

Dairy farm jobs

Salary table

Your salary is all about your skills and experience. This means, the more you grow, the more you earn. Check out the table below for starting rates, training opportunities and career growth. These are just minimums, but here's the best part: many dairy farm workers earn well above these. Let's take a closer look.

Classification	Title	Training required	Adult full-time weekly rate (100%)	Adult part-time hourly rate	Casual hourly rate
Farm and Livestock Hand Level 1 (FLH1) As a Dairy Operator Grade 1A with less than 12 months' experience, you'll use your knowledge and skills to carry out key tasks, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Milking and attending to livestock • Haymaking • Fencing 	Assistant Farm Hand (Works under supervision) This category is for individuals who assist with a variety of farming tasks while working under supervision.	Certificate II	\$859.30	\$22.61	\$28.26
As a Dairy Operator Grade 1B with 12 months' experience, you'll apply your knowledge and skills to carry out key tasks, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Milking and attending to livestock • Haymaking • Fencing 	Farm Hand (Works under limited supervision) This category is for individuals, skilled or unskilled, who handle a range of farming operations and work either independently or as part of a team.	Certificate IV	\$895.00	\$23.55	\$29.44
Farm and Livestock Hand Level 5 (FLH5) As a Dairy Operator Grade 2 with two years' experience, you'll apply your knowledge and skills to carry out multiple operations, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic problem solving and decision making • Managing key farm operations • Understanding the overall processes involved in a dairy farm 	Senior Farm Hand This category is for skilled individuals who work independently or as part of a team, taking on more responsibility in the day-to-day farm operations.	Certificate IV	\$930.70	\$24.49	\$30.61

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Farm and Livestock Hand Level 7 (FLH7) As a Senior Dairy Operator Grade 1 , you'll use your knowledge and skills to coordinate the operation of key farm processes, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Milking and animal attendance • Pasture and farm maintenance • Breeding programs and artificial insemination 	Production Manager (Implements policy and sets tactics) This category involves significant responsibility in managing dairy farm production activities. Production Managers bring broad industry knowledge and advanced technical skills to ensure efficient operations and the successful implementation of policies and tactics on the farm.	Diploma	\$995.00	\$26.18	\$32.73
Farm and Livestock Hand Level 8 (FLH8) As a Senior Dairy Operator Grade 2 , under the direction of the owner or manager, you'll use your expertise and skills to supervise and maintain the operation of a dairy farm, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overseeing farm operations • Ensuring smooth daily management of dairy processes • Maintaining farm standards and efficiency 	Senior Production Manager (Farm Supervisor) (Supervises staff and reports to management). This category involves overseeing staff and managing various production activities on the farm. Senior Production Managers carry out business management tasks, including monitoring Work Health & Safety, preparing operating budgets, and supervising daily work routines. With their industry knowledge, they solve problems and ensure smooth farm operations while reporting to management.	Diploma	\$1069.10	\$28.13	\$35.16
Award-free Business Manager	Business Manager (Sets policy) People in roles in this category have significant responsibility for ensuring the dairy enterprise is managed successfully. They are expected to demonstrate extensive industry knowledge, technical skills, and business management principles in order to perform this complex role. This category carries significant responsibility for ensuring the successful management of the dairy enterprise. Business Managers are expected to demonstrate extensive industry knowledge, technical expertise, and strong business management skills to oversee operations and set key policies for long-term success.	Advanced Diploma	N/A	N/A	N/A

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