

WORKING HOLIDAY MAKER VISA REVIEW

We are a farm outside of Bundaberg and use mostly backpackers as our labour force. In our view, most farms in Bundaberg use backpackers. If this new tax is passed, the majority of backpackers will no longer want to work for us or any other farm which will disadvantage the entire farming community. We have found that Australian's do not want to work as they are able to get more money from Centrelink.

It is extremely important that backpackers continue to come to regional Australia where they work, live and spend money which helps the economy.

We would urge the Government not to pass this new tax as it will cause great hardship for all farmers and regional Australia.