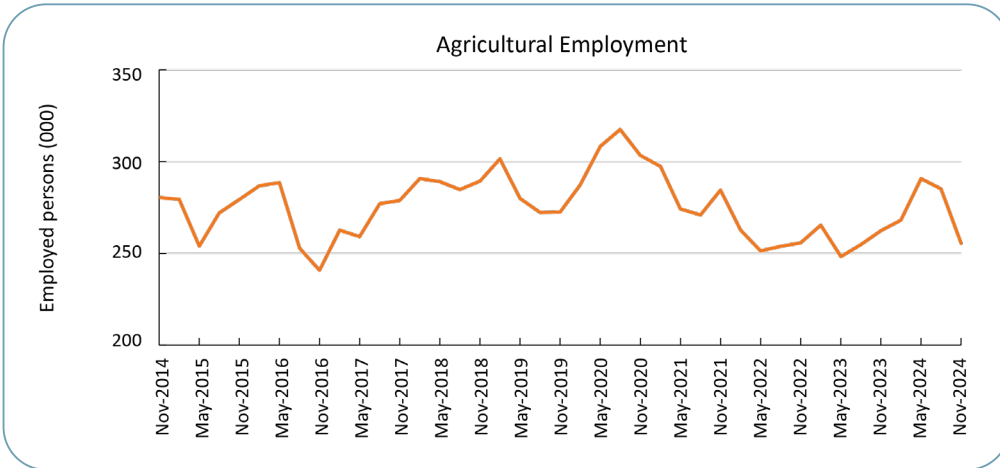


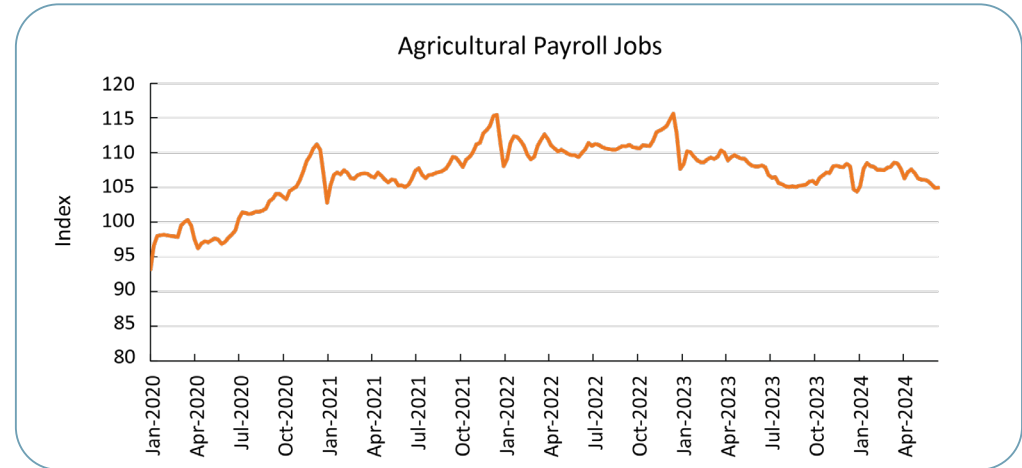


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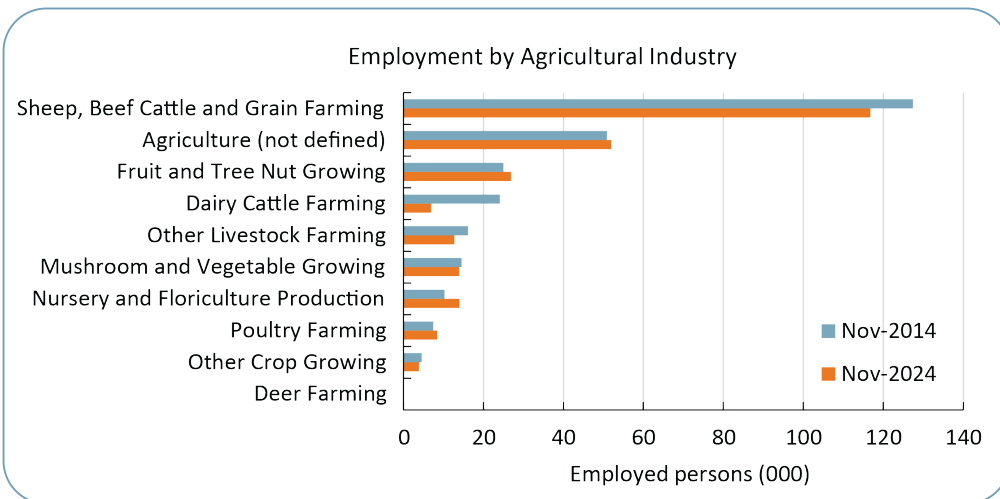
Highlight: Over the last decade, employment growth has been in Fruit and Tree Nut Growing, Nursery and Floriculture Production and Poultry Farming.



