

AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHING

INDUSTRY SNAPSHOT 2020

► THE WORKFORCE

This industry covers a wide range of activities, separated into fifteen groups:

- Poultry Farming
- Sheep, Beef Cattle and Grain Farming
- Dairy Cattle Farming
- Fishing
- Aquaculture
- Other Livestock Farming
- Deer Farming
- Fruit and Tree Nut Growing
- Mushroom and Vegetable Growing
- Forestry and Logging
- Other Crop Growing
- Nursery and Floriculture Production
- Agriculture and Fishing Support Services
- Forestry Support Services
- Hunting and Trapping

7%

of the total
Tasmanian
workforce

7% aged 65+

around 1.5 x the average proportion statewide
THE THIRD HIGHEST OF ALL INDUSTRIES

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► THE INJURIES

453

injuries across the
industry in 2020

11.4

serious injuries per
million hours worked

25% higher
than the state
average of 9.1



21% higher
serious injury frequency
rate in 2020 than
ten years ago

► THE PEOPLE



Agriculture and Fishing
Support Services

reported the highest serious injury frequency rate
at 41 serious injuries per million hours worked



2 in 5

workers seriously injured in
the last 5 years worked in either

Dairy Cattle Farming
or Aquaculture



► THE CAUSES

The most common causes of injury
across the industry



Body stressing



Falls, slips and trips



Being hit by moving objects



Hitting objects with a part
of the body

► ACTION AREAS

Priority conditions and causes identified in the WorkSafe Strategic Plan 2018-2023
relevant to the industry



Musculoskeletal
disorders



Hazardous
manual tasks



Slips, trips
and falls



Safe movement of
vehicles and plant

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