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## Iowa State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory

### **Purpose and History**

The Iowa State University (ISU) Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory was established in 1947 to provide diagnostic services that prevent livestock diseases. The Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory is the only public laboratory in Iowa that is accredited by the American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians. The Laboratory processes more than 75,000 cases and completes more than 1.5 million tests per year. The Laboratory also provides educational opportunities to professionals, graduate students, scientists, and other practitioners.

### **Funding History**

Funding to the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory from the Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee began in FY 2007 with \$1.0 million. Since FY 2015, the annual General Fund appropriation has been \$4.0 million per year.

#### **Related Statutes and Administrative Rules**

Iowa Code section 163.9

#### More Information

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