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Plant Protection and Quarantine

Safeguarding Agriculture, Facilitating Safe Trade

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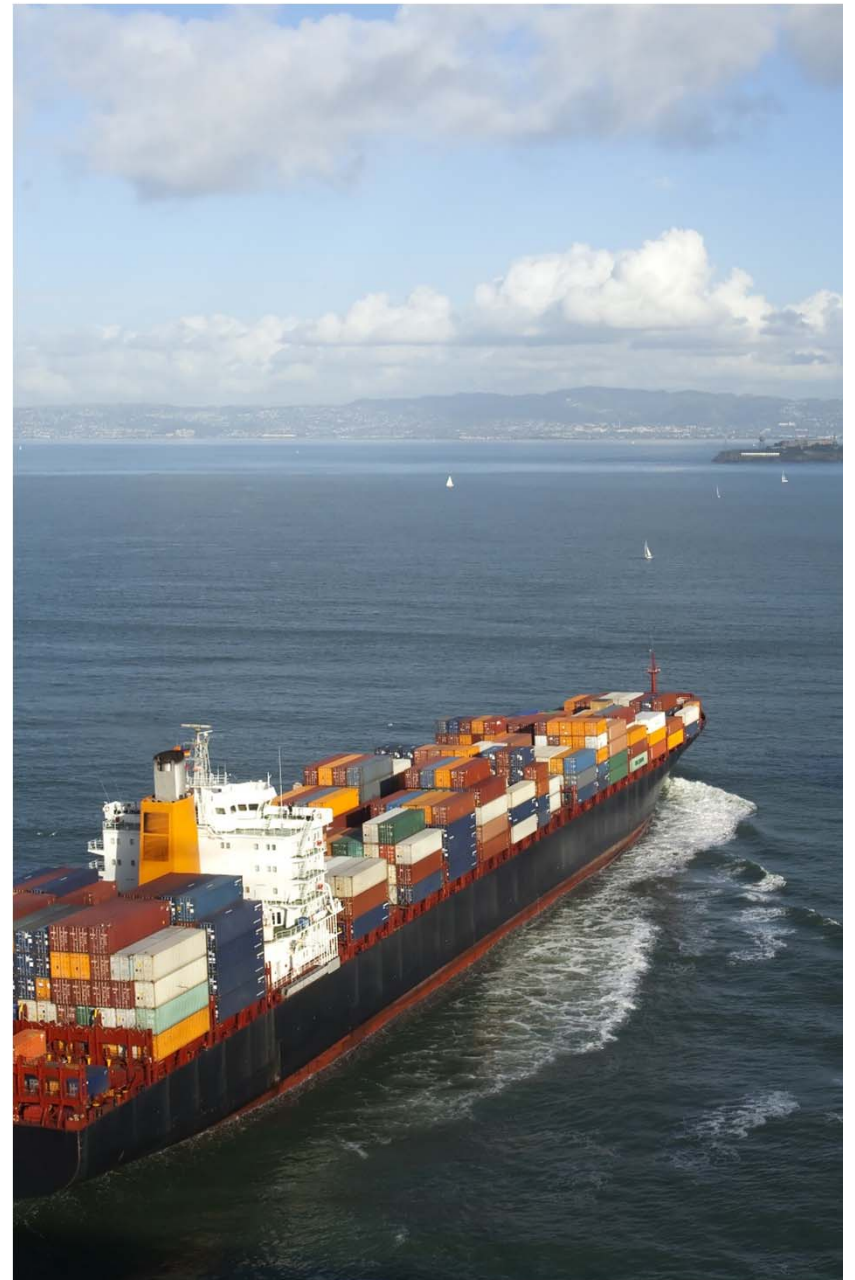


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A Coordinated and Strategic Approach

