

Tropical banana information kit

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This publication has been reprinted as a digital book without any changes to the content published in 1998. We advise readers to take particular note of the areas most likely to be out-of-date and so requiring further research:

- Chemical recommendations—check with an agronomist or Infopest www.infopest.qld.gov.au
- Financial information—costs and returns listed in this publication are out of date. Please contact an adviser or industry body to assist with identifying more current figures.
- Varieties—new varieties are likely to be available and some older varieties may no longer be recommended. Check with an agronomist, call the Business Information Centre on 13 25 23, visit our website www.deedi.qld.gov.au or contact the industry body.
- Contacts—many of the contact details may have changed and there could be several new contacts available. The industry organisation may be able to assist you to find the information or services you require.
- Organisation names—most government agencies referred to in this publication have had name changes. Contact the Business Information Centre on 13 25 23 or the industry organisation to find out the current name and contact details for these agencies.
- Additional information—many other sources of information are now available for each crop. Contact an agronomist, Business Information Centre on 13 25 23 or the industry organisation for other suggested reading.

Even with these limitations we believe this information kit provides important and valuable information for intending and existing growers.

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Contacts & **REFERENCES**

Want more information? This section helps direct you to the other important providers and sources of banana information. The Contacts directory contains the names and contact details of people and organisations serving the banana industry. The References section contains a list of information that is useful reading for anyone involved in the industry.

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Contacts

Names are provided solely for assisting readers to make contact. Inclusion of a person or organisation does not constitute an endorsement by the Department of Primary Industries or the authors, nor does it endorse a particular person or organisation over others not mentioned.

This section is as up-to-date as possible at the time of printing. If you supply special services to the banana industry you may provide your details for consideration. Please forward your details to Agrilink, Department of Primary Industries, PO Box 5269 SCMC, Nambour QLD 4560. Phone: (07) 5444 9690; Facsimile: (07) 5444 9694; Int Code: +61 7

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Banana grower associations

The Australian Banana Growers' Council is the specialist grower organisation which services banana growers throughout Australia. This organisation is the peak industry body providing industry representation on national issues, organising levy collection and providing a range of services. The secretary for the organisation is:

Australian Banana Growers' Council

PO Box 414
BRISBANE QLD 4001
Ph: (07) 3220 0407; Fax: (07) 3221 5182
e-mail: kmabgc@odyssey.com.au
www.abgc.org.au/

The industry development officer for the banana industry is attached to the Australian Banana Growers Council Inc.

Kim McMeeken
PO Box 414
BRISBANE QLD 4001
Ph: (07) 3229 6360; Fax: (07) 3221 5182
e-mail: kmabgc@odyssey.com.au

In Queensland, banana growers are represented on the Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers (QFVG) through the Banana Sectional Group Committee. Names of district delegates to the subcommittee are available from:

Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers

PO Box 19
BRISBANE MARKET QLD 4106
Ph: (07) 3213 2444; Fax: (07) 3213 2480
e-mail: qfvg@qfvg.org.au
www.qfvg.org.au

The Growers' Access Line numbers are:
Ph: 1800 654 222; Fax: 1800 650 196

The BSGC employs a banana industry liaison officer based in Tully to service tropical banana production areas.

North Queensland Banana Growers Liaison Officer

PO Box 422
TULLY QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4068 2255; Fax: (07) 4068 2250

Banana Industry Protection Board

DPI
80 Ann Street
BRISBANE QLD 4000
Ph: (07) 3239 3233; Fax: (07) 3239 3379

Organic grower associations

Note: These organisations do not have the resources to provide a general advisory service about organic fruit production. Their main function is to provide information about certification standards and processes. Special services are also provided to members after joining. Kits containing information on membership and certification standards and processes are available for purchase.

