemination of serious plant and bee pests; to prevent the adulteration of animal food, unsanitary grain storage facilities, and misuse of pesticides; and to provide assurance that animal feeds and remedies, fertilizers, seeds, and pesticides are accurately labeled. It also provides for grading, inspection and certification of fruits and vegetables.

MICHIGAN APPLE COMMITTEE

Growers

Term expires

District 1

DONALD BAIERS, Watervliet April 1, 2008

District 2

ROBERT COLGREN, Lawrence April 1, 2008

District 3

ALVIN DIETRICH, Conklin April 1, 2009

District 4

JULIA BAEHRE HERSEY, Casnovia (Chair) April 1, 2010

District 5

SCOTT W. LEWIS, New Era April 1, 2010

District 6

MARK DOHERTY, Traverse City April 1, 2009

District 7

MICHAEL J. BECK, St. Johns April 1, 2008

ex officio

DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Department of Agriculture
DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources,
Michigan State University

The **Michigan Apple Committee** was created pursuant to Act 232 of 1965. The seven-member committee is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



MICHIGAN CHERRY COMMITTEE

Tart Cherry Growers

Term expires

JOHN BULL, Manistee Feb. 1, 2008

KURT DOWD, Hartford Feb. 1, 2008

TODD FOX, Shelby Feb. 1, 2007

JOHN F. KING, Central Lake Feb. 1, 2009

JEFF SEND, Suttons Bay (Chair) Feb. 1, 2009

MICHAEL VAN AGTMAEL, Hart Feb. 1, 2008

MARC WILLMENG, Watervliet Feb. 1, 2010

Sweet Cherry Growers

PAUL HUBBELL, Williamsburg Feb. 1, 2008

DARYL PETERSON, Ludington Feb. 1, 2007

ex officio

DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Department of Agriculture
DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources,
Michigan State University

The **Michigan Cherry Committee** was created pursuant to Act 232 of 1965. The nine-member committee is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



MICHIGAN CRANBERRY MARKETING COMMITTEE

DAVID J. BRINK, Grand Junction
MICHAEL DEGRANDCHAMP, South Haven (Chair)
LOREN HOUSE, Paradise
WALLACE HUGGETT, Marlette
WAYNE KIEL, Holland

ex officio

DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Department of Agriculture
DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and
DR. J. IAN GRAY, Director, Agricultural Experiment Station,
Michigan State University

The **Michigan Cranberry Marketing Committee** was created in 2000 pursuant to Act 232 of 1965. The five-member committee is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



MICHIGAN PLUM ADVISORY BOARD

Plum Producers

Term expires

Northern District

GARY R. FREDERICKSON, Northport July 1, 2009

Southern District

PAUL ROOD, Covert July 1, 2007

Central District

MARTIN JOSEPH DALY, Hart July 1, 2007

At-Large

NELS W. NYBLAD, Casnovia (Chair) July 1, 2009

MICHAEL VAN AGTMAEL, Hart July 1, 2007

ex officio

DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Department of Agriculture
DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources,
Michigan State University

The **Michigan Plum Advisory Board** was created pursuant to Act 232 of 1965. The five-member board is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



MICHIGAN ASPARAGUS ADVISORY BOARD

Asparagus Producers

Term expires

Southern Michigan Area

HAROLD D. GOODELL, Dowagiac Nov. 13, 2005

DINO RIGONI, Decatur Nov. 13, 2006

RODNEY D. WINKEL, Watervliet (Chair) Nov. 13, 2005

Northern Central Area

SARAH GREINER, Hart Nov. 13, 2007

EUGENE M. KOKX II, Hart Nov. 13, 2006

FRED TUBBS, Hart Nov. 13, 2007

MICHIGAN ASPARAGUS ADVISORY BOARD (*Cont.*)

Asparagus Producers (Cont.)

Term expires

At-Large

GERALD LEE MALBURG, Hart	Nov. 13, 2005
KENNETH OOMEN, Hart	Nov. 13, 2005
THOMAS J. OOMEN, Hart	Nov. 13, 2005

ex officio

DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Department of Agriculture
DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources,
Michigan State University

The **Michigan Asparagus Advisory Board** was created pursuant to Act 232 of 1965. The nine-member board is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



MICHIGAN CARROT COMMITTEE

Carrot Producers

Term expires

STEVEN D. BOUWKAMP, Grant	Oct. 31, 2007
RYAN P. MALBURG, Hart	Oct. 31, 2007
GLENN R. VOGEL, Fremont.	Oct. 31, 2007
TODD R. YOUNG, Howard City (Chair)	Oct. 31, 2003
VACANCY	

ex officio

DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Department of Agriculture
DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources,
Michigan State University

The **Michigan Carrot Committee** was created pursuant to Act 232 of 1965. The five-member committee is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



CORN MARKETING PROGRAM OF MICHIGAN

Board of Directors

Term expires

District 1

JAY DROZD, Allegan	March 5, 2009
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District 2

CARL BARTH, Three Rivers	March 5, 2008
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District 3

MARK KIES, Allen	March 5, 2008
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District 4

LYNDON UPHAUS, Manchester (Chair)	March 5, 2009
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District 5

BRUCE NOEL, Leslie	March 5, 2007
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District 6

SCOTT LONIER, Lansing.	March 5, 2007
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District 7

KENNETH WADSWORTH, Sandusky	March 5, 2008
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CORN MARKETING PROGRAM OF MICHIGAN (*Cont.*)

Board of Directors (Cont.)

