

Agricultural Land and Water Ownership Survey 2016

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Australian Business Number

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Purpose of Collection

This survey will collect information on the foreign ownership of agricultural businesses, land and water entitlements. There may be supplementary telephone contact with other businesses reported on this form to enquire about some details, including the degree of foreign ownership, of these businesses. Results from the survey will be used to inform policy and decision making by government and industry bodies.

Collection Authority

The information asked for is collected under the authority of the *Census and Statistics Act 1905*. Your co-operation is sought in completing and returning this form by the due date. The Act provides me with the power, if needed, to direct you to provide the information sought.

Confidentiality

Your completed form remains confidential to the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Due Date

Please complete this form and return it in the reply paid envelope to the Australian Bureau of Statistics by **or within 14 days of receipt.**

Help available

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 Sydney NSW 2000



Australian Statistician

Person we should contact if any queries arise regarding this form

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Please read this first

- **Important:** This form will be read using electronic equipment.
- Use **only black ball point pen** when completing this form.
- Please report area figures in whole numbers except where instructed otherwise, for example

• or •

- Keep each number, letter or tick within the data entry boxes provided, for example

or

- You will need to report an estimate of time taken when you have completed this form.

- Leave answer boxes blank where you have no response or data to enter.
- Do not use 'nil', 'n/a' or draw a line in the data entry boxes.

- If a mistake is made, cross out the incorrect answer and either write the answer in the remaining boxes, for example

Water entitlement ... , •
 or if not enough space is left, write next to the relevant item, for example

Water entitlement ... , •

- The items listed under **Including** and **Excluding** are examples and should not be taken as a complete list of items to be included or excluded.

Part 1 – Business details

1 Did the business registered to the Australian Business Number (ABN) on the front of this form:

Definition

- Water entitlement – a perpetual or ongoing entitlement to exclusive access to a share of water from a specified source as defined in the relevant water plan.

Tick all that apply

- (a) Own, lease or operate an agricultural property as at 30 June 2016 ...
- (b) Own or lease a water entitlement for agricultural purposes as at 30 June 2016 ...
- (c) Neither of the above ... **Go to Question 13**

2 In addition to the ABN listed on the front of this form, what other ABNs could be used to report for the operations of this business?

Note

- Please attach a list if you need to report more than three ABNs.

Including

- Sole trader (individual) ABNs
- Trusts (e.g. family, service)
- Partnerships
- Companies

Excluding

- Correct ABN on front of form
- ABNs used solely for financial reasons

No other ABNs ... **Go to Question 3**

Australian Business Number (ABN) ...

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Part 1 – Business details – (continued)**3 Was this business wholly Australian owned as at 30 June 2016?****Definitions**

A business is wholly Australian owned when there is no level of **foreign ownership**.

- **Foreign ownership** is where an organisation, enterprise or individual that does not usually reside in Australia owns part of the business, either directly or through an enterprise or organisation that does usually reside in Australia.
- An **organisation, enterprise or individual** usually resides in Australia if it was a resident in Australia for six months or more during the previous 12 months.

Excluding

- Any bank or other overseas financial institution that holds a mortgage for this business

Yes ► Go to Question **5**

No

Don't know ...

4 What was the percentage of foreign ownership of this business as at 30 June 2016?

Tick one box only

- (a) Greater than 0% and less than 10%
- (b) Greater than or equal to 10% and less than or equal to 50%
- (c) Greater than 50%
- (d) Some level of foreign ownership but percentage unknown
- (e) Don't know if the business is foreign owned
- (f) No foreign ownership

Part 2 – Agricultural land

Note

- Please report whole hectares only.
- To convert acres to hectares, divide acres by 2.47.
- If exact figures are not available, please provide careful estimates.
- ha = hectares.

5 Please provide a breakdown by state/territory of the area of agricultural land owned by this business as at 30 June 2016

Note

- Leased land should be reported at Question 7.

(a) New South Wales , . 0 ha

(b) Victoria , . 0 ha

(c) Queensland , . 0 ha

(d) South Australia , . 0 ha

(e) Western Australia , . 0 ha

(f) Tasmania , . 0 ha

(g) Northern Territory , . 0 ha

(h) Australian Capital Territory , . 0 ha

6 Please provide details of agricultural properties that were operated only (excluding owned and/or leased) by this business as at 30 June 2016

Definition

- Operated only - Managed/worked agricultural land, but did not own or lease that land.

Note

- Report details for each holding separately.
- Please attach a list if you need to report more than one property.

