

Worksheet 2a

Sustainability in the dairy industry



The Australian dairy industry is committed to providing nutritious food for a healthier world. Through the Australian Dairy Sustainability Framework, the industry reports on progress and upholds commitments to our people, the community's wellbeing, animal care and the environment. Use the links provided to research each of the four sustainability commitments. Record the industry's sustainability goals that apply to each commitment in the space provided.

Enhancing economic viability and livelihoods

dairy.com.au/industry-and-sustainability/enhancing-livelihoods

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Improve wellbeing of people

dairy.com.au/sustainability/improving-wellbeing

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Providing best care for animals

dairy.com.au/industry-and-sustainability/best-care-for-animals

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Reducing environmental impact

dairy.com.au/industry-and-sustainability/reducing-environmental-impact

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Access Dairy Australia's 2023 Sustainability Report to analyse the industry's progress on their 2030 sustainability goals. Read the selected target progress statements below (right). Draw lines to connect them to the commitment they align to.

dairy.com.au/sustainability/sustainability-framework-reports-and-scorecards

Enhancing economic viability and livelihoods

Improve wellbeing of people

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Reducing environmental impact

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96% of dairy farmers have implemented practices to reduce greenhouse gases.

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79% of Australians think dairy is essential for their good health and well-being.

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100% of dairy farmers access antibiotics from a registered vet (2019).

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96% of farmers, where relevant, have infrastructure to keep cows cool.

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In 2022/23, the total value of payments made to dairy farmers rose 24% to \$6.1 billion.

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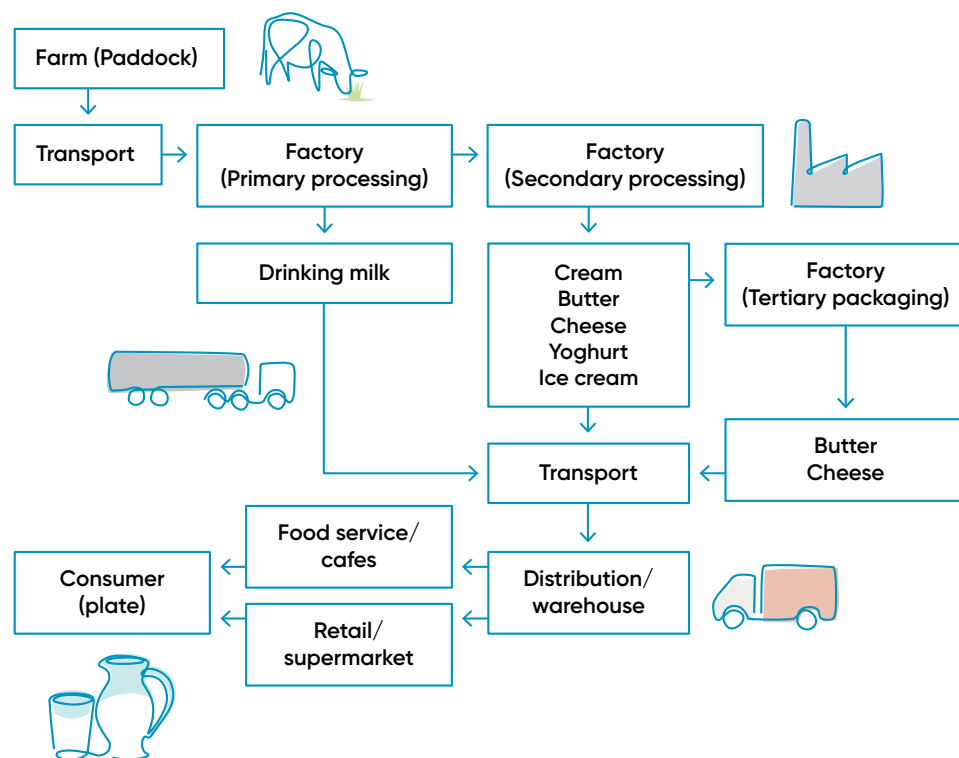
89% of farms use renewable energy.

Worksheet 2b

Sustainability along the supply chain



Consider the sustainability impacts along the dairy supply chain.



Use the following resources to learn about sustainability initiatives at different stages along the dairy supply chain. Conduct research to learn about additional issues and initiatives.

Food waste

dairyaustralia.com.au/manufacturingsupport/manufacturing-sustainability/dairy-sector-food-waste-action-plan

Packaging

dairyaustralia.com.au/resource-repository/2021/12/23/australian-dairy-sustainable-packaging-roadmap

Effluent management

dairyaustralia.com.au/soils-and-water/effluent-management

Water management

dairyaustralia.com.au/soils-and-water/water-management

Greenhouse gas emissions

dairyaustralia.com.au/climate-and-environment/greenhouse-gas-emissions

Soil management

dairyaustralia.com.au/soils-and-water/soil-management-and-fertility

Employment

thepeopleindairy.org.au

Farm systems

dairyaustralia.com.au/feeding-and-farm-systems

Worksheet 2b

Sustainability along the supply chain



Identify possible sustainability focus areas at the various stages of the supply chain listed below.

Farm	Transport/distribution	Factory	Food service & retail	Consumer