Term expires

District 8

CLARK F. GERSTACKER, Midland March 5, 2009

District 9

FRANK LIPINSKI, Buckley March 5, 2007

ex officio

DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Department of Agriculture
DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources,
Michigan State University

The **Corn Marketing Program of Michigan** was created pursuant to Act 232 of 1965. The nine-member committee is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years.



MICHIGAN ONION COMMITTEE

Onion Producers/Shippers

Term expires

BRUCE J. KLAMER, Byron Center (Chair) Aug. 16, 2009
GREGG J. KRIKKE, Decatur Aug. 16, 2009
GLEN LEEP, Shelbyville Aug. 16, 2007
MARK NAIL, Marshall Aug. 16, 2007
ERIC J. SCHREUR, Hudsonville Aug. 16, 2007

ex officio

DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Department of Agriculture
DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources,
Michigan State University

The **Michigan Onion Committee** was created pursuant to Act 232 of 1965. The five-member committee is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



MICHIGAN POTATO INDUSTRY COMMISSION

Growers

Term expires

DUANE ANDERSON, Blanchard July 1, 2007
PATRICK J. DORRUSSEL, Manchester July 1, 2007
DENNIS E. HANSON, Cornell July 1, 2007
GREG E. IOTT, Kalkaska (Chair) July 1, 2007
BRIAN SACKETT, Mecosta July 1, 2007
RANDY STYMA, Posen July 1, 2007
TIM YOUNG, Coral July 1, 2007

Retailer

CARL KRUGER, Holland July 1, 2007

Processors

MIKE SCHENA, Detroit July 1, 2007

ex officio

DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Department of Agriculture
DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources,
Michigan State University

The **Michigan Potato Industry Commission** was created by Act 29 of 1970. The 15-member commission is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



MICHIGAN BEAN COMMISSION

	<i>Growers</i>	<i>Term expires</i>
<i>District 1</i>		
JACK C. FRANK, Bay City		Dec. 31, 2007
<i>District 2</i>		
LOWELL F. ANDERSON, St. Louis.		Dec. 31, 2007
<i>District 3</i>		
DENNIS ENGELHARD, Unionville		Dec. 31, 2009
<i>District 4</i>		
CLINTON STOUTENBURG, Sandusky		Dec. 31, 2009
<i>District 5</i>		
CLIFFORD J. ROGGENBUCK, Port Hope.		Dec. 31, 2009
<i>District 6</i>		
NEAL S. GETTEL, Sebawaing (Chair)		Dec. 31, 2007
<i>District 7</i>		
FRAN ARBOGAST CARLSON, Howard City		Dec. 31, 2007
<i>District 8</i>		
MICHAEL SAHR, Saginaw		Dec. 31, 2008
	<i>Shippers</i>	
LARRY SPRAGUE, Saginaw		Dec. 31, 2009
	<i>ex officio</i>	
	DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Department of Agriculture	
	DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources,	
	Michigan State University	

The **Michigan Bean Commission** was created by Act 114 of 1965. The nine-member commission is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



MICHIGAN SOYBEAN PROMOTION COMMITTEE

	<i>Growers</i>	<i>Term expires</i>
<i>District 1</i>		
HERB MILLER, Niles		Sept. 23, 2008
<i>District 2</i>		
ANDY WELDEN, Jonesville		Sept. 23, 2009
<i>District 3</i>		
JASON WOODS, Deerfield		Sept. 23, 2008
<i>District 4</i>		
JAMES B. DOMAGALSKI, Columbus (President)		Sept. 23, 2009
<i>District 5</i>		
MARK L. BIERLEIN, Reese		Sept. 23, 2009
<i>District 6</i>		
GEORGE ZMITKO, OWOSSO		Sept. 23, 2007

MICHIGAN SOYBEAN PROMOTION COMMITTEE (*Cont.*)

Growers (Cont.)

