GENDER ROLES & EQUALITY IN AGRIBUSINESS

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About this Survey

AgCareers.com conducted the Gender Roles & Equality in Agribusiness survey in the summer of 2015. The survey collected information about the roles men and women play in the agricultural industry. Questions examined topics such as compensation, benefits, work/life balance, equality and advocacy. Analysis of results identifies similarities and discrepancies between genders. Responses were collected in an online poll format, with 2,199 people responding.

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Gender

36% Men
64% Women

Education Level

Doctorate 5%
Master’s 19%
Bachelor’s 52%
Associate’s 10%
Skill/Trade Cert. 5%
High School 9%

Years of Experience

-1 5%
1-5 24%
6-10 17%
11-15 11%
16-20 10%
21-25 9%
26+ 24%

Country of Residence

70% from the United States
25% from Canada
Another 5% resided in various international countries.
79% of women feel there is gender inequality in agribusiness. Just 47% of men feel the same.

79% of men surveyed said they felt they were respected and treated equally in their workplace while 17% of women felt they were not as respected as their male coworkers.
Data shows a difference between genders in terms of management and higher level roles in agricultural organizations.

There was a significantly higher percentage of men in a President/CEO role, Director and Management positions.

There were significantly less men than women in hourly and salaried staff, as well as student/trainee/intern roles.*

*However this does correlate to findings that there were a higher percentage of men with more years of experience and higher salaries among survey respondents.
HALF of women surveyed said they had experienced blunt sexism or discrimination based on their gender in the workplace.

"DO YOU ASPIRE TO WORK IN A HIGHER LEVEL ROLE WITHIN THE NEXT 5-10 YEARS?"

- Yes, I hope to advance to a higher level position one day.
  - Women: 70%
  - Men: 60%
- No, I am content where I am.
  - Women: 16%
  - Men: 26%
- Undecided or Unsure
  - Women: 7%
  - Men: 7%
- Not Applicable
  - Women: 7%
  - Men: 8%

"ARE YOU WILLING TO RELOCATE FOR A CAREER ADVANCEMENT?"

- 75% of women said yes
- 75% of men said yes

1/3 of women feel that their performance would be reviewed better if they were male.
42% of female respondents feel they are “the breadwinner” in their household while 72% of male respondents consider themselves to be.

49% of women felt they would be better compensated if they were male.

73% of men felt they would be paid the same if they were female, alluding that gender did not matter.

How does perception compare to reality?
All respondents were asked for their current base salary. Responses indicate a disparity in pay between genders, with men typically earning more than women in agribusiness.

There was a significantly higher percentage of men than women earning $70,000+.

In contrast, there was a significantly lower percentage of men than women earning below $50,000.
"I agree that being a working parent has sometimes made it difficult to advance or commit to my career."

WOMEN

- Health Insurance
- Flexible Hours
- 401K/Retirement
- Bonus
- Maternity Leave

MEN

- Health Insurance
- 401K/Retirement
- Flexible Hours
- Bonus
- Vehicle

Would you rate your employer’s work/life/family balance accommodations as excellent?

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76% 48%
IN AGRICULTURE

80% of both men and women felt that the attitude toward women in agribusiness had changed for the better in the past decade.

BUT MORE THAN 70% of women still feel outnumbered by men in agribusiness.
MORE THAN 90% of both men and women said that they frequently advocate for the agricultural industry.

**TOP 3 SKILLS/CHARACTERISTICS YOU FEEL YOU BRING TO THE INDUSTRY:**

**MEN**
- Leadership: 63%
- Dependability: 55%
- A Moral Compass: 33%

**WOMEN**
- Dependability: 56%
- Leadership: 51%
- Advocacy: 31%

“I AGREE THAT WOMEN ARE SUFFICIENTLY REPRESENTED IN AGRICULTURE.”

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