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# AMIC's Key Priorities

- Access to Labour
- Animal Welfare
- Market Access
- Food Regulations
- Energy Efficiency
- Small Business Management

# Access to Labour

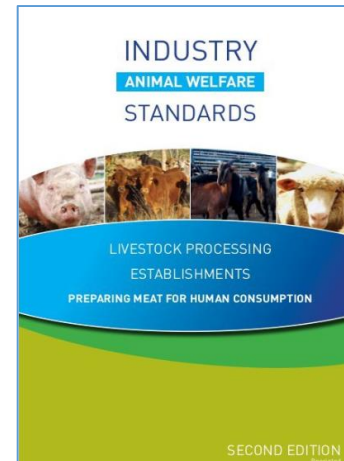
- The Australian meat industry directly supports 100,000 jobs in Australia
- Labour account's for more than half of a business's cost to operate
- On going labour deficits, difficult to fill job vacancies
- Visa program reform
- Inadequate funding for training

# Animal Welfare



- AMIC are committed to stringent and accountable animal welfare practices across the supply chain.
  - National Animal Welfare Standard for Livestock at processing establishments
  - AAWCS Gap Analysis Program
  - AAWCS Standard Review

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# Market Access

- Free Trade Agreements (FTA) are essential to gaining market access and there have been some good wins on this front in recent years.
- Strengthening International trade relationships
- Technical support regarding compliance with:
  - Regulatory requirements
  - Labelling requirements
  - Food safety codes
  - Animal welfare



# Food Regulations

- The red meat industry's food safety reputation is built on a strong framework of legislation, industry and government programs.
- AMIC are continuing to work with key stakeholders to ensure regulations are met to ensure the safety, quality and integrity of Australian produce.



# Energy Efficiency

- Energy cost and supply is one of the most significant and pressing concern for our members, who are dealing with increasing costs, limited energy competition and restrictions around implementing cheaper and more sustainable options.
- Energy policy
- Innovation
- Review of market structure and rules of energy supply
- Australian Agricultural Manufacturers Alliance  
[www.agmanufacturing.com.au](http://www.agmanufacturing.com.au)

# Small Business Management

- Supporting the small businesses that are the backbone of our industry is critical to ensuring the overall health of our supply chain. Resources, tools and advocacy are essential to ensure our members are best placed to thrive in tomorrow's sector.
- Council of small business Associations of Australia
- Advocating on issues such as energy, taxation, payroll and retail tenancies.



# Meat Business Women



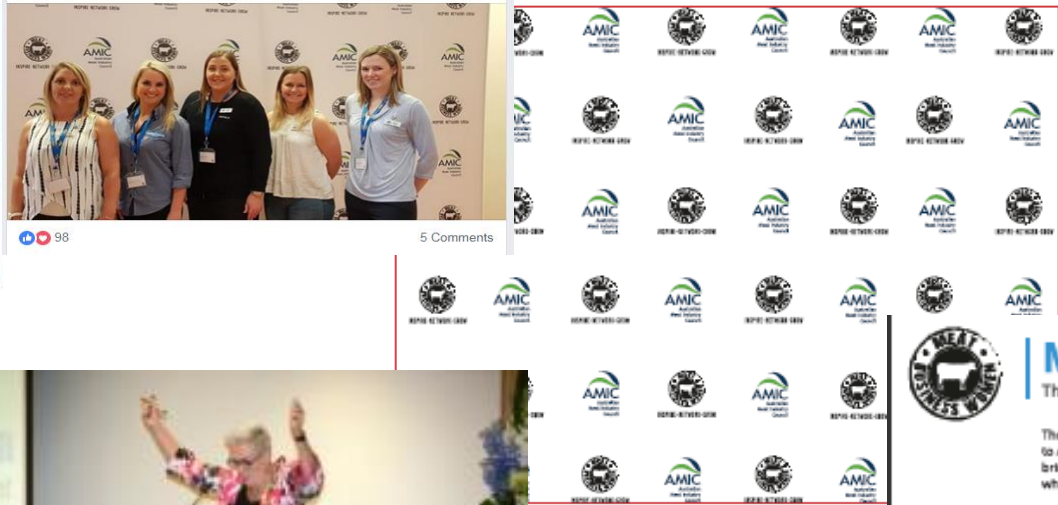
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## MEAT BUSINESS WOMEN LAUNCH EVENT

### EVENT PROGRAM

3 April 2019  
Park Royal Hotel  
Melbourne Airport



## QUEENSLAND Country Life

### Women must shape the future of the meat industry, trailblazing conference told

Vernon Graham  
5 Apr 2019, 12:30 p.m.



