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# **FAS History**

- USDA founded by President Lincoln in 1862
- Foreign Agricultural Service
   Division USDA's Bureau of
   Agricultural Economics Created in 1930
- Foreign Agricultural Service created in 1953

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## FAS Mission

## Create economic opportunity for American agriculture by expanding global markets













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## **Commodity Credit Corporation**

- Federally chartered corporation
- Secretary of Agriculture = Chairman of the Board
- Created to support farm incomes and maintain adequate supplies of agricultural products
- Statutory authority for the Export Credit Guarantee
   Programs is granted to the CCC





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#### **PURPOSE OF GSM-102 PROGRAM**

- ✓ Promote international agricultural trade
- ✓ Encourage the extension of financing
- ✓ Risk mitigation protects exporter or U.S. bank against losses if the foreign bank defaults on its obligation

Provides credit guarantees to encourage commercial financing of U.S. agricultural commodity exports, thereby assisting U.S. exporters in making sales that might not otherwise occur.

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## **Program Participation**

- Approved Countries/Regions
- Approved Foreign Banks
- Qualified U.S. Exporters
- Approved U.S. Banks
- Importers do not need to be approved







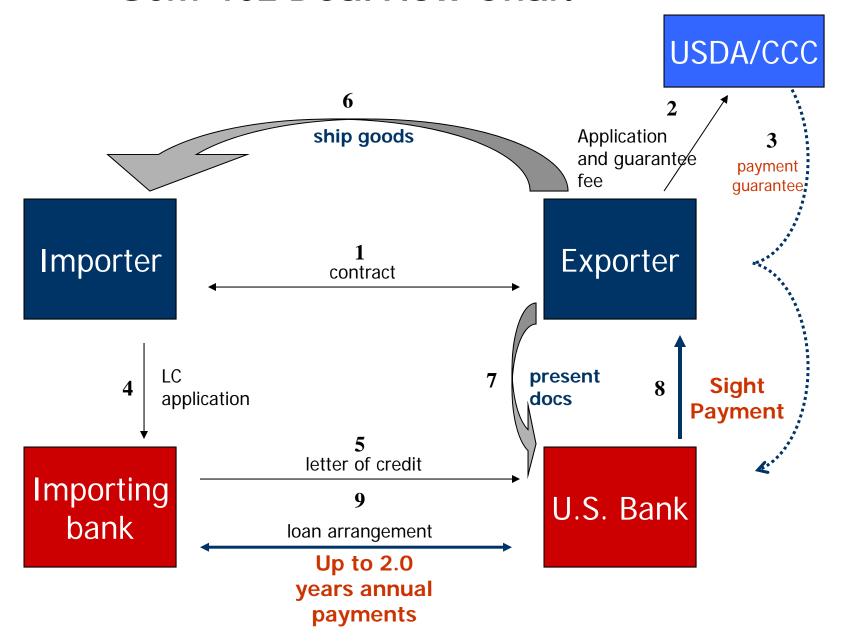
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#### How GSM-102 works

- Guarantees payments by a foreign bank, facilitating commercial financing between an exporter's bank and the foreign bank for sales of U.S. agricultural products
- Financing mechanism: letter of credit (L/C)
- Covers up to 98% of the loan principal and a portion of the interest
- Currently covers terms up to 2.0 years, with maximum terms based on country risk
- Freight is generally covered
- Currently have 76 bank-eligible countries and almost 140 foreign banks with credit limits

#### **GSM-102 Deal Flow Chart**



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## Step by Step

- U.S. exporter qualifies to participate
- U.S. exporter negotiates a firm sales contract with importer
- Exporter applies for guarantee coverage; pays guarantee fee
- USDA issues guarantee to exporter; exporter (typically) assigns guarantee to a USDA-approved U.S. bank
- Importer applies for L/C & USDA-approved foreign bank issues L/C in favor of the exporter





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## Step by Step continued

- Exporter ships commodity & presents documents to U.S. bank
- U.S. bank pays exporter at sight and extends financing terms to foreign bank
- Foreign bank pays U.S. bank per terms of financing which must be consistent with USDA guarantee
- Importer pays foreign bank per terms established between these parties
- If foreign bank defaults, holder of the guarantee files claim with USDA

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#### **BENEFITS to FOREIGN BANK**

- Access to trade finance with U.S. banks
- Increased credit lines from U.S. banks
- Ability to borrow in U.S. dollars up to 2.0 years
- Potentially lower funding costs (interest rates and fees)
- Ability to support and finance customers

#### **BENEFITS to U.S. BANK**

- Less risk USDA takes 98% of principal repayment risk
- Ability to leverage credit lines to foreign banks
- Better use of country and counterparty limits
- Ability to lend up to 2.0 years
- Ability to lend at lower rates because of USDA guarantee
- Establish or improve correspondent banking relationships
- Service U.S. exporter client

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#### **GSM-102 COMMODITIES**

- √ 100% produced in USA
- ✓ Consumer Ready, Intermediate and Bulk
- ✓ CCC "basket" of commodities
- ✓ High-Value products (90% U.S. Content)



