

INQUIRY INTO SKILLS SHORTAGES IN RURAL AND REGIONAL NSW

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The Association views the following as impediments to the provision of skills in Rural and Regional NSW: -

- Legislative, e.g. more stringent OHS laws, requirement for farmers to implement environmental improvements/enhancement.
- The drought has seen a loss of skill to bigger regional centres or cities.
- Low award wages for apprenticeships does not allow for an apprentice to have an adequate wage to exist. Many parents are required to assist (rent, phone etc) especially when the apprenticeship is too far away from family home for the apprentice to reside there.
- Stigma of apprenticeships over tertiary education for the past ten to twenty years.
- Dismissal laws

Kind regards

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