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In order to help the Department secure its assets and best achieve its mission, the Office of Inspector General (OIG) performed an audit of four mission areas within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to provide an assessment of the management and security of the Department's information technology (IT) resources as they pertain to access management and logging controls. We reviewed relevant laws, regulations, and industry best practices in order to gain sufficient knowledge to evaluate USDA's IT security posture. We requested evidence, including IT and other related organizational policies and procedures, and interviewed relevant IT personnel and compiled evidence related to access management and logging at each mission area. We found that the Department did not fully implement Federally-mandated controls. This report contains sensitive content. It is being withheld from public release due to concerns about the risk of circumvention of law.

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