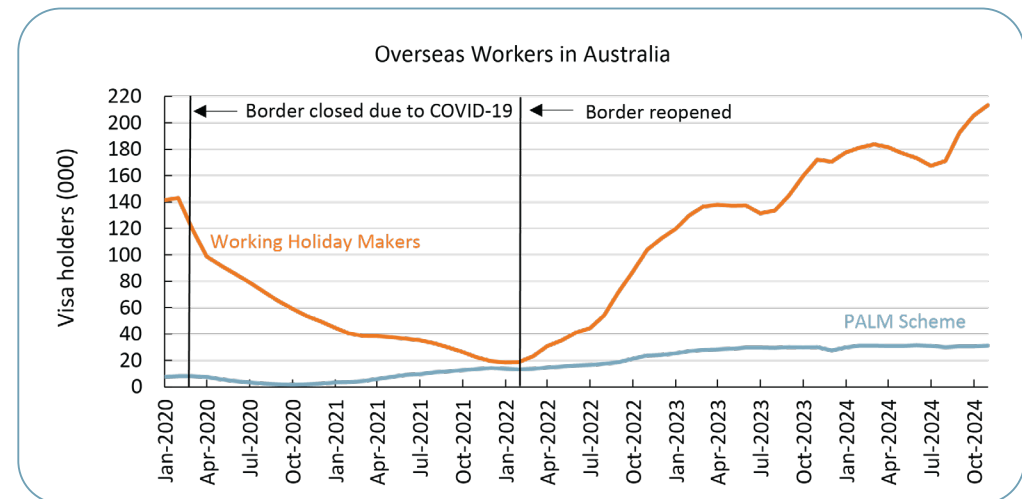
Source: [ABS 2024, Labour Force, Australia, Detailed](#)
In the year to November 2024, employment in agriculture decreased by 7,000 people (-2.7%) to 255,400 people.



Source: [ABS week-ending-15-june-2024, Weekly Payroll Jobs](#)
In the week ending 15 June 2024, agricultural payroll jobs decreased by 1.1% in the month since 18 May 2024, and decreased by 3.0% in the year since 17 June 2023. Agriculture has high numbers of owner operators who are not included in payroll reporting.

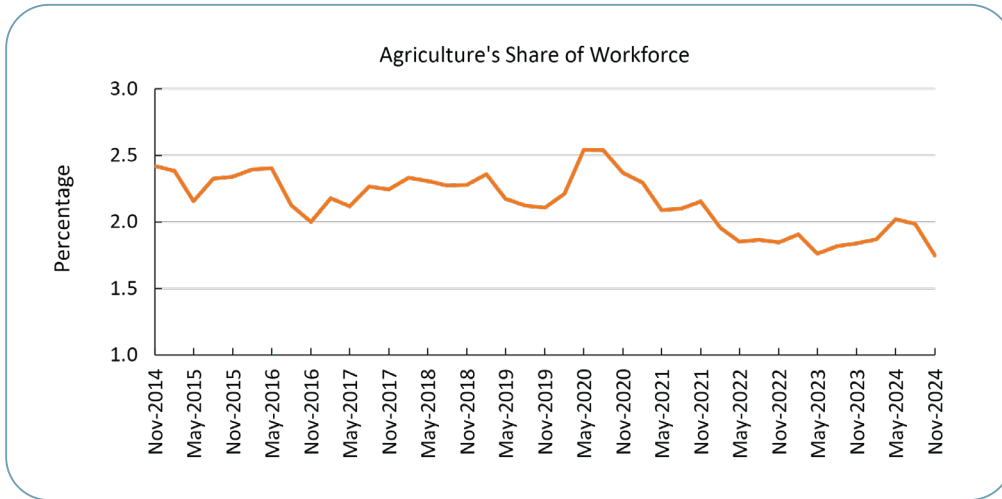


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In November 2024, Fruit and Tree Nut Growing, Nusery and Floriculture Production, Poultry Farming and Agriculture (not defined) registered an increase in employment from a decade earlier.