Biological Farmers of Australia (BFA)

PO Box 3404
TOOWOOMBA VILLAGE FAIR QLD 4350
Ph: (07) 4639 3299; Fax: (07) 4639 3755
e-mail: bfa@icr.com.au

Bio-Dynamic Agricultural Association of Australia

c/- Post Office
POWELLTOWN VIC 3797
Ph: (03) 5966 7333; Fax: (03) 5966 7433

National Association for Sustainable Agriculture Australia Ltd (NASAA)

PO Box 768
STIRLING SA 5152
Ph: (08) 8370 8455; Fax: (08) 8370 8381
e-mail: nassa@dove.mpt.net.au

The Organic Food Chain Pty Ltd

PO Box 2390
TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350
Ph/Fax: (07) 4637 2600

QBAN registered banana nurseries

Contact the DPI Plant Health Inspectors at the Centre for Wet Tropics Agriculture at South Johnstone to obtain a list of currently registered QBAN nurseries.

Slocombe's QBAN Nursery

Little Mulgrave Road
GORDONVALE QLD 4865
Ph: (07) 4056 2391; Fax: (07) 4056 3630

K & R Fruits

Keith & Rhonda Morris
20 Briggs Street
TULLY QLD 4854
Ph/Fax: (07) 4068 1469 or Ph: (07) 4068 6200

Mission Beach Tissue Culture Nursery

Steve Lavis
PO Box 326
MISSION BEACH QLD 4852
Ph: (07) 4068 8559; Fax: (07) 4068 8634

Safculture

PO Box 791
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph/Fax: (07) 4061 1915; Mobile: 0412 195 491

Planting material suppliers

Contact the DPI plant health inspectors at the Centre for Wet Tropics Agriculture at South Johnstone (Ph: (07) 4064 3911), to obtain a list of currently registered planting material suppliers.

Plant, soil and water testing laboratories

Agritech Laboratory Services

PO Box 549
214 McDougall Street
TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350
Ph: (07) 4633 0599; Fax: (07) 4633 0711

Crop Tech Laboratories Pty Ltd

MS 305
Langbeckers Road
BUNDABERG QLD 4670
Ph: (07) 4155 6344; Fax: (07) 4155 6656
e-mail: CROPTech@b130.aone.net.au

Dr W. Holloway

14 Enterprise Street
BUNDABERG QLD 4670
Ph: (07) 4153 1440; Fax: (07) 4153 5247

Incitec Ltd

PO Box 140
MORNINGSIDE QLD 4170
Ph: (07) 3867 9300; Fax: (07) 3867 9310

Pest management consultants

Cropwatch Information Services

Paul Edwards
PO Box 109
WANGAN QLD 4871
Ph: (07) 4064 4203; Mobile: 018 184 672; Fax: (07) 4064 4206

Scientific Advisory Services Pty Ltd

Richard Piper

PO Box 1056

TULLY QLD 4854

Mobile: 0417 644 660; Fax: (07) 4065 4991; A/H Ph: (07) 4065 4975

email: sas@znet.net.au

FitzGerald Horticultural Consultancy

Shane FitzGerald

PO Box 375

TULLY QLD 4854

Ph: (07) 4066 7744; Mobile: 0419 656 251; Fax: (07) 4066 7664

email: fitz@znet.net.au

Jeff Watson

PO Box 384

MAREEBA QLD 4880

Ph/Fax: (07) 4092 4059

Special contract services

Planting/desuckering**Steve Butcher**

PO Box 800

TULLY QLD 4860

Ph: (07) 4068 2373; Fax: (07) 4068 3188

Bell injecting/bunch covering**Clark's Contracting Service**

Graham Clark

MS 216

Gregory Falls Road

EAST PALMERSTON QLD 4860

Ph.: (07) 4064 5182

Aerial spraying and fertiliser spreading**Blanch's Aerial Agriculture**

Cardstone Road

TULLY QLD 4854

Ph: (07) 4068 2224; Fax: (07) 4068 2894

INGHAM QLD 4850

Ph: (07) 4776 2767; Fax: (07) 4776 3335

Mobile numbers: 0418 182 076; 0418 774 470

Helispray NQ Pty Ltd

Brett Wilson

INNISFAIL QLD 4860

Ph: (07) 4064 2833; Fax: (07) 4064 2814; Mobile: 019 490 075

Liddles Aerial Spraying Pty Ltd

Scougall Road
TULLY QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4068 2030; Fax: (07) 4068 2364

