

Purdue Improved Crop Storage (PICS) Program

The Problem:

Insects damage stored grains, leading to:



The PICS Solution:

Hermetic triple-layer bags protect grain from insect damage without using chemicals.



PICS Bags:

- Improve food security
- Increase income
- Chemical-Free
- Promote good health
- Maintain seed quality

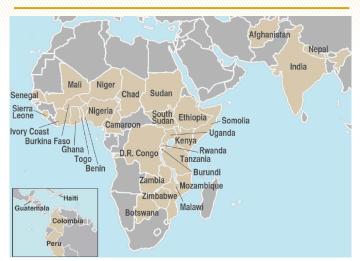
- Quality loss
- Weight loss
- Excessive use of chemicals

Effective for:

Cowpea Maize Common bean Pigeon pea Sorghum Millett Chickpea Wheat Hibiscus Bambara Groundnut Mung bean Sesame Rice Soybean

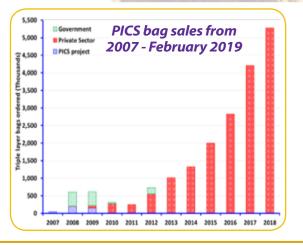


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PICS Achievements Since 2007:

- 34 countries worldwide
- 29 local companies licensed worldwide
- 60,000 villages trained
- 6 million farmers trained
- 19 million bags sold by February 2019
- Farmers make US \$27/100kg of cowpeas in PICS bags
- Supply chain moved from project to private sector



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