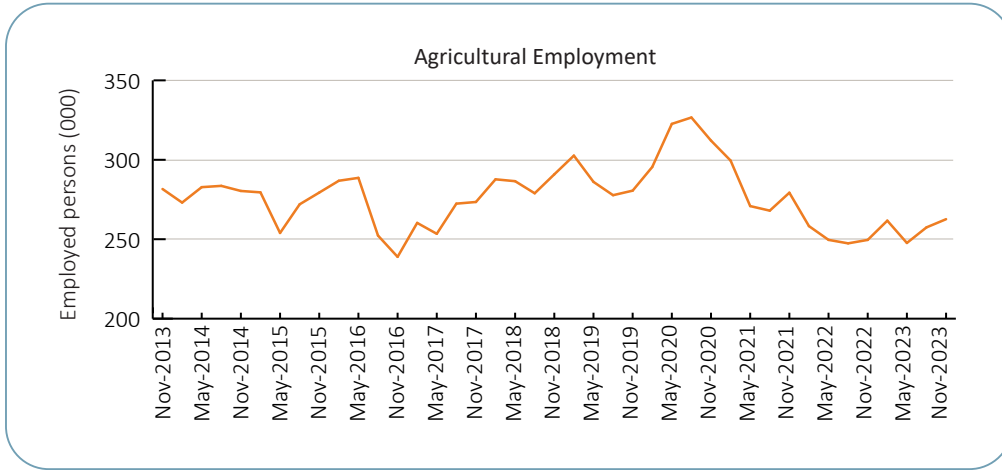


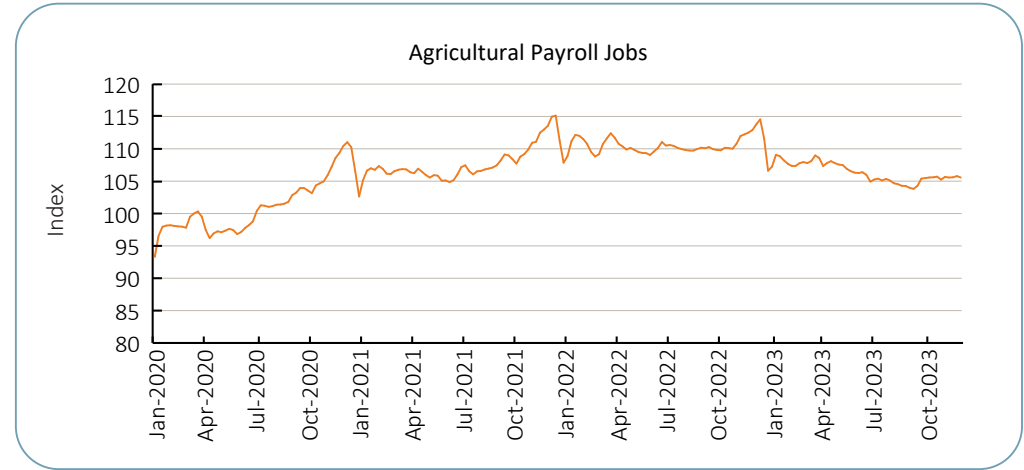


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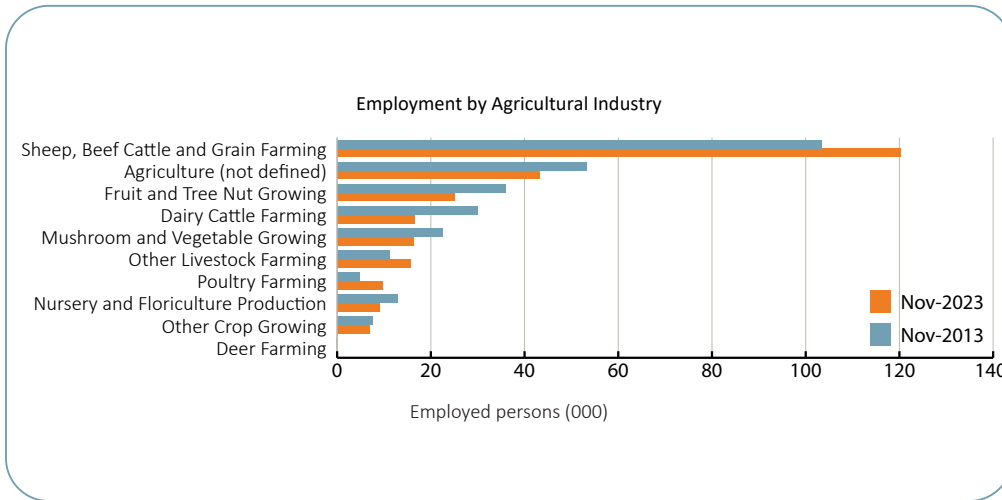
Highlight: In November 2023, in original terms, employment in agriculture was at its highest level in two years.



