

Horticulture “At a Glance”

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Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry – Australian Horticulture

▶ www.agriculture.gov.au/agriculture-land/farm-food-drought/hort-policy

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INDUSTRY DESCRIPTION

Horticulture is the branch of agriculture that deals with the art, science, technology, and business of sustainable food and ornamental plant cultivation - it is typically high-value and intensive.

Horticulture is Australia's third largest agricultural industry, and its produce is recognised internationally as high-quality.

The Sunraysia area of Victoria and NSW is identified nationally as a key growing area.

Across the Murray Mallee region** the horticulture industry includes the production of:

-  Grapes – table and wine
-  Trees (citrus, stone fruits, nuts and olives etc.)
-  Vegetables and fruits



-  Turf (lawn for commercial and residential use)
-  Nursery products
-  Cut flowers

** For the purposes of this document the Murray Mallee region includes the Victorian Local Government Areas of Swan Hill, Mildura, Gannawarra and Buloke and the NSW Local Government Areas of Murray River, Balranald and Wentworth.

KEY STATISTICS

In 2020/2021 the Gross Value of horticulture across the Murray Mallee Region** was \$1.8 billion!

This included:

-  \$840 million in Fruit and nuts (excluding grapes)
-  \$682 million in Grapes
-  \$173 million in Vegetables and
-  \$71 million in Nurseries, cut flowers or cultivated turf

CAREERS IN HORTICULTURE ACCORDING TO PASSION

. IF YOU LOVE BEING OUTDOORS .

Horticulturist . Horticultural Consultant/Technician . Nursery Assistant/Grower . Arborist . Bushland Officer . Floriculturist . Forestry Worker . Gardener . Green Wall/Roof Specialist . Groundskeeper . Irrigation Technician . Landscape Gardener . Landscaping Assistant . Parks Officer . Plant Breeder . Plant Propagator . Retail Nursery Worker . Sports Turf Curator . Tissue Culture Specialist . Turf Grower

. IF SCIENCE IS YOUR THING .

Horticultural Researcher/Scientist . Agronomist . Biosecurity Officer . Botanist . Entomologist . Environmental Scientist . Extension Officer . Plant Pathologist

. IF TECH IS YOUR GIG .

Engineer . Machinery Operator . Mechanic . Precision Agriculture Consultant . Research & Development . Robotics Technician . Spray Technician . Welder

. IF CARING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT IS FOR YOU .

Horticultural Therapist/Consultant . Arborist . Biologist . Botanist . Forestry Worker . Landscape Architect/Designer . Natural Landscape Manager . Urban Forester

. IF YOU LOVE BEING CREATIVE .

Florists . Horticultural Journalist . Brand Specialist . Graphic Designer . Landscape Gardener . Marketer . Plant Blogger . Radio Broadcaster . Social Media Strategist

. IF YOU WANT TO LEAD .

Agribusiness Manager . Viticulturalist . Winemaker . Grower Integration Manager . Human Resources Manager . Open Space Manager . Pest Health Manager . Plant Production Manager . Product Development Manager . Purchasing Officer Retail Manager . Supply Chain Manager . Urban Forest Manager

. IF YOU WANT TO CRUNCH THE NUMBERS .

Accountant . Agricultural Economist . Contract Manager . Commodity Trader . Logistics Scheduler . Occupational Health and Safety Representatives . Payroll Officer . Quality Assurance . Agribusiness Administrator