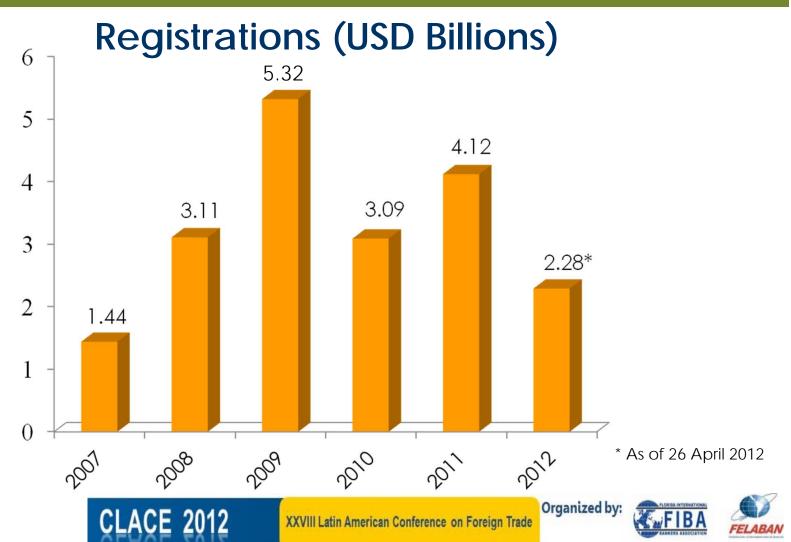




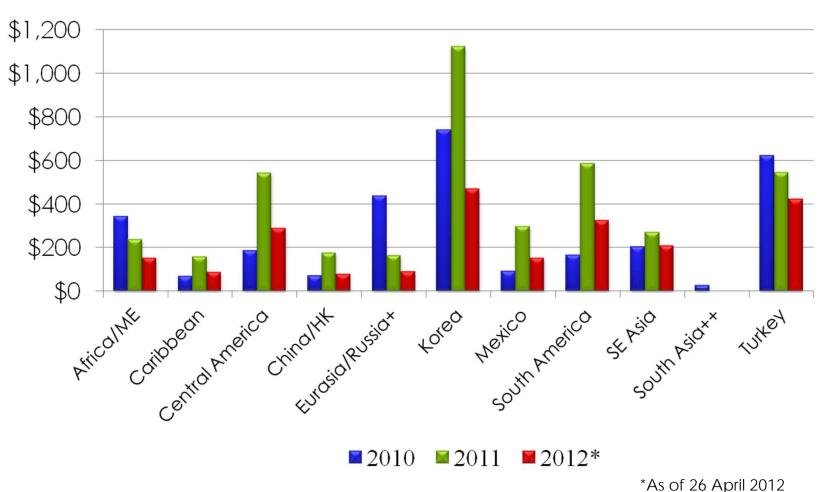


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## **GSM-102 Global Usage** FY 2010 - 2012 (in USD millions)

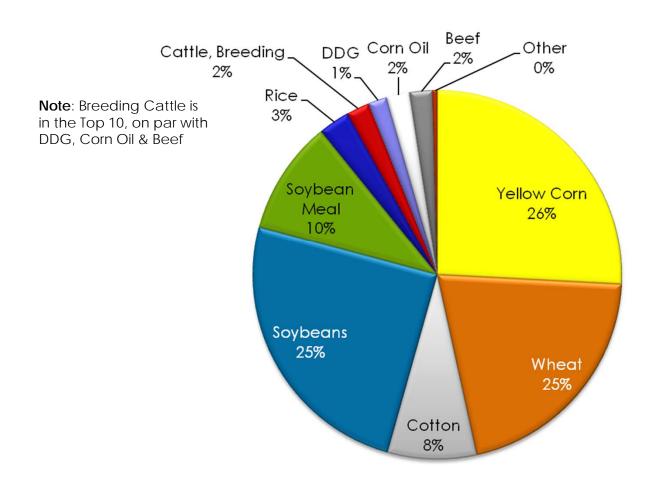


+Region discontinued in 2012

++ Region discontinued after 2010

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# Top Commodities under GSM-102 FY 2012\*



\* As of 26 April 2012

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## FY 2012 Programming (\$5.5 Billion per Farm Bill)

Country/Region	
Africa/Middle East	\$400 Million
Caribbean	\$325 Million
Central America	\$600 Million
China/Hong Kong	\$250 Million
Georgia	\$50 Million
Korea, South	\$1,350 Million
Mexico	\$ 400 Million
Russia	\$200 Million
South America	\$675 Million
Southeast Asia	\$500 Million
Turkey	\$ 650 Million
Reserve	\$100 Million
TOTAL:	\$5.5 Billion

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## **GSM Approved Banks in Western Hemisphere**

#### CENTRAL AMERICA

Costa Rica (5)

El Salvador (3)

Guatemala (8)

Honduras (5)

Panama (12)

#### **CARIBBEAN**

Dominican Republic (1) Jamaica (1) Trinidad & Tobago (3)

#### **MEXICO**

Mexico (3)

#### **SOUTH AMERICA**

Chile (5)

Colombia (4)

Paraguay (4)

Peru (6)

Uruguay (1)

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## Facility Guarantee Program (FGP)

FGP provides payment guarantees to finance commercial exports of U.S. manufactured goods and services that will be used to improve agriculture-related facilities. Program designed to expand sales of U.S. agricultural products to emerging markets where inadequate storage, processing, or handling capacity limit trade potential.

Program information:

http://www.fas.usda.gov/excredits/facility-new.asp

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#### **FGP**

- Guarantees payments by a foreign bank, facilitating commercial financing between an exporter's bank and the foreign bank for sales of manufacturing goods and services
- Subject to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Arrangement on Officially Supported Export Credits (for capital goods) – disciplines fees, tenor, down payment requirement



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#### **FGP: Current Status**

- No program announced for FY 2012: new regulation currently underway
- Two main program requirements in Farm Bill:
  - Eligible projects must "primarily promote the export of U.S. agricultural commodities."
  - 2008 Farm Bill permits Secretary to waive requirement to use U.S. goods if such goods are not available or not practicable.
- Goal to re-announce program during FY 2013



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For more information on the GSM-102 program, visit:

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