Moore's Airspray

INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4064 2445; Fax: (07) 4064 2372

Tableland Air Service

John Alders
PO Box 648
ATHERTON QLD 4883
Ph: (07) 4091 4854; A/H: (07) 4091 2854; Fax: (07) 4091 4195

Lime spreading services

Miriwinni Pulverised Lime

Bucklands Road
MIRRIWINI QLD 4871
Ph: (07) 4067 6133

North Queensland Spreading Services

BABINDA QLD 4861
Ph: (07) 4067 1469

INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 7011

TULLY QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4068 3150

Limephos Enterprises Pty Ltd

7 Equestrian Drive
TOLGA QLD 4882
Ph: (07) 4095 4196; Fax: (07) 4095 4585

Tranearth

PO Box 52
EURAMO QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4066 7868

Fertiliser suppliers

Frank Lowe & Sons

1 Dickson Road
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 7866; Fax: (07) 4061 7844

Grow Force Australia

229 Kern Street
GORDONVALE QLD 4865
Ph: (07) 4056 1977

Grow Force Australia

8 Laurie Street
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 1066

Grow Force Australia

Hewitt Siding
TULLY QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4068 1002

Incitec

5 Dutton Street
CAIRNS QLD 4870
Ph: (07) 4050 7100

International Mineral Consultants Pty Ltd

Also trading as Pacific Mineral Developments Pty Ltd (Minplus)
Palmerston Highway
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4064 4118; Fax: (07) 4064 4131

Japoonvale Fertilisers & Transport

Silkwood Road
JAPOONVALE QLD 4871
Ph: (07) 4065 5123 or (07) 4065 5185

Primac Limited Rural Merchandising Centre

114 Palmerston Highway
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 1311

Frank Sauer & Sons

8 Anderson Street
TULLY QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4068 1739

Babinda Rural Supplies

109 Howard Kennedy Drive
BABINDA QLD 4861
Ph: (07) 4067 1205

Wesfarmers-Dalgetys

Steele Street
EL ARISH QLD 4855
Ph: (07) 4068 5196; Fax: (07) 4068 5057

Summit Fertilisers

Bruce Highway
TULLY QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4068 1695

AMAG

PO Box 784
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 6011; Mobile: 015 029 103; Fax: (07) 4061 6995

Pivot Ltd

MIRRIWINI QLD 4871
Mobile: 0418 570 954; A/H: (07) 4067 6446

General consultancy services

Piccone Horticultural Consultancy Pty Ltd/Piccone PHC

201 Bruce Highway
EDMONTON QLD 4869
Ph: (07) 4045 3277; Mobile: 0417 616 476; Fax: (07) 4045 3613
e-mail: piccone1@internetnorth.com.au

Agrisearch Services Pty Ltd

Bill Farnsworth
1/35 Station Street
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph/Fax: (07) 4061 7470

FitzGerald Horticultural Consultancy

Shane FitzGerald
PO Box 375
TULLY QLD 4854
Ph/Fax: (07) 4066 7744; Mobile: 041 965 6251
email: fitz@znet.net.au

Coastal Crop Consultants

27 Wilson Street
EL ARISH QLD 4855
Ph: (07) 4068 5304

Cropwatch Information Services

Paul Edwards
Henderson Drive
WANGAN QLD 4871
Ph: (07) 4064 4203; Mobile: 018 184 672; Fax: (07) 4064 4206

Maurice Franklin (organic/biodynamic)

