

Tablelands (R) local government area work health and safety profile



Tablelands

Population	25,425	2017 ¹
	28,496	2031 ²
Workforce	8,571	2016 ³
	9,100	2022 ⁴



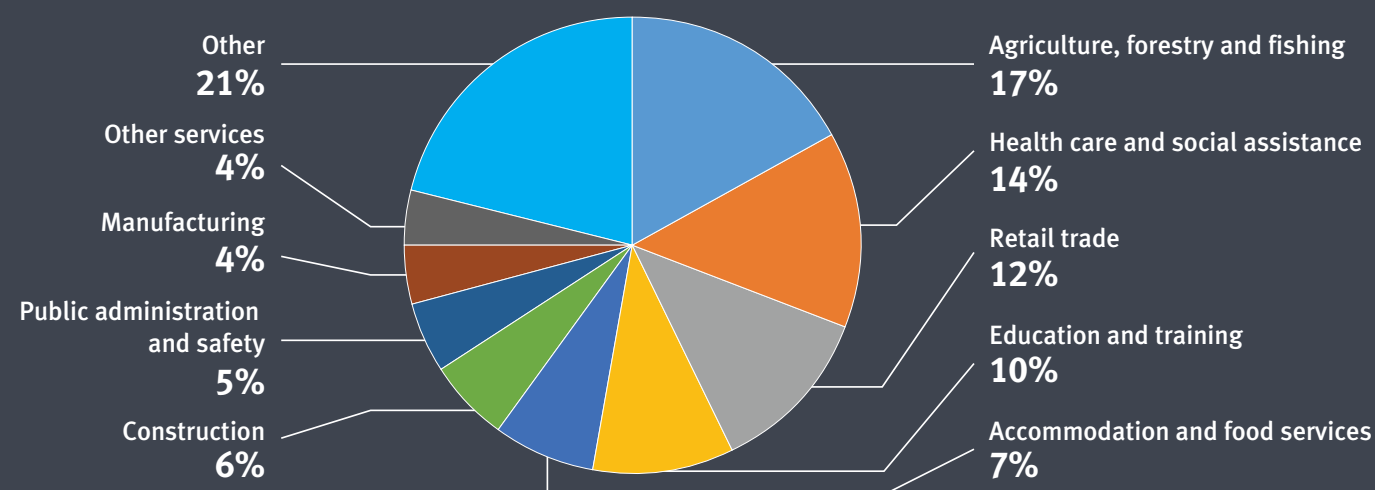
Workforce breakdown³

4,704	full-time workers
3,321	part-time workers
33.1%	blue collar workers
65.4%	white collar workers

Top five occupation groups³

1. Farmers and farm managers	8.2 %
2. Sales assistants and sales persons	7.5 %
3. Carers and aides	6.0 %
4. Farm forestry and garden workers	5.4 %
5. Education professionals	5.0 %

Biggest employing industries⁵



Notes:

1. Estimated resident population as at 30 June 2017, Source: ABS Cat 3218.0 Regional Population Growth, Australia.

2. Source: Population projection based on medium series, Queensland Government Population Projections, 2015 edition. (Population data reproduced in Queensland Regional Profiles: Resident Profile for Tablelands (R) Local Government Area, Queensland Government Statistician's Office, Queensland Treasury).

3. Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2016 (data reproduced in Queensland Regional Profiles: Workforce Profile for Tablelands (R) Local Government Area, Queensland Government Statistician's Office, Queensland Treasury).

4. Source: Projection based on Australian Government Department of Jobs and Small Business projected employment growth (medium term) to May 2022 for wider Cairns statistical area level 4, within which Tablelands LGA lies. (<http://lmp.gov.au/default.aspx?LMIP/EmploymentProjections>).

5. Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2016 (data reproduced in Queensland Regional Profiles: Workforce Profile for Tablelands (R) Local Government Area, Queensland Government Statistician's Office, Queensland Treasury).

Tablelands accepted workers' compensation claims (2014-15 to 2016-17)

Average no. accepted claims per year	338	(0.5% of Qld claims)
Average no. accepted fatality claims per year	1	(2.3% of Qld fatality claims)

Return to work rate at claim finalisation*

Tablelands	93.3%
Queensland	94%

93.3 per cent of injured workers in Tablelands returned to some form of employment (three year average). For Queensland overall, 94 per cent of injured workers returned to work.

Average work days lost per claim*

Tablelands	47 days
Queensland	45 days

Injured workers in Tablelands were off work for 47 days per claim on average, compared to the Queensland average of 45 days per claim.

*Note *based on accepted claims finalised between 2014-15 and 2016-17.*









Includes on-duty claims with one or more workdays absent.

Workers' compensation claims by workers in high risk industries

Agriculture, forestry and fishing had the highest number of claims per year – 73 claims on average over the three years 2014-15 to 2016-17. Manufacturing had the second highest number of claims per year – 37 claims on average over the three years.