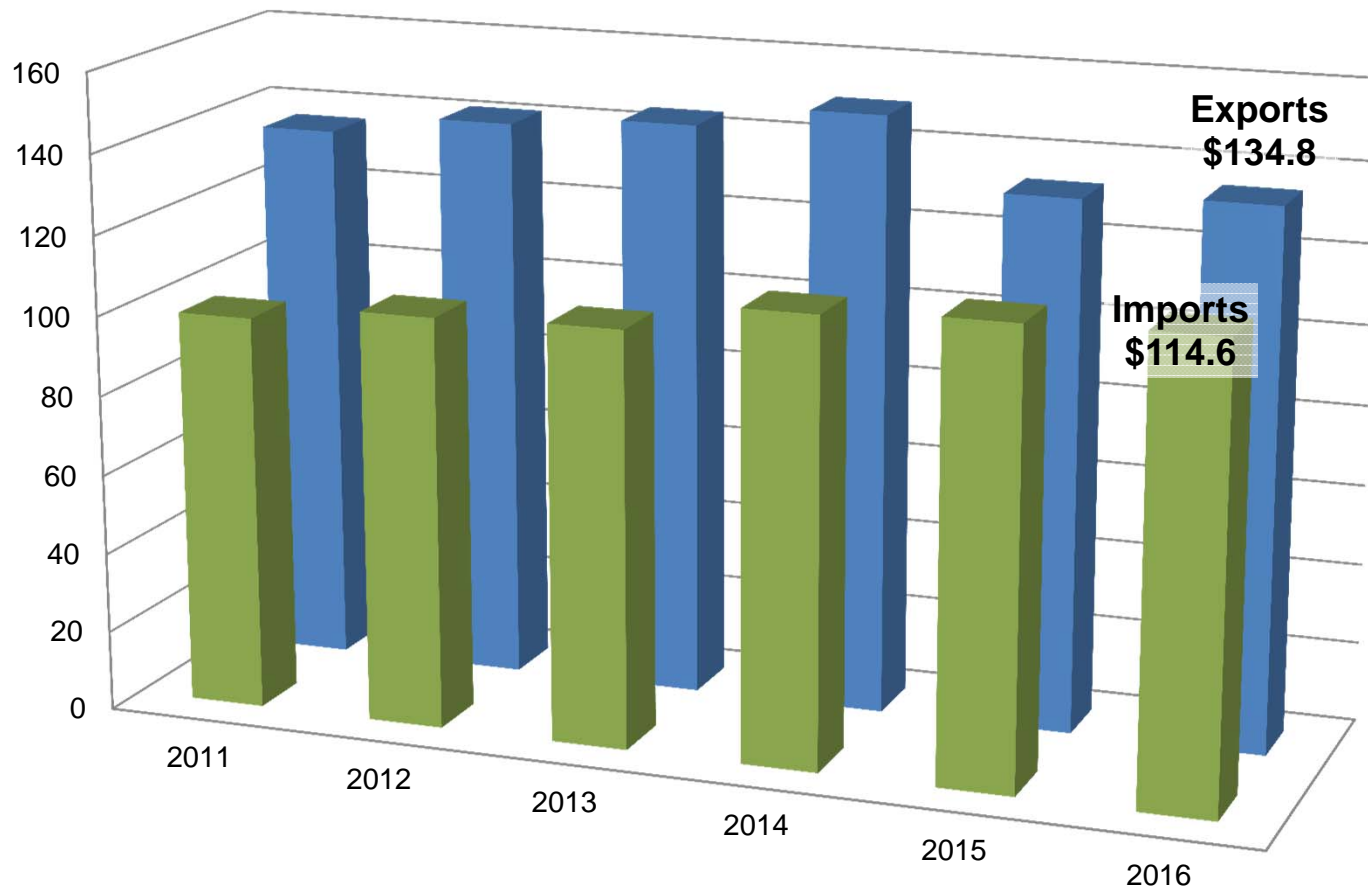
- PPQ is the United States' **National Plant Protection Organization**
- Work with other USDA agencies and U.S. Trade Representative
- Work with industry and state departments of agriculture





