

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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RESEARCH PROGRAMS

PART I. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM

1. Objectives

Provide knowledge and data that will be used by Federal, State, and local agencies, and by the people of the United States in enhancement of human welfare, with particular emphasis on farm and rural people.

2. Operation

The program is carried out by USDA research agencies (32 percent) and State agricultural experiment stations (68 percent). The USDA program is 70 percent intramural; 3 percent contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements with State agricultural experiment stations; 22 percent contracts with other universities and private research organizations in this country, and 5 percent by contracts and grants with foreign research organizations which are paid with foreign currencies obtained under the provisions of Public Law 480.

The State station programs which are under the administrative direction of the land-grant colleges and universities are supported 27 percent by Federal funds appropriated for them to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 43 percent by State appropriations, 9