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Georgia's Economic Impact Study





On February 28, 2024, Georgia celebrated our 150th anniversary. The Georgia Department of Agriculture, established in 1874, stands as the United States first State Department of Agriculture.

While Georgia's #1 industry and the Department's role in supporting it have evolved tremendously in the years since our founding, the Department continues to play a vital role in supporting and protecting Georgia's industry, ensuring the safety of our state's food supply, and serving farmers, producers, and consumers in every corner of the state.

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Structural Pest Control Act of 1955





UGA-GDA Research

- Georgia Structural Pest Control Act
- Research Fees
- UGA College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences:
Urban Entomology Structural Insect Pests Research Program



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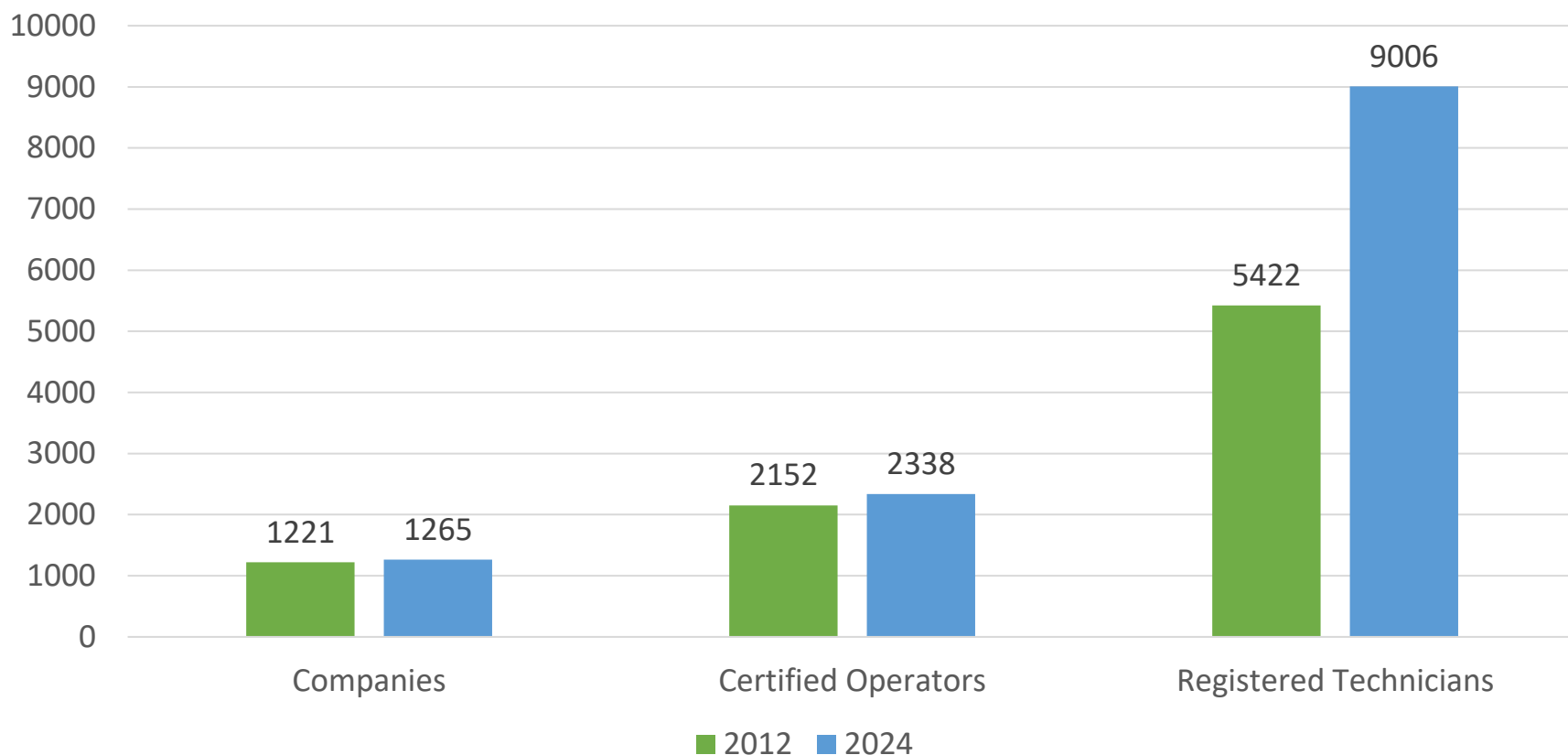
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Certification Trends





GDA

State Funding

EPA Funding

2000 – 24 Inspectors

2024 – 10 Inspectors

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Structural Pest Division

How does this help?

Strategic Planning

Resources

Legislative Requests

Budget

Decision-making

1. Do legislators know what we do?
2. Justification help

A wide-angle photograph of a field of young green plants, likely soybeans, under a dramatic sunset sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright glow and long shadows. The sky is filled with scattered clouds, and the overall scene is peaceful and agricultural.

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