Agriculture and Markets, Department of

Mission

The Department of Agriculture and Markets' (AGM) mission is to promote New York State agriculture and its high-quality and diverse products, foster agricultural environmental stewardship, and safeguard the state's food supply, land, and livestock to ensure the viability and growth of New York's agriculture industries. AGM also operates The Great New York State Fair near Syracuse.

Organization and Staffing

The Executive Budget recommends a workforce of 557 FTEs for AGM in FY 2025. AGM is run by a commissioner, who is appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate. The agency's headquarters is in Albany, and there are regional offices in Brooklyn, Buffalo, Hauppauge, Poughkeepsie, Rochester, and Syracuse.

Budget Highlights

The FY 2025 Executive Budget recommends approximately \$324.6 million in appropriations for AGM, an increase of about \$16.4 million from the FY 2024 Enacted Budget.

Highlights include:

- \$14 million in capital projects appropriations to support on-going improvements and continued rehabilitations at the State Fairgrounds.
- \$34 million over two years in capital projects appropriations to invest in dairy production.

For more information on this agency's budget recommendations located in the Executive Budget Briefing Book, click on the following link:

Program Highlights

The Agricultural Business Services Program promotes the agricultural economy of the State and fosters the responsible use of resources to preserve agricultural land and the environment. These programs are carried out through six divisions which:

- Support and serve the State's food and agricultural industry in the areas of market development and promotion, food and nutrition, and business development and support including the Taste NY program and the NY Grown & Certified program;
- Inspect and test livestock, poultry, and plants to control and eradicate diseases that can both cause severe economic losses for farmers and present a public health hazard;
- Oversee the activities of county soil and water conservation districts, direct the agricultural non-point source pollution control and farmland preservation grant programs, establish agricultural districts, administer agricultural product market orders and the federal Farmers Market Nutrition Program for low-income families, and collect and disseminate statistical agricultural information; and
- Manage a variety of statutorily required activities involving the pricing and marketing of milk and milk products, and the licensing and bonding of milk and farm products dealers.

The Consumer Food Services Program ensures that wholesome food products are sold to the consumer, and that both the industry and the general public are protected from fraud or malpractice in the production, processing, transportation, and retailing of food and gasoline. In carrying out these purposes, the program:

- Licenses and inspects more than 35,000 businesses that produce, process, manufacture, or distribute food products, registers food represented as kosher, and grades farm products;
- Inspects and tests dairy products to enforce laws pertaining to milk and milk product sanitation, and guards against harmful or misrepresented food; and
- Certifies and calibrates weighing and measuring devices and oversees the testing of motor fuels under the Motor Fuel Quality and Clean Air programs.

<u>Category</u>	Available FY 2024	Appropriations Recommended FY 2025	Change From FY 2024	Reappropriations Recommended FY 2025
State Operations	185,031,597	185,041,000	9,403	346,060,000
Aid To Localities	76,508,000	68,895,000	(7,613,000)	185,266,000
Capital Projects	46,615,000	70,615,000	24,000,000	147,880,000
Total	308,154,597	324,551,000	16,396,403	679,206,000

ALL FUND TYPES PROJECTED LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT BY PROGRAM FILLED ANNUAL SALARIED POSITIONS

Program	FY 2024 Estimated FTEs 03/31/24	FY 2025 Estimated FTEs 03/31/25	FTE Change
Administration	03/31/24	03/31/23	i it change
General Fund	123	123	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	9	9	0
Fiduciary	1	1	0
Capital Projects Funds - Other	6	6	0
Agricultural Business Services	'	'	
General Fund	145	159	14
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	9	9	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	13	13	0
Fiduciary	3	3	0
Consumer Food Services			
General Fund	162	162	0
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	18	18	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	25	25	0
State Fair			
Enterprise Funds	17	17	0
Capital Projects Funds - Other	12	12	0
Total	543	557	14