## Meat Business Women

The professional networking group for women in the meat industry

The Australian Meat Industry Council is proud to be bringing Meat Business Women (MBW) to Australian shores. Initially established in the UK, this ground-breaking networking group brings together women from across the meat supply chain, including processors, wholesalers, retailers and smallgoods manufacturers.

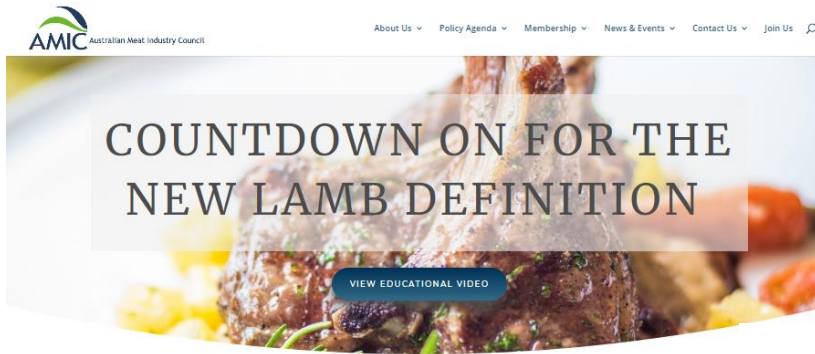
We are excited to be providing this initiative to improve networking, develop the image and culture of the industry, and to attract and nurture female entrants into the sector.

For further information about the initiative and upcoming events see [www.amic.org.au/mbw](http://www.amic.org.au/mbw)

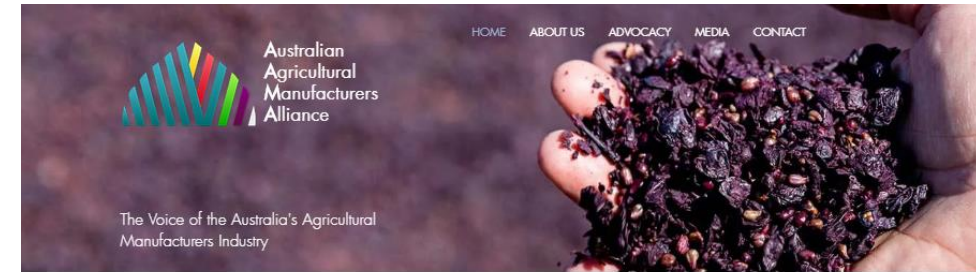


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# Websites



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**Our Work**  
Find out what AMIC is doing to increase the profitability and sustainability of our industry.

**Our Industry**  
The post-farm-gate meat industry in Australia employs tens of thousands of people.

**Become a Member**  
Members enjoy resources, representation, events, and industry news. Join us today!

**AMIC is the peak body representing retailers, processors and smallgoods manufacturers across the country.**

The Australian Meat Industry Council exists for a clear reason: to help our members achieve and maintain profitability in a world that has never seen more change.

We're here to be a powerful voice for our industry. We're here to ensure our members are recognised for the crucial role they play in the agribusiness supply chain. We're here to support our members to continue creating jobs in Australia and to continue to feed the Australian economy.

[amic.org.au](http://amic.org.au)

**AAWCS**

The Australian Meat Industry Council (AMIC) is the industry's peak body representing livestock processors and independent retailers. AMIC is committed to the highest level of animal welfare, and humane treatment of livestock.

For this reason AMIC, in collaboration with the Australian Meat Processor Corporation (AMPC) and AUS-MEAT Limited, developed the 'Australian Livestock Processing Industry Animal Welfare Certification System' or AAWCS.

AAWCS is an independently audited certification program used by livestock processors to demonstrate compliance with the industry best practice animal welfare standards from receipt of livestock, to the point of humane processing.



**WHY AAMA**

Agriculture is in a very strong position in Australia, commodity prices are strong now and are expected to stay that way long into the future. Proper recognition and leveraging of the high-level business capabilities of manufacturers within the Supply Chain will help sustain the Industry.

Manufacturers and processors across the wide range of agricultural products add enormous value to Australia's economy. Yet they largely share the same challenges. In particular:

- A reversal of the massive energy price increases seen over the past two years
- Security of supply
- Policy certainty, especially as it relates to the NEG
- Challenges in realising the full value of new generation power sources
- Planning permissions
- Working with brokers

What was needed was an alliance that would advocate for the agricultural industry. The Australian Agricultural Manufacturers Alliance (AAMA) was formed, representing over 100,000 jobs and in excess of \$40bn contribution to the Australian economy.

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# Any Questions?

