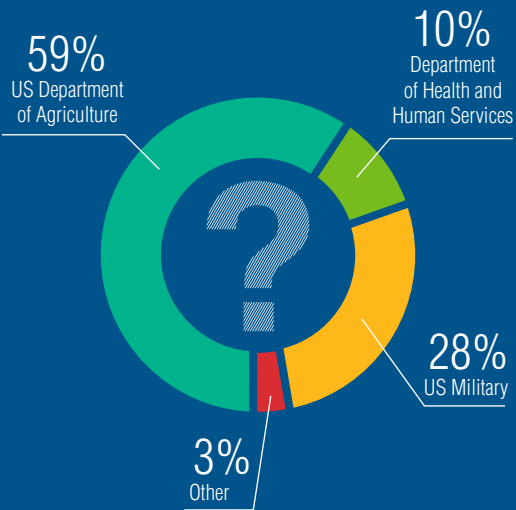


WHERE ARE VETERINARIANS WORKING IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT?



VETERINARIANS ARE WORKING TO SOLVE TODAY'S MOST PRESSING PUBLIC AND ANIMAL HEALTH CHALLENGES

Today, more than 3,000 veterinarians are employed in over 29 areas throughout the federal government – protecting public health, safeguarding America's food supply, conducting biomedical research, responding to national emergencies and more.

Veterinary medicine is a complex field that requires expertise in a variety of technical disciplines including basic biology, comparative medicine and public health.

Areas of Veterinary Expertise Include:

- Animal health, welfare and production
- Basic and clinical sciences
- Business management skills
- Comparative medicine
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Emergency and crisis management
- Food safety and security
- National and international trade
- Public health
- Risk analysis
- Scientific research

By giving thoughtful consideration to the unique portfolio of scientific knowledge, experience and expertise that veterinarians offer, human resources professionals can fulfill their desire to place the most highly qualified candidates into rewarding careers while at the same time enhance our nation's federal workforce.

VETERINARIANS: EXPERTISE AND EXPERIENCE



LEARN MORE

For more information, including a white paper on how veterinarians can be more involved in federal service, visit nafv.org.



The American Veterinary Medical Association



The National Association of Federal Veterinarians



Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine

Center for Public and Corporate Veterinary Medicine - The Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine

FEDERAL VETERINARIANS

THE WORLD IS OUR CLINIC



Veterinarians are Trained Professionals Who...

Safeguard Our Food Supply

With nearly 300 billion pounds of meat and dairy products produced in the United States annually, veterinarians serve a crucial role in ensuring that only the best and safest food makes it to market. From caring for livestock on the farm to overseeing the inspection and testing of meat and dairy products, veterinarians safeguard America's food supply and help prevent foodborne illnesses.

Protect Global Health

The "One Health" approach to medicine unites multiple disciplines working locally, nationally and internationally to ensure the health and well-being of humans, animals and the environment.

As the global community becomes more interconnected, America's veterinarians are on the frontlines worldwide investigating how diseases spread, developing tools that help educate, prevent and monitor disease outbreaks, helping regulate the drugs and additives used in food animal production, and conducting research that has led to new vaccines and drugs for both people and animals.

Help Secure America's Homeland

Keeping our country safe from harm is a number one priority for federal veterinarians who protect our health, agricultural economy and borders. From ongoing disease surveillance to researching zoonotic diseases, veterinarians are America's first line of defense against those who may seek to do us harm. They are also first responders to natural or man-made events that affect the health or safety of animals and people.

**DID YOU
KNOW?**

Since 1892, federal veterinarians have led efforts to eradicate more than 16 diseases from livestock that could have had damaging U.S. economic and public health effects.



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If You Have Job Openings for
*animal scientists, microbiologists,
toxicologists, food inspector supervisors,
consumer safety officer supervisors, animal
welfare experts...*

If You Have Job Openings for
*veterinary medical officers, research
scientists, epidemiologists, public health
advisors/analysts...*

If You Have Job Openings for
*military officers, program/policy analysts,
health/agricultural advisors, foreign service
officers, emergency management...*

**Then You Want
a Veterinarian!**

Planning for the Future Workforce

In the next few years, a large percentage of federal employees will be eligible to retire. At the same time, the federal government has experienced an increasing demand for professionals with science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) backgrounds.

Veterinarians are highly skilled professionals trained in a wide range of technical, scientific, management and communication areas who are well suited to meet the federal government's future hiring needs. Many veterinarians possess advanced degrees (e.g., an MBA, M.P.H., M.S., or Ph.D.) and have the expertise to position themselves as leaders and innovators in STEM-based careers. In addition, many veterinarians have had successful careers in the private sector and can bring unique, practical experience in areas such as business management, client relations, contracting and budgeting.