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Jobs on offer for Tasmanians

There has never been a better time for Tasmanians in need of work to roll the sleeves up and help our vital primary industries, while gaining new skills and experience in the process.

There are hundreds of jobs available right now ahead of the upcoming planting, production and harvest seasons, and Tasmanians are being prioritised for jobs in the industry.

This is a great opportunity for Tasmanians to earn hundreds of dollars a week, while gaining valuable skills and experience.

While our focus is on getting Tasmanians to fill these jobs, we do understand the concerns of the industry and we are actively working on contingency plans, within COVID-safe parameters, to ensure we have a harvest ready workforce.

The Government has formally expressed interest in opting into the Federal Government's Seasonal Worker Program. At the same time both DPIPW and DPAC are actively engaged with public health to facilitate the safe movement of people from non-affected areas of mainland Australia and understand the best model for quarantine arrangements.

Our absolute top priority is to get as many Tasmanians as possible to fill these positions.

For more information on the types of seasonal work opportunities that are available, the best place to start looking for work, skills development and training, and careers in agriculture – go to the DPIPW Harvest Jobs website at <https://dpipw.tas.gov.au/agriculture/harvest-jobs> or call FarmPoint on 1300 292 292.