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The National Animal Health Monitoring System (NAHMS) unit conducts national studies on the health and health management of U.S. domestic livestock, equine, aquaculture, and poultry populations. These studies are designed to meet the information needs of the industries associated with these commodities, as identified by people within those industries.

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Feedlot 2021 Report 2: Health and Management Practices on U.S. Feedlots, 2021 (Descriptive Report)
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Goat and Kid Predator and Nonpredator Death Loss in the United States, 2021

Poultry 2025 Small Enterprise Study

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To further protect respondents' information, NAHMS applied for, and in March 2012 received, recognition as a statistical unit under the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act (CIPSEA). Enacted in 2002, CIPSEA provides a way for Federal agencies to collect statistical information and protect its confidentiality using the force of law.

The specific data protections given to a NAHMS study participant's data is described in detail in informed consent forms administered during the study. Additional information regarding NAHMS' CIPSEA status as well as annual CIPSEA reports are available below.

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