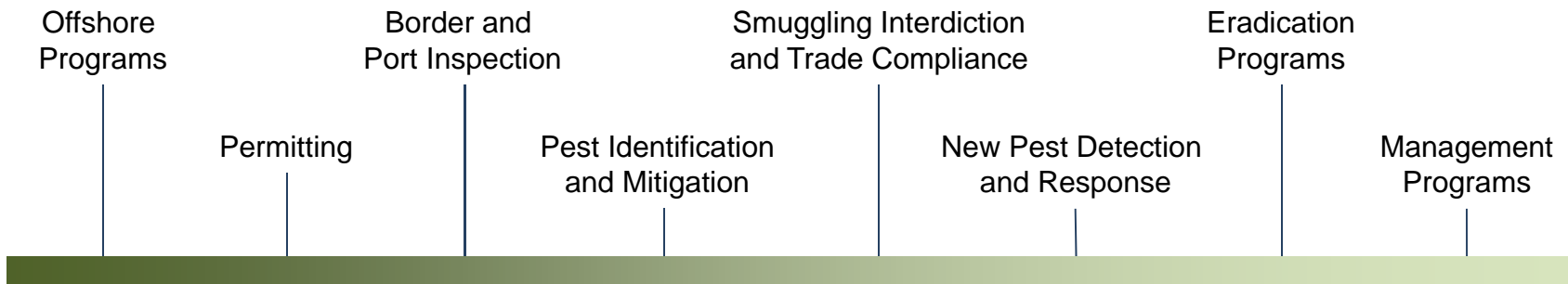
Facilitating Safe Trade

Value of U.S. Agricultural Trade
(Billion dollars)





Safeguarding Agriculture



Prevent pests from entering and becoming established in the United States

Fight back against pests that do get in





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Facilitating Safe Trade



Promote the Use of
Science-Based Standards

Resolve Plant Health
Barriers to Trade

Certify the Health of
U.S. Exports



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Setting Standards for Global Trade



International Plant Protection Convention



North American Plant Protection Organization

International Plant Protection Convention

- 182 countries, including U.S.
- Standards:
 - Critical tools for negotiating technically sound trade requirements
 - Safely expand agricultural trade



Creating an Electronic Phytosanitary Certificate Exchange System

Harmonize communication between trading countries

Increase speed, efficiency, and savings for government and industry

Reduce or eliminate fraudulent certificates

Allow developing countries to participate in a global system with minimal cost



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North American Plant Protection Organization

- U.S., Canada, Mexico
- Includes industry
- Develop harmonized approaches to manage regional pest threats
- Protect North America's agricultural and natural resources



Further Reducing Forest Pest Threats to North America

Hosted workshop in 2016 for 42 government and industry experts from the United States, Canada, and Mexico

Collectively improving the implementation of ISPM 15—the standard for regulating wood packaging material



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Resolving Plant Health Barriers to Trade



Resolved issues to retain and/or expand market access for U.S. plant products worth \$1.2 billion

Secured the release of 319 U.S. shipments valued at more than \$65 million



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Certifying the Health of U.S. Exports

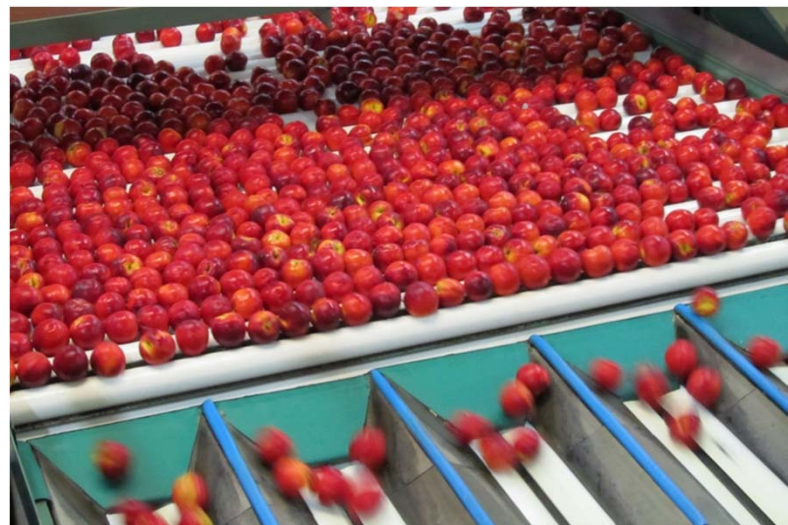


Conducted export and survey activities and issued more than **650,000 certificates** to support U.S. agricultural exports valued at **\$134.8 billion** in 2016.



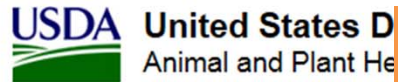
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Trade Successes





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Farm Bill 10007 Spending Plan Announcements FY 2017

USDA Provides \$57.8 Million in Fiscal Year 2017 to Protect Agriculture and Plants from Pests and Diseases through the 2014 Farm Bill Section 10007.

Latest News

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