Term expires

District 7

BEN CHAFFIN, Ithaca Sept. 23, 2007

ex officio

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DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources,
Michigan State University

The **Michigan Soybean Committee** was created pursuant to Act 232 of 1965. The seven-member committee is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



MICHIGAN BEEF INDUSTRY COMMISSION

Dairyman Engaged in Production of Fluid Milk

Term expires

DANIEL M. JAVOR, Hastings May 31, 2009

Members Engaged in Feeding of Cattle for Beef Production

CHARLES MARKLEY, Byron (Chair) May 31, 2007

DALE R. OESCHGER, Bay Port May 31, 2009

Members Engaged in Raising, Breeding, Growing Cattle for Beef Production

TIM ANDREWS, Sault Ste. Marie May 31, 2009

SCOTT CARY, Alma May 31, 2008

GARRY WILEY, Gladwin May 31, 2008

Member Engaged in Retail Sale of Beef

ROBERT E. DEYOUNG, Grand Rapids May 31, 2007

Executive of Meat Packing Company Which Purchases Cattle, Processes Beef

JOHN VANDERBOON, Kalamazoo May 31, 2007

Operator of Public Livestock Marketing Firm

RANDY HESELSCHWERDT, Jackson May 31, 2008

ex officio

JEFFREY ANDERSON, Homer
TODD HAYNES, Carson City
ROBERT J. KAMP, West Olive

The **Michigan Beef Industry Commission** was created by Act 291 of 1972. The nine-member commission is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



MICHIGAN DAIRY MARKET PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Michigan Milk Producers Association Term expires

HAROLD CNOSSEN, Falmouth (Chair)	Dec. 31, 2008
ERIC FRAHM, Frankenmuth	Dec. 31, 2007
TIM HOOD, Paw Paw	Dec. 31, 2009
EARL A. HORNING, Manchester	Dec. 31, 2008
DANIEL M. JAVOR, Hastings	Dec. 31, 2009
ELWOOD KIRKPATRICK, Kinde	Dec. 31, 2008
DAVID M. LOTT, Mason	Dec. 31, 2007
KENNETH NOBIS, St. Johns	Dec. 31, 2009
MICHAEL SCHWAB, Standish	Dec. 31, 2007

Dairy Farmers of America

BRYAN HULL, Fenwick	Dec. 31, 2008
DWIGHT H. NASH, Elsie	Dec. 31, 2008
JOHN H. PELL, Fremont	Dec. 31, 2009

Michigan Farm Bureau

GERALD A. NEYER, Shepherd	Dec. 31, 2009
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ex officio

DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Department of Agriculture
DR. JEFF ARMSTRONG, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources,
Michigan State University

The **Michigan Dairy Market Program Committee** was created pursuant to Act 232 of 1965. The 13-member committee is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.



MICHIGAN GRAPE AND WINE INDUSTRY COUNCIL

Wine Makers Term expires

ELIZABETH J. BERGER, Traverse City	Oct. 9, 2007
BOB JACOBSON, Novi	Oct. 9, 2007
DR. DAVID P. MILLER, Paw Paw	Oct. 9, 2007

Winegrape Grower

CHARLES EDSON, Okemos	Oct. 9, 2007
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Distributor

STEVE ARBAUGH, Petoskey	Oct. 9, 2007
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Wine Retailer

AMANDA DANIELSON, Traverse City	Oct. 9, 2007
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DONALD W. KOIVISTO, Director, Michigan Department of Agriculture (Chair)
DR. RON PERRY, Chair, Horticulture Department, Michigan State University
MELINDA REMER, Travel Michigan

ex officio

JULIE WENDT, Liquor Control Commission

The **Michigan Grape and Wine Industry Council** was created by Act 123 of 1985 and amended by Act 63 of 1990. Six of the nine council members are appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve two-year terms. Upon expiration of a term, a member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed. Two of the members serve by virtue of their positions in state government. One member is appointed by the dean of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at Michigan State University and serves at the pleasure of the dean.



The department also includes the Office of Racing Commissioner and the Agricultural Marketing and Bargaining Board.

The ***Office of Racing Commissioner*** was established in the Department of Agriculture by Act 327 of 1980. The commissioner is appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, to serve for a term of four years. The commissioner and his staff, with administrative support from the department, prescribe and enforce rules and regulations governing the conduct and promoting the safety, security, growth, and integrity of all pari-mutuel horse racing in the state. The Office of Racing Commissioner allocates racing dates; issues track, race meeting, and occupational licenses; collects racing license and tax revenues; appoints stewards and veterinarians to represent the state; hears appeals from decisions of stewards; approves track-appointed officials; monitors the daily conduct of racing; and investigates any irregularities in racing which may lead to formal hearings, administrative disciplinary actions, or criminal prosecution.



MICHIGAN FARM PRODUCE INSURANCE PROGRAM

Michigan Farm Bureau

Term expires

CARL BEDNARSKI, Caro (Vice Chair) June 20, 2008
CARMEN COUSINO, Temperance June 20, 2007
DEREK LECRONIER, Freeland June 20, 2009

Michigan Soybean Commission

LYLE LECRONIER, Freeland June 20, 2007

Michigan Bankers Association

MARK STOECKLE, Cass City (Treasurer) June 20, 2007

Corn Marketing Program

WM. LYN UPHAUS, Manchester June 20, 2007

Michigan Bean Commission

GENE VAN DRIESSCHE, Bay City June 20, 2007

Michigan AgriBusiness Association

ARTHUR LOEFFLER, Frankenmuth June 20, 2007

