



# About the Risk Management Agency

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The role of USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) is to help producers manage their business risks through effective, market-based risk management solutions. RMA's mission is to promote, support, and regulate sound risk management solutions to preserve and strengthen the economic stability of America's agricultural producers. As part of this mission, RMA operates and manages the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC). RMA was created in 1996; the FCIC was founded in 1938.

RMA employs approximately 530 people in offices around the country. RMA's administrative budget is \$77 million (fiscal year (FY) 2006).

Meanwhile, the size of the program has grown tremendously (see chart, p. 2). In FY 2005, RMA is estimated to have managed over \$44.29 billion worth of insurance liabilities (see table).

RMA Administrator Eldon Gould was appointed in November 2005. He also serves as the manager of the FCIC. Located within the Office of the Administrator is the Director of External Affairs, the Director of Civil Rights and Outreach, the Director of Program Support and Chief Information Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Secretary to the FCIC Board of Directors.

The Agency currently has three divisions: Insurance Services, Research and Development (R&D), and Risk Compliance. Insurance Services is responsible for program delivery (for example, managing contracts with the companies that sell and

service policies), and local program administration and support. R&D is responsible for overseeing product development. Risk Compliance monitors compliance with program provisions by both producers and the insurance companies that sell and service policies.

RMA, via the FCIC, provides crop insurance to American producers. Sixteen private-sector insurance companies sell and service the policies. RMA develops and/or approves the premium rate, administers premium and expense subsidy, approves and supports products, and reinsures the 16 companies. In addition, RMA sponsors

educational and outreach programs and seminars on the general topic of risk management.

Additional information about RMA can be found on its Web site, including agency news, State profiles, and other publications, summaries of insurance sales, information on pilot

programs, downloadable crop policies, and agency-sponsored events. The site also features online tools and applications. The most popular applications are the Agent Locator, Premium Calculator, and Summary of Business.

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### FY 2005 Program Size

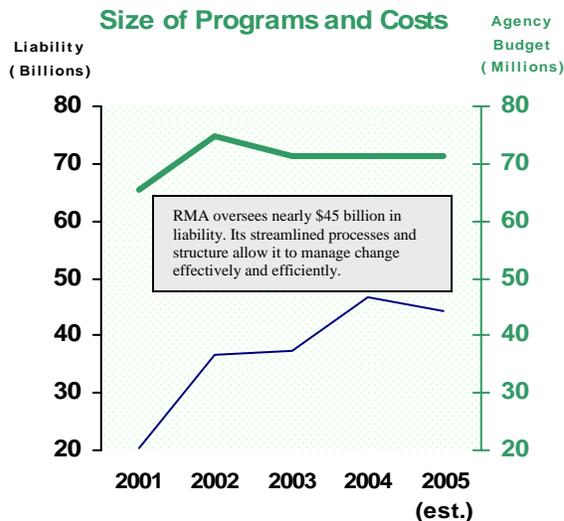
Number of Policies .....	1.19 million
Premium Volume .....	\$3.95 billion
Crop Value Insured .....	\$44.29 billion*
Acres Insured .....	246 million

Data accurate as of January 16, 2006  
\*Estimate

## RMA Insures Crops Such As:

Apples	Millet
Avocados (APH, Revenue)	Mint
Barley (APH, IP)	Nursery
Citrus	Potatoes
Clams	Rangeland (GRP)
Corn (APH, CRC, GRIP, GRP, IIP, IP, RA)	Rice (APH, CRC, RA)
Cotton (APH, CRC, GRIP, GRP, IP, RA)	Rye
Flax	Safflower
Florida Fruit Trees	Soybeans (APH, CRC, GRIP, GRP, Indexed IP, IP, RA)
Forage Production (APH, GRP)	Sugar Beets
Grain Sorghum (APH, CRC, GRIP, GRP, IP)	Sugarcane
Green Peas	Sunflowers (APH, RA)
Livestock	Tobacco
Macadamia Nuts	Wheat (APH, CRC, GRIP, GRP, IP, RA)
Macadamia Trees	

This is a partial listing of crops eligible for coverage. For a more complete listing, please visit our Web site at: <http://www.rma.usda.gov/policies/06croplist.html>. To find out if your crop is insured in your county, please contact your insurance agent. To find an agent, please visit our online agent locator at: <http://www3.rma.usda.gov/tools/agents/companies/>



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