The highest claim rates were recorded for workers in the manufacturing industry (128.7 claims per 1,000 workers), followed by agriculture, forestry and fishing (82.1 claims per 1,000 workers). The industries with the highest average statutory costs per claim were construction (\$19,288) and retail trade (\$17,274).

High risk industries ranked by average number of finalised claims per year, 2014-15 to 2016-17

	High risk industry	Qld average number of claims per year	Tablelands average number of claims per year	Tablelands claim rate (claims per 1,000 workers)	Qld claim rate (claims per 1,000 workers)	Tablelands average yearly statutory costs	Tablelands average statutory costs per claim
	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1,740	73	82.1	46.8	\$719,211	\$9,897
	Manufacturing	10,284	37	128.7	85.6	\$345,454	\$9,421
	Retail trade	5,597	31	32.8	28.2	\$529,737	\$17,274
	Health care and social assistance	7,945	25	22.3	30.4	\$374,767	\$14,991
	Construction	7,673	18	53.4	50.4	\$347,187	\$19,288
	Transport, postal and warehousing	4,030	9	53.6	41.3	\$157,862	\$16,914
	Wholesale trade	3,052	5	47.6	57.0	\$28,119	\$5,272
	All industries	65,420	338	48.9	34.2	\$3,645,445	\$10,796

Source: QEIDB, finalised employee claims as at 20 June 2018.

Tablelands accepted and finalised workers' compensation claims (2014-15 to 2016-17)

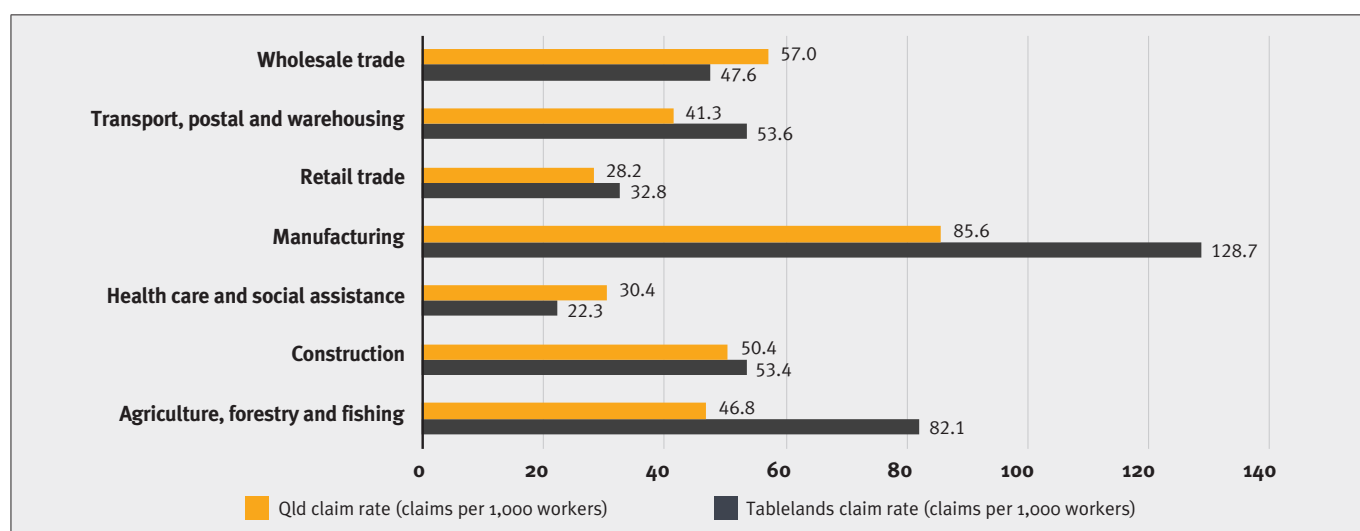
Top five high risk occupations

1. Other labourers	13%
2. Mobile plant operators	12%
3. Farm, forestry and garden workers	11%
4. Protective service workers	6%
5. Automotive and engineering trades workers	6%

Top five agencies of injury

1. Non-powered hand tools, appliances and equipment	27%
2. Environmental agencies, incl. traffic and ground surfaces, vegetation	17%
3. Materials and substances, incl. metal and fragments	13%
4. Animal, human and biological agencies, incl. people, horses and dogs	11%
5. Mobile plant and transport, including road transport	10%

Workers' compensation claim rates by industry, Tablelands and Queensland (Claims finalised per 1,000 workers)



Top five mechanisms of injury

	1. Body stressing	30%
	2. Falls, trips and slips of a person	19%
	3. Hitting objects with a part of the body	17%
	4. Being hit by moving objects	17%
	5. Vehicle incidents and other	9%

Source: QEIDB finalised employee claims, 20 June 2018.



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