Property 1

(a) State/territory of location of property

(b) Area operated only , . 0 ha

(c) Details of the owner of this land as at 30 June 2016

Business name

Australian Business Number (ABN)

Part 2 – Agricultural land – (continued)

Note

- Please report whole hectares only.
- To convert acres to hectares, divide acres by 2.47.
- If exact figures are not available, please provide careful estimates.
- ha = hectares.

7 Please provide a breakdown by state/territory of the area of agricultural land that was leased by this business from another entity as at 30 June 2016

	Land leased for 5 or more consecutive years as at 30 June 2016	Land leased for less than 5 consecutive years as at 30 June 2016
(a) New South Wales	, , . 0 ha	, , . 0 ha
(b) Victoria	, , . 0 ha	, , . 0 ha
(c) Queensland	, , . 0 ha	, , . 0 ha
(d) South Australia	, , . 0 ha	, , . 0 ha
(e) Western Australia	, , . 0 ha	, , . 0 ha
(f) Tasmania	, , . 0 ha	, , . 0 ha
(g) Northern Territory	, , . 0 ha	, , . 0 ha
(h) Australian Capital Territory	, , . 0 ha	, , . 0 ha

8 Please provide details of agricultural properties that were leased by this business from another entity as at 30 June 2016

Note

- Report details for each holding separately.
- Please attach a list if you need to report more than one property.
- Please report the ABN for government entities if applicable.

Property 1

- (a) State/territory of location of property
- (b) Area leased , , . 0 ha
- (c) Details of the owner of this land as at 30 June 2016

Business name

Australian Business Number (ABN)

Part 3 – Water entitlements

9 Did this business own any water entitlements for agricultural purposes as at 30 June 2016?

Definition

- Water entitlement – a perpetual or ongoing entitlement to exclusive access to a share of water from a specified source as defined in the relevant water plan.

Including

- Surface water entitlements and ground water entitlements
- Water purchased from commercial/private irrigation schemes

Excluding

- Town/tap water provided by shire or council
- Water accessed without an entitlement

No Go to Question 11

Yes

10 Please provide a breakdown by state/territory of the volume of this business's water entitlement for agricultural purposes as at 30 June 2016

Note

- Please report in whole megalitres.
- 1 megalitre = 1,000 kilolitres.
- 1 megalitre = 1,000,000 litres.
- 1 megalitre = 0.81 acre feet.
- 1 megalitre = 219,969 gallons.
- To convert gallons to litres, multiply gallons by 4.55.
- If exact figures are not available, please provide careful estimates.

- (a) New South Wales , • 0 megalitres
- (b) Victoria , • 0 megalitres
- (c) Queensland , • 0 megalitres
- (d) South Australia , • 0 megalitres
- (e) Western Australia , • 0 megalitres
- (f) Tasmania , • 0 megalitres
- (g) Northern Territory , • 0 megalitres
- (h) Australian Capital Territory , • 0 megalitres

Part 3 – Water entitlements – (continued)

11 Did this business have access to another entity’s water as at 30 June 2016?

<i>Including</i>	<i>Excluding</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any access to water, whether used or not used • Permanent or temporary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – water leased – water purchased from commercial/private irrigation schemes – water traded – water bought from a broker/carrier – any other financial/non-financial transactions of water 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town/tap water provided by shire or council

No **Go to Question 13**

Yes

12 Please provide details of water access arrangements between this business and another entity as at 30 June 2016

Note

- Please attach a list if you need to report more than two entities.
- Owned water entitlements should be reported at Question 10.
- Please report the ABN for government entities if applicable.

Entity 1

- (a) State/territory where the water was used or intended for use
- (b) Volume of water accessed , • 0 megalitres
- (c) Details of the owner of this water as at 30 June 2016

Business name

Australian Business Number (ABN)

Entity 2

- (a) State/territory where the water was used or intended for use
- (b) Volume of water accessed , • 0 megalitres
- (c) Details of the owner of this water as at 30 June 2016

Business name

Australian Business Number (ABN)

Part 4 – Comments and time taken

13 Please provide comments

- on any information you have supplied on this form (e.g. related to lease arrangements or water entitlements) (please use BLOCK letters)

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- on any difficulties you had providing the requested information, or suggested improvements to this form (please use BLOCK letters)

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14 Please provide an estimate of the time taken to complete this form

Including

- The time actually spent reading the instructions, working on the questions and obtaining the information
- The time spent by all employees in collecting and providing this information

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Thank you for completing this form

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