Ohl Road
MISSION BEACH QLD 4852
Ph: (07) 4068 7340

Davis Farm Consultancy Service

W.B. (Bill) Davis
PO Box 1025
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4063 3879; Mobile: 015 691 760; Fax (07) 4063 3634

Scientific Advisory Services Pty Ltd

Richard Piper

PO Box 1056

TULLY QLD 4854

Mobile: 041 744 660; Fax (07) 4065 4991; A/H Ph: (07) 4065 4975

email: sas@znet.net.au

Suppliers of other specialised services

Contract packing**Australian Banana Company**

Greg Worth or Rob Borsato

PO Box 2106

INNISFAIL QLD 4860

Ph: (07) 4061 6833; Mobile: 019 641 293; Fax: (07) 4061 3301

Market reporting, fruit brokering, quality advice**Lockett Marketing Australia Pty Ltd**

PO Box 644

ARCHERFIELD QLD 4108

Ph: (07) 3274 3355; Fax: (07) 3275 2100

Suppliers of field and packing shed equipment

IBS Engineering Supplies Pty Ltd

21 Cassowary Street

PO Box 200

INNISFAIL QLD 4860

Ph: (07) 4061 3188; Fax: (07) 4061 1214

Ian Fagg Engineering

29 Richardson Street

TULLY QLD 4854

Ph: (07) 4068 2811

Tully Welding Works

Bruce Highway

TULLY QLD 4854

Ph: (07) 4068 1344

Northern Scales Service

453 Draper Street

CAIRNS QLD 4870

Ph: (07) 4051 6448

Daradgee Welding Works

Jubilee Rd

DARADGEE QLD 4860

Ph: (07) 4063 3781; Mobile: 0419 687 989

Marketing groups

NQ Banana Grower's Cooperative Association Ltd

PO Box 840
TULLY QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4068 3300; Fax: (07) 4068 3080

Chiquita Brands Sourcing

Station Street
INNISFAIL QLD 4560
Ph: (07) 4061 7733; Fax: (07) 4061 4532

Australian Banana Company

Greg Worth or Rob Borsato
PO Box 2106
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 6833; Mobile: 019 641 293; Fax: (07) 4061 3301

La Manna Bananas Pty Ltd

Headquarters: 103-107 Hyde Street
FOOTSCRAY VIC 3011
Ph: (03) 9687 0044; Fax: (03) 9689 5253

North Queensland representative:

Geoff Walduck
PO Box 943
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 1169; Mobile: 015 161 810; Fax: (07) 4061 6270

Association of Australian Banana Wholesalers (AABW)

Murray Livingstone, Secretary
Mister Fresh & Associates
PO Box 18
BRISBANE MARKET QLD 4106
Ph: (07) 3379 9333; Fax: (07) 3379 9935

Refrigerated transport services

Malleys Transport Pty Ltd

Bruce Highway
TULLY QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4068 1605, (07) 4068 1666, (07) 4068 2059;
Fax: (07) 4068 1997

Freshmark Transport

Station Street
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 2422; Fax (07) 4061 4641

Rail Siding

TULLY QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4068 1833; Fax (07) 4068 2271

QRX Produce Innisfail

Pine Street (cnr Bruce Highway)
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 6900; Fax: (07) 4061 6911

QRX Tully (Tully General Carriers)

Bruce Highway
TULLY QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4068 1877; Fax: (07) 4068 2140

QRX Produce Mareeba

5 Frew Street
MAREEBA QLD 4880
Ph: (07) 4092 5521; Mobile: 019 468 562; Fax: (07) 4092 5539

Blenners Transport

Bingil Bay Road
EL ARISH QLD 4885
Ph: (07) 4068 5262; Fax: (07) 4068 5379

Fruit Express Pty Ltd

Lot 1 Station Street
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 3233; Fax: (07) 4061 4532

Harker Transport

INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 7533

H.E. Heather & Co.

