

FMMI Terminology and System Features

FMMI stands for the Financial Management Modernization Initiative. New terms and system features will be addressed in more detail in training, however the boxes below provide a snapshot of some of the key features.

Reminder: Everyone will take training to learn how to use the new system based on your role in FMMI.

- FMMI 101 – Introduction to FMMI – Delivery June through July – required for all Deployment 1 FMMI users
- 200 Level - Process Overview courses – Available in July online courses via AgLearn
- 300 Level - System Navigation courses – Delivery begins in August via instructor-led classroom training
- 400 Level - Role Based courses – Delivery begins in August via instructor-led classroom training

For more information on FMMI terms and system features see the FMMI website:

- [FMMI Glossary](#) - FMMI terms and acronyms
- [Latest News](#) - Past FMMI Newsflash issues and Newsletters
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#) - Answers to questions on all aspects of FMMI
- [FMMI Mailbox](#) - Submit a question for any information you still need. Please indicate a clear subject line.

FFIS to FMMI: System Features - FMMI targets the replacement of FFIS and the replacement of the legacy financial and program ledgers used in the USDA programs. Below are some of the distinctions between the two systems.

FFIS System Features

Multiple Agency-owned applications - many feeder systems currently interface with the existing financial systems. Keeping all of these systems synchronized across the USDA enterprise is costly and creates risks associated with data latency, consistency, and accuracy.

Front-end mainframe system – FFIS is based on outdated mainframe technology and is no longer supported by CGI Federal for ongoing compliance with Federal financial management requirements, thus posing unacceptable risks to USDA.

Multiple system-specific login – each system requires a separate login to search, query and collect information which requires additional time in accessing data for review or processing.

Table driven system for processing and review – multiple tables hold the multitude of information necessary for decision making requiring users to access several places and pull information across.

Reporting updates nightly - excessive manual intervention and limited query capabilities are challenges the reporting system faces. Generating enterprise-wide financial information requires developers to write report programs and gather information across disparate applications.

FMMI System Features

One instance – all Agencies and Staff Offices will operate in the same application. FMMI will integrate a majority of the financial capabilities of the USDA. This integration allows for a single data entry into the system which promotes data integrity, reliability, consistency, and sharing across USDA.

Web-based system - Replacing FFIS, the core financial management system and program ledgers, with a modern, Web-based system is expected to eliminate the need to operate and maintain many of USDA legacy feeder systems as well as the data warehouse currently required to produce timely external financial statements.

Single point login entry via a Portal – FMMI requires only one sign-on, which is the same as current Level 2 eAuthentication. Single sign-on integrates between FMMI and other USDA applications such as AgLearn.

Module or functional system that allows transaction specific processing – ability to roll-up or drill-down financial or budgetary results – real-time at the click of the mouse that provides capabilities beyond merely generating and posting accounting entries and tracking funds.

Real-time reporting and drill-down capability - business transactions in FMMI will occur real-time once posted in the system, not batched. Once posted FMMI will allow a drill-down capability to see every aspect of the transactions. This allows for consolidated financial and budgetary reporting needs to strategically manage the Department's businesses more effectively and to meet Agency / Staff Office federal reporting requirements and management needs.

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