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STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Fund Type	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
Enterprise Funds	29,322,157	29,323,000	843
Fiduciary	1,870,589	1,867,000	(3,589)
General Fund	56,718,955	56,778,000	59,045
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	70,057,000	70,057,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	27,062,896	27,016,000	(46,896)
Total	185,031,597	185,041,000	9,403
Adjustments:			
Transfer(s) From			
Special Pay Bill			
General Fund	(2,586,597)		
Appropriated FY 2024	182,445,000		

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
Administration			
General Fund	11,967,000	12,453,000	486,000
Agricultural Business Services			
Fiduciary	1,870,589	1,867,000	(3,589)
General Fund	25,200,955	24,023,000	(1,177,955)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	61,504,000	61,504,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	16,303,896	16,138,000	(165,896)
Consumer Food Services			
General Fund	19,551,000	20,302,000	751,000
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	8,553,000	8,553,000	0
Special Revenue Funds - Other	10,759,000	10,878,000	119,000
State Fair			
Enterprise Funds	29,322,157	29,323,000	843
Total	185,031,597	185,041,000	9,403

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Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	10,008,000	486,000	9,900,000	486,000
Agricultural Business Services	20,607,000	(1,177,955)	19,935,000	(1,177,955)
Consumer Food Services	16,182,000	751,000	15,317,000	751,000
Total	46,797,000	59,045	45,152,000	59,045

Temporary Service (Nonannual Salaried)			Holiday/Ov	ertime Pay
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	62,000	0	46,000	0
Agricultural Business Services	610,000	0	62,000	0
Consumer Food Services	302,000	0	563,000	0
Total	974,000	0	671,000	0

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES FY 2025 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

	Total		Supplies and Materials	
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	2,445,000	0	186,000	0
Agricultural Business Services	3,416,000	0	650,000	0
Consumer Food Services	4,120,000	0	539,000	0
Total	9,981,000	0	1,375,000	0

	Travel		Contractual Services	
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	247,000	0	1,974,000	0
Agricultural Business Services	195,000	0	2,552,000	0
Consumer Food Services	240,000	0	3,335,000	0
Total	682,000	0	7,861,000	0

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	Equipment			
Program	Amount	Change		
Administration	38,000	0		
Agricultural Business Services	19,000	0		
Consumer Food Services	6,000	0		
Total	63,000	0		

STATE OPERATIONS - OTHER THAN GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES FY 2025 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

	Total		Personal	Service
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Agricultural Business Services	79,509,000	(169,485)	6,729,000	(57,303)
Consumer Food Services	19,431,000	119,000	8,106,000	119,000
State Fair	29,323,000	843	12,306,000	843
Total	128,263,000	(49,642)	27,141,000	62,540

	Nonpersonal Service			
Program	Amount	Change		
Agricultural Business Services	72,780,000	(112,182)		
Consumer Food Services	11,325,000	0		
State Fair	17,017,000	0		
Total	101,122,000	(112,182)		

AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Fund Type	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
General Fund	56,508,000	48,895,000	(7,613,000)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	20,000,000	20,000,000	0
Total	76,508,000	68,895,000	(7,613,000)

AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change
Agricultural Business Services			
General Fund	56,508,000	48,895,000	(7,613,000)
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	20,000,000	20,000,000	0
Total	76,508,000	68,895,000	(7,613,000)

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CAPITAL PROJECTS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Comprehensive Construction Program	Available FY 2024	Recommended FY 2025	Change	Reappropriations FY 2025
New Facilities				
Capital Projects Fund	10,000,000	0	(10,000,000)	18,750,000
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	18,200,000	52,200,000	34,000,000	53,863,000
New York Works				
Capital Projects Fund	5,600,000	5,600,000	0	16,517,000
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	9,115,000	9,115,000	0	48,085,000
State Fair				
Capital Projects Fund	1,700,000	1,700,000	0	1,244,000
Misc. Capital Projects	2,000,000	2,000,000	0	9,421,000
Total	46,615,000	70,615,000	24,000,000	147,880,000

Note: Most recent estimates as of 01/16/2024