3 Quinn Close
ATHERTON QLD 4883
Ph: (07) 4061 3233

Hawkins Road Transport

17 Redden Street, Portsmith
CAIRNS QLD 4870
Ph: (07) 4035 2594

Tully Interstate Produce Service

Bruce Highway
TULLY QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4068 1800; Fax: (07) 4068 2110

Market Produce Movers Pty Ltd

21 Katoora St
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 8488; Mobile 018 552 689

Bruce Highway

EURAMO QLD 4854
Ph: (07) 4066 7510; Mobile: 015 038 133

Refrigerated Roadways Pty Ltd

Pine Street
INNISFAIL QLD 4860
Ph: (07) 4061 6900

Inspections for interstate produce shipments

Contact the nearest horticultural office of your state department of agriculture for the names of local inspectors. To find your nearest horticultural DPI office in Queensland, phone the DPI Call Centre on 13 25 23 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays, for the cost of a local call.

Market information

General market issues

For information on who to talk to about market issues such as disputes over payment, selection of market agents, packing and presentation etc, contact the appropriate person from the Market Contact Network listed here.

Market Contact Network**Brisbane:** Trevor Brewer

Ph: (07) 3379 4576; Mobile: 018 068 141; Fax: (07) 3379 4103
e-mail: Ausmarket@bigpond.com

Sydney: Chris Cope

Mobile: 0416 108 639; Fax: (02) 9907 1140
At markets: Ph: (02) 9746 3437; Fax: (02) 9476 1075
e-mail: cqs@accsoft.com.au

Melbourne: John Popiliess

Mobile: 0411 117 578; Fax: 03 9689 3411
At markets: Ph: 03 9689 3444
e-mail: info@datafresh.com.au

QFVG market liaison officers (banana industry)**Sydney, Newcastle**

John Pascalis Ph: (02) 9764 4798; Mobile: 015 038 938

Melbourne

Craig Allen Ph: (03) 9372 3035; Mobile: 0412 735 443

Brisbane

Peter Mumford Ph: (07) 3213 2481; Mobile: 015 034 509

Adelaide

Jane Hart Ph: (08) 8349 4389; Mobile: 0417 809 363

Wholesaler Payment Schemes

Farmpay Scheme

For more information contact:
Melbourne Market Authority
Box 1, 542 Footscray Road
FOOTSCRAY VIC 3011
Ph (03) 9258 6100; Fax: (03) 9687 7714

Prompt Pay Scheme

For more information contact:
Ph: (02) 9764 3244; Fax (02) 9764 2776

Market price information

QFVG Banana Infofax service

QFVG Banana Infofax service provides weekly price and throughput figures for the major wholesale markets. It is updated at 2 p.m. each Friday. The reports available are:

- Summary report of the five major markets (Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Newcastle). Infofax 1902 210 052 (\$1.00/minute)
- Individual reports for the five major markets. Infofax 1902 210 053 (\$0.35/minute).

For market price information for the Brisbane market, contact:

Market Information Services

D Block Brisbane Market
PO Box 229
BRISBANE MARKETS QLD 4106
Ph: (07) 3379 4576; Mobile: 0417 710 950; Fax: (07) 3379 4103
Infofax 1902 262 580 (\$1.50 a minute covers Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne)

For market price information for all other Australian metropolitan markets, contact:

Ausmarket Consultants

D Block Brisbane Market
PO Box 229
BRISBANE MARKETS QLD 4106
Ph: (07) 3379 4576; Fax: (07) 3379 4103
www.users.bigpond.com/Ausmarket

NSW Agriculture

Flemington Market Reporting Service
PO Box 1
FLEMINGTON MARKET NSW 2129
Ph: (02) 9764 3516; Fax (02) 9763 1773

