



Research, Education, & Economics

Agricultural Research Service (ARS)

National Institute for Food and Agriculture (NIFA)

Economic Research Service (ERS)

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS)

Discrimination in Employment Is Illegal

Any employee or applicant for employment who believes that he or she has been discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age (40+), physical or mental disability, reprisal (for prior participation in the EEO complaint process), sexual orientation, genetic information, political beliefs, parental status, and /or marital status may file a complaint of discrimination.

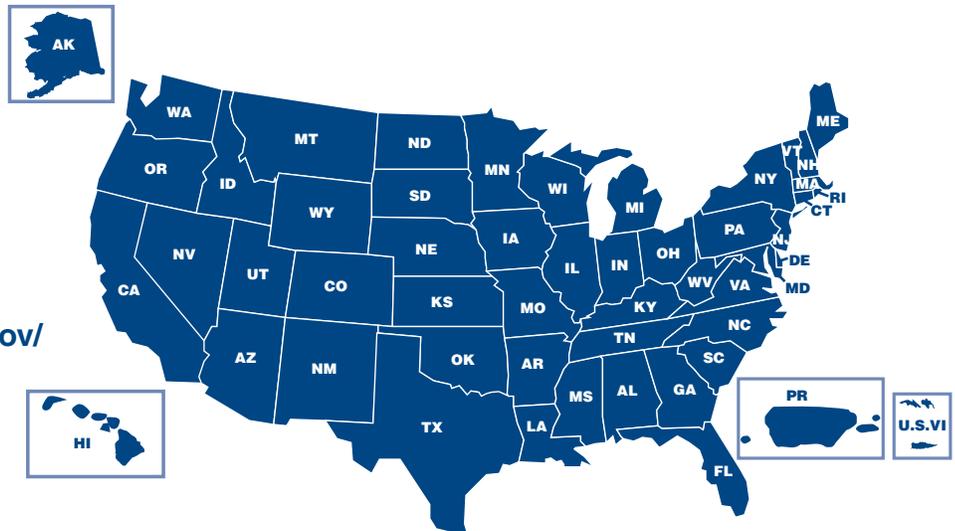
In order to protect your civil rights, you must contact the Office of Outreach, Diversity, and Equal Opportunity within 45 calendar days of the alleged discrimination event.

REE Mission Area EEO Counseling

Office of Outreach, Diversity,
and Equal Opportunity
USDA, ARS Headquarters
1400 Independence Ave., SW
Room 3913-S
Washington, D.C. 20250

1-800-340-4289 or
(202) 720-6161

Website: <http://www.ars.usda.gov/>



The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, and where applicable, sex, marital status, familial status, parental status, religion, sexual orientation, genetic information, political beliefs, reprisal, or because all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs.) Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD). To file a complaint of discrimination, write to USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, or call (800) 795-3272 (voice) or (202) 720-6382 (TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.