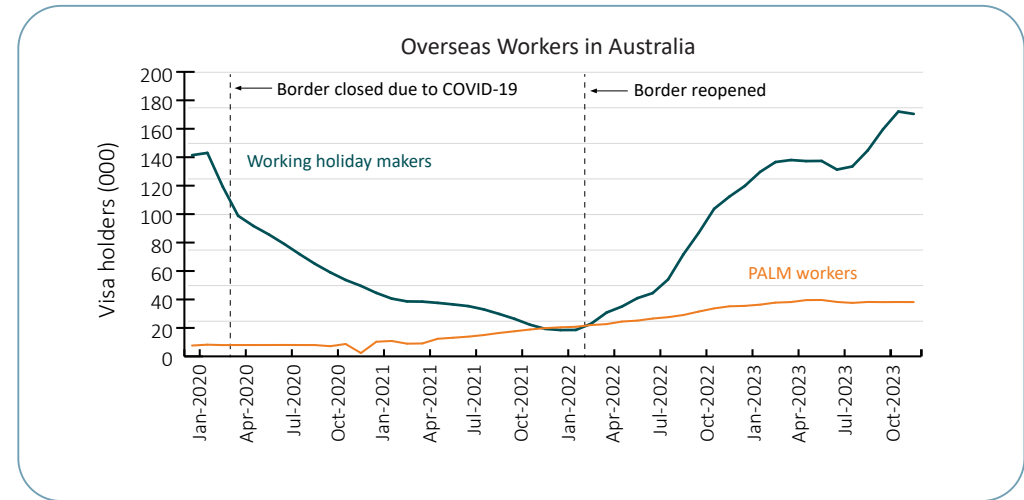
Source: ABS
The number of agricultural workers has decreased in recent years, from above 300,000 people employed during 2020 to 262,600 employed in November 2023. That said, employment in November was at its highest level in two years.



Source: ABS
An initial upward trend in payroll jobs was observed during 2020 and 2021. However, numbers plateaued during 2022, notwithstanding the end-of-year seasonal peak, and have since declined during 2023. Agriculture has high numbers of owner managers who are not included in payroll reporting.

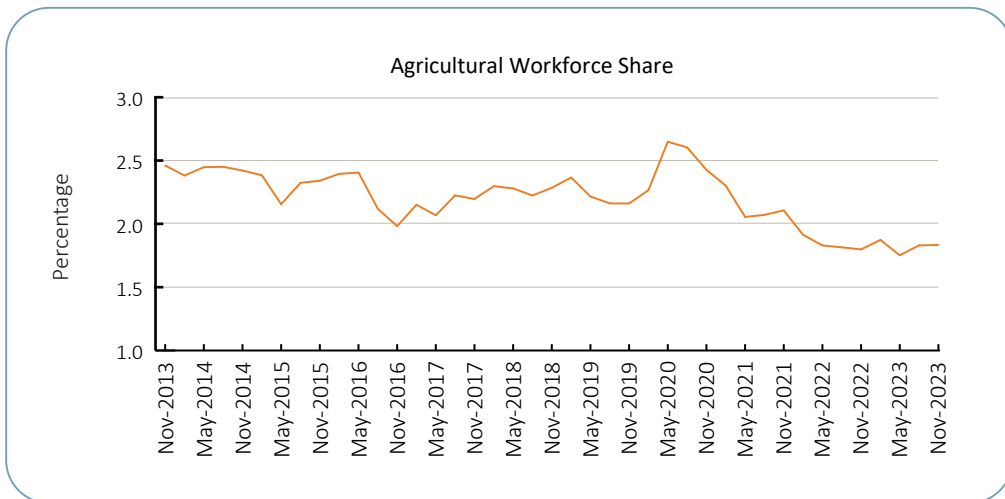


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In November 2023, Sheep, Beef Cattle and Grain Farming, Other Livestock Farming and Poultry Farming registered an increase in workers from a decade earlier.