Export associations

Australian Horticultural Exporters Association

Institute of Horticultural Development
Private Bag 15
SOUTH EASTERN MAIL CENTRE VIC 3176
Ph: (03) 9210 9380; Mobile: 0419 999 889; Fax: (03) 9210 9381
e-mail: ahea@ozdocs.net.au
www.ozdocs.net.au/~ahea

Queensland Horticultural Exporters Association

PO Box 857
HAMILTON CENTRAL QLD 4007
Ph: (07) 3868 1888; Fax: (07) 3868 4722

Chemical and spraying information

Department of Primary Industries

Chemical Services Officers
21-23 Redden St, Portsmith
PO Box 652
CAIRNS QLD 4870
Ph: (07) 40441600; Fax: (07) 40355474

Or

Abbott St, Oonoonba
PO Box 1085
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810
Ph: (07) 4722 2688; Fax: (07) 4778 2970

National Registration Authority

1st Floor, 10 National Court
PO Box E240
BARTON ACT 2600
KINGSTON ACT 2604
Ph: (02) 6272 5158; Fax: (02) 6272 4753
www.dpie.gov.au/nra/welcome.html

AVCARE Ltd

National Association for Crop Protection and Animal Health
Locked Bag 916
NORTH SYDNEY NSW 2059
Ph: (02) 9922 2199; Fax: (02) 9954 0588
e-mail: avcare@ozemail.com.au

Centre for Pesticide Application and Safety

University of Queensland, Gatton College
GATTON QLD 4345
Ph: (07) 5460 1281; Fax: (07) 5460 1283

Crop insurance brokers

AgriRisk Services Pty Ltd

John Nash

PO Box 1434

NORTH SYDNEY NSW 2059

Freecall: 1800 659 034 or (02) 9965 1100

Freefax: 1800 358 151 or (02) 9965 1111

Government technical services

Banana technical enquiries (commercial growers only)

Horticulture extension officers

Department of Primary Industries

Centre for Wet Tropics Agriculture

PO Box 20

SOUTH JOHNSTONE QLD 4859

Ph: (07) 4064 3911; Fax: (07) 4064 2249

Client Service Centre

Pat Chay-Prove

Centre for Wet Tropics Agriculture

PO Box 20

SOUTH JOHNSTONE QLD 4859

Ph: (07) 4064 3911; Fax: (07) 4064 2249

The DPI Call Centre

The DPI Call Centre provides help in accessing the range of DPI information products and services. The Centre operates from Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. You can access this service from anywhere in Queensland for the cost of a local call. The DPI Call Centre number is 13 25 23.

Papaya fruit fly freecall hotline

1800 650 268 (24 hours, seven days)

Forestry extension officers

In Queensland, forestry extension officers are available for expert assistance with tree use on farms including windbreak design and species selection, clearing, timber production and forest enrichment. Your local office of the Department of Natural Resources (Queensland) can put you in contact with your nearest forestry extension officer.

Land conservation extension officers

Land conservation extension officers are available to provide expert assistance in planning farm layouts and providing advice on land management. Your local office of the Department of Natural Resources (Queensland) can put you in contact with your nearest land conservation officer.

Water advisory officers

Water advisory officers are available for expert assistance on all aspects of water use on farms including dam construction and maintenance, stream licensing, bore development, irrigation selection and design and water quality. They also provide advice on farm drainage problems. Your local office of the Department of Natural Resources (Queensland) can put you in contact with your nearest water advisory officer.

Farm financial counselling service

In Queensland, DPI provides business advisory services to producers who are in difficulty from continuing environmental and economic pressures. Trained counsellors can help in the analysis of financial situations and the development of business plans. Your local DPI office can put you in touch with your nearest financial counsellor.

Library and literature search services

DPI's Central Library in Brisbane provides a range of special information services that may be of interest to growers. These include:

- access to the library's extensive book and journal collection
- on-line public access catalogue (OPAC) terminals. (These provide access to the DPI library catalogue and to material held in the State Library of Queensland in Brisbane only.