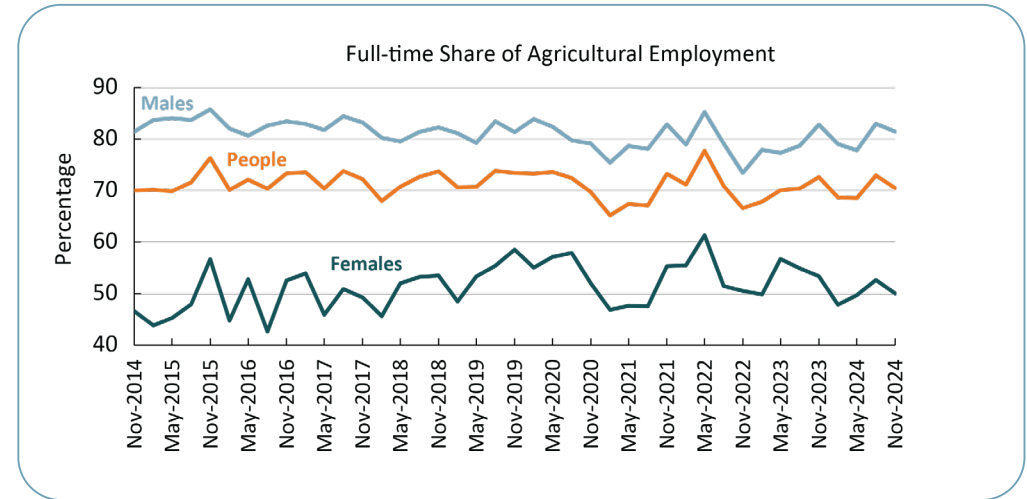
Source: Department of Home Affairs 2024
The number of working holiday makers declined sharply from over 140,000 visa holders to less than 20,000 visa holders between the closure of Australia's borders due to COVID-19 and their reopening. Their number has since increased to over 200,000 visa holders.

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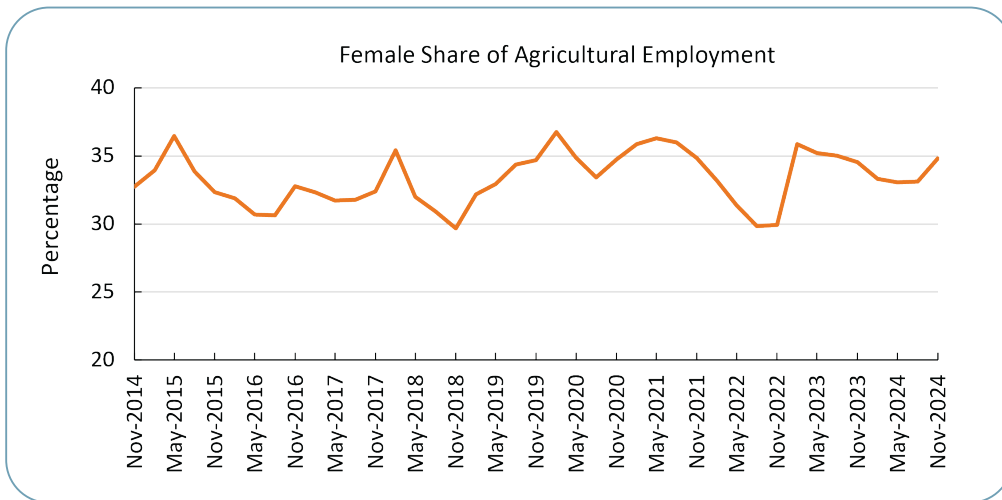
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In November 2024, agriculture's share of the total workforce fell to a new low of 1.7%.



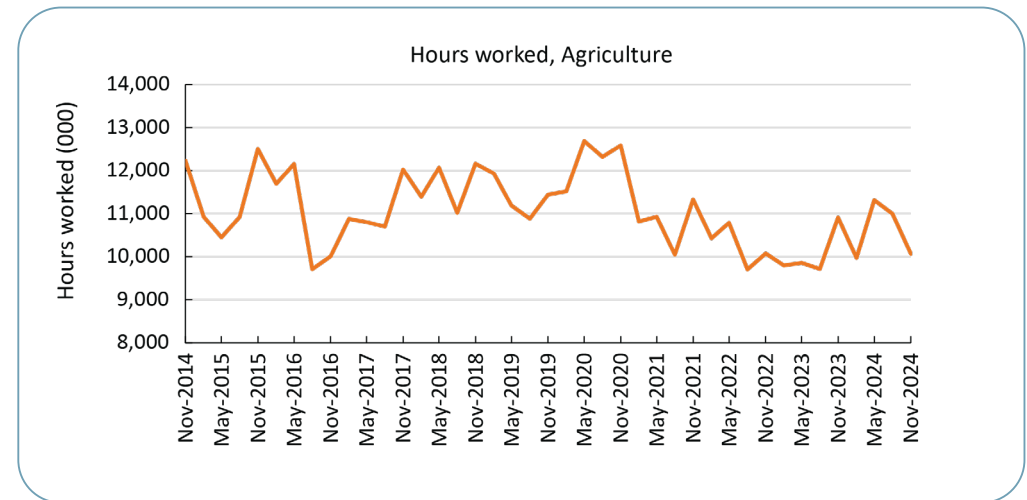
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In November 2024, the full-time share of employment in agriculture was 70.5%, down from 72.6% in November 2023, though little-changed from a decade earlier.



Source: [ABS 2024, Labour Force, Australia, Detailed](#)

The share of female workers in agriculture was 34.8% in November 2024, its highest level since August 2023.



Source: [ABS 2024, Labour Force, Australia, Detailed](#)

In the year to November 2024, monthly hours worked in agriculture decreased by 0.8 million hours (-7.8%) to 10.1 million hours.