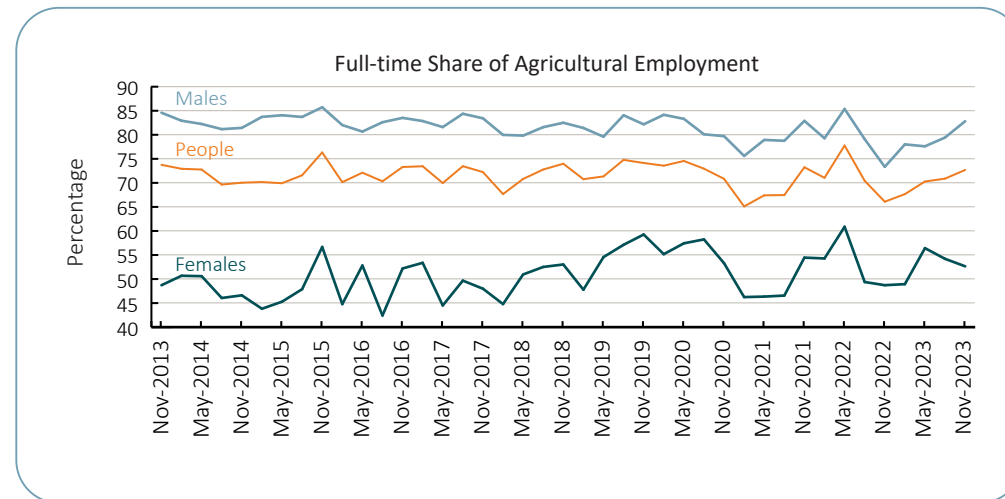


Source: DHA and DEWR
The number of working holiday makers declined steeply from 141,000 visa holders to 21,000 visa holders between the closure of Australia's borders due to COVID-19 and their reopening. Their number has since increased back to over 170,000 as of December 2023.

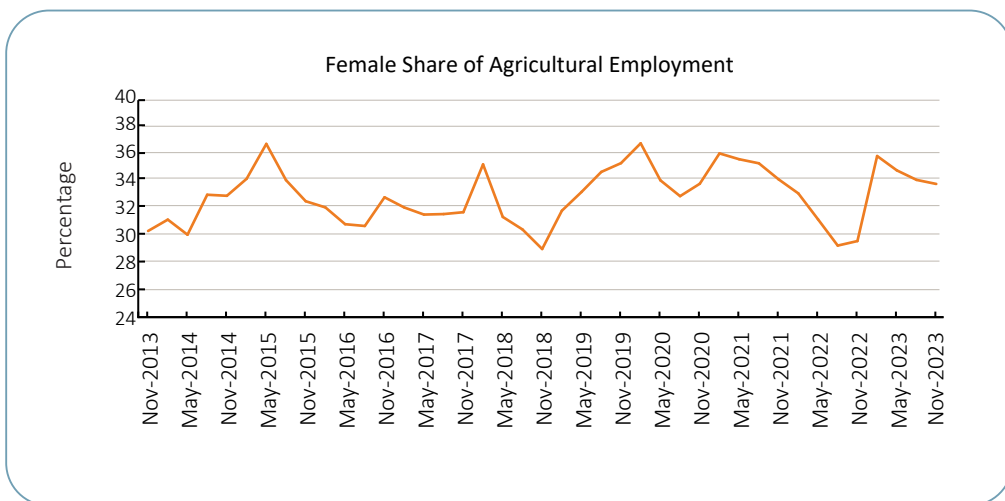
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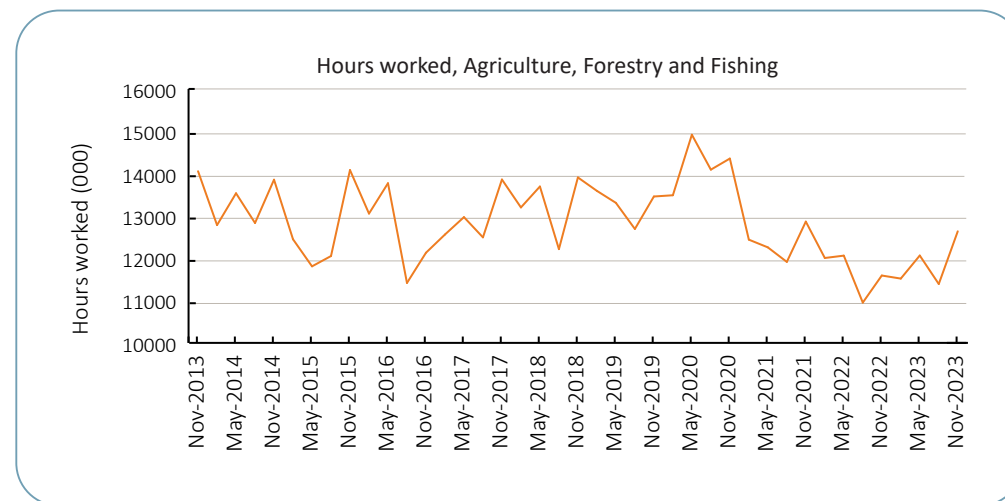
Source: ABS
Agriculture's share of the total workforce has gradually declined over the past decade, residing under 2% since 2022.



Source: ABS
The full-time share of male employment in agriculture has recovered from 73.3% in November 2022 to 82.8% in November 2023.



Source: ABS
The share of female workers in agriculture has fluctuated between 29% and 37% over the past decade.



Source: ABS
In November 2023, monthly hours worked in Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing increased to its highest level in two years.