

**National Animal Health Monitoring System Report to the Office of Management and Budget  
On Implementation of  
The Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002  
Calendar Year 2019**

This report is being issued by the National Animal Health Monitoring System (NAHMS) in accordance with Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Implementation Guidance for Title 5 of the E-Government Act, the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (CIPSEA) (72 Federal Register 33362, June 15, 2007). CIPSEA establishes strong confidentiality protections for information acquired by the NAHMS for exclusively statistical purposes. Among other things, CIPSEA strictly limits who may have access to protected data, sets strict fines and penalties for knowing and willful disclosures of confidential information to unauthorized persons, and explicitly exempts protected statistical information from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act.

As directed by OMB, this report covers calendar year 2019 (CY 2019), addressing which NAHMS statistical projects have issued CIPSEA confidentiality pledges in the collection of data from respondents and the conditions under which the NAHMS has designated agents for access to confidential data for statistical activities.

**NAHMS Use of the CIPSEA Confidentiality Pledge**

During CY 2019, NAHMS did not acquire data using a NAHMS CIPSEA pledge of confidentiality.

**CIPSEA Data in NAHMS Lab:**

NAHMS maintains physical paper copies and electronic data collected by NAHMS from the Antimicrobial Use studies (OMB clearance number 0579-0462), which included Beef and Swine data. NAHMS also maintains data collected by NASS under CIPSEA Confidentiality Pledge for the Equine 2015 (OMB clearance number 0579-0269) and Beef 2017 (OMB clearance number 0579-0326) studies.

**NAHMS Use of the Agents Provision in CIPSEA**

Statistical agencies and organizational units are authorized to designate agents under CIPSEA. Please provide the number of individual agents your agency designated during calendar year 2019 in the following categories:

1. Contractors: the total number of contractor employees designated as agents, separately by whether their primary access is for 1) data collection or management; 2) data processing, analysis, or design/planning; or 3) IT support.
  - NAHMS employed three contractors who were designated as agents in 2019.
    - Data Collection and/or Management - 3 agents, cooperators from Colorado State University for Goats 2019.
    - Data processing, analysis or design/planning - 3 agents for Goats 2019.
    - IT Support - none

2. Federal or State Agencies: the number of different agencies and the total number of Federal and State agency employees designated as agents.
  - No state employees were designated during 2019.
  - Federal employees, outside of M&M, that were designated during 2019:
    - CEAH level: 4 agents
    - VS level: 4
    - APHIS level: 1
3. Researchers: the number of individual researchers the agency has designated as agents, separately by whether they accessed the information on-site at the agency headquarters, or off-site at the researcher's institution or an agency controlled external site, such as a research data center or data enclave.
  - NAHMS did not designate any outside researchers as agents in 2019.
4. NAHMS did not make use of the data sharing provisions under subtitle B.