

Victorian Agriculture Industry Snapshot

January 2023

AGRICULTURE VICTORIA

SECTOR VALUE

\$17.5B

GROSS VALUE OF AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION (2020-21)

Victoria is Australia's second largest agricultural producer after NSW



Top 5 commodities



Grains
\$3.55B



Horticulture
\$3.24B



Milk
\$2.86B



Beef
\$2.58B



Sheep meat
\$1.90B

Victoria is Australia's #1 producer (by value)



Table/dried grapes
70%



Milk
64%



Sheep meat
46%



Fruit and nuts
35%

FARMING BUSINESSES

21,600

FARMING BUSINESSES (2020-21)

Victoria's share of Australian farms



Majority of farming businesses produce#



Beef specialist
5,300



Sheep specialist
3,000



Grains specialist
1,700



Dairy
3,100



Horticulture
2,800

#Some farms produce multiple commodities (there are 1,750 mixed-livestock and 680 sheep-beef farms) (ABARES).

FARMLAND

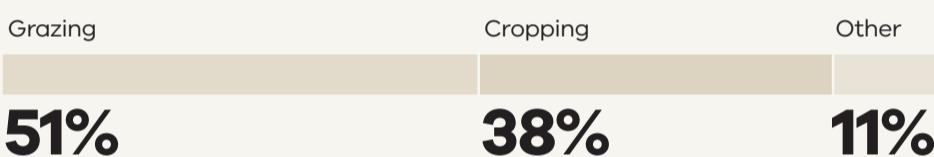
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LAND USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION (2020-21)

Estimated area of Victoria's landmass managed by agricultural businesses



Of the total agricultural land



EXPORTS VALUE (2021-22)

\$17.9B

TOTAL FOOD AND FIBRE EXPORTS (2021-22)

Percentage of all Victorian goods exports accounted for by food and fibre exports



Victoria is Australia's largest food and fibre exporting state

Victoria accounted for 26% of Australia's food and fibre exports from just 3% of Australia's arable land mass.

172
EXPORT DESTINATIONS

Victoria's top 5 food and fibre exports



Grains
\$4.4B



Meat
\$4.3B



Dairy
\$2.5B



Animal fibre
\$1.9B



Horticulture
\$1.4B

Victoria's most valuable food and fibre export markets

China	US	Japan	NZ	Indonesia	Others
\$4.43B	\$1.55B	\$1.46B	\$0.95B	\$0.84B	\$8.67B

EMPLOYMENT

67,600

PEOPLE EMPLOYED IN AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION (2020-21)

82,450

JOBS IN FOOD AND BEVERAGE MANUFACTURING PRODUCTION (2020-21)

Of all Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing jobs



Employment (jobs) by agricultural industry



Horticulture
14,100



Dairy
12,950



Beef
10,600



Grains
9,700



Sheep
9,200

HOW MUCH WAS PRODUCED IN 2020-21?



Grains
10M tonnes

Wheat (4.5M tonnes)
Barley (2.9M tonnes)
Canola (1.1M tonnes)



Horticulture
1.7M tonnes

24% of Australia's production



Beef
390 kilotonnes

20% of Australia's production



Sheep meat
307 kilotonnes

#1 producer in Australia. 47% of national production



Milk
5.65B litres

#1 dairying state – produced two-thirds of Australia's milk

INDUSTRY VALUE ADDED 2020-21

\$9.4B

AGRICULTURE'S CONTRIBUTION TO VICTORIA'S GROSS STATE PRODUCT (GSP)

\$8.2B

FOOD AND BEVERAGE MANUFACTURING CONTRIBUTION TO VICTORIA'S ECONOMY GSP

3.7%

AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION AND FOOD MANUFACTURING SHARE OF VICTORIA'S GSP