
1 Industry classifications

The Commission has based its 10 industry grouping partition of the primary production sector on the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) system (ABS 1993).¹

For the most part, the Commission has disaggregated to the ANZSIC three digit (*industry*) level. The Commission considered that disaggregating at the broader two digit level, as it has used for (most of) the manufacturing sector, offered insufficient detail as it did not distinguish between different agricultural industries which can vary considerably in production characteristics and assistance levels. On the other hand the Commission considered that it was unnecessary to allocate assistance to a more disaggregated level, and in any case difficult to do with a sufficient level of accuracy.

One exception to three digit allocation has been the treatment of the *services to agriculture* and the *hunting and trapping* industries, which have been combined into the one industry grouping — *services to agriculture (inc hunting and trapping)*. The hunting and trapping industry is only a minimal portion of primary production (accounting for less than one per cent of production) and receives negligible budgetary assistance.

Nevertheless, the size of the industry groupings still varies considerably. The smallest of the 10 groupings are *aquaculture* and *forestry and logging*, accounting for around 2 per cent and 3 per cent of total primary production respectively. The largest, *grain, sheep and beef cattle farming*, accounts for around 40 per cent (ABS 2001).

The 10 primary production industry groupings are set out in Table 1.1.

¹ The Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) system replaced the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC) system in 1993. The ANZSIC system was developed to improve the comparability of industry statistics for Australia and New Zealand. International comparability was also enhanced by aligning the ANZSIC with the International Standard Industrial Classification (ISIC).

Table 1.1 Primary production industries grouping used for budgetary assistance allocation

<i>ANZSIC</i>	<i>Industry grouping</i>	<i>Activities</i>
011	Horticulture and fruit growing	Plant nurseries Cut flower and flower seed growing Vegetable growing Grape growing Apple and pear growing Stone fruit growing Other fruit growing
012	Grain, sheep and beef cattle farming	Grain growing Grain-sheep and grain-beef cattle farming Sheep-beef cattle farming Sheep farming Beef cattle farming
013	Dairy cattle farming	Dairy cattle farming
014	Poultry farming	Poultry farming (meat) Poultry farming (eggs)
015	Other livestock farming	Pig farming Horse farming Deer farming Honey bee farming Other livestock farming n.e.c. ^a
016	Other crop growing	Sugar cane growing Cotton growing Rice growing Other crop growing n.e.c. ^a
02	Services to agriculture (inc hunting and trapping)	Cotton ginning Shearing services Areal agricultural services Hunting and trapping Other services to agriculture
030	Forestry and logging	Forestry Logging Services to forestry
041	Marine fishing	Rock lobster fishing Prawn fishing Finfish fishing Squid jigging Line fishing Other marine fishing
042	Aquaculture	Fish breeding and farming Freshwater fishing Oyster farming Other Aquaculture

^a not elsewhere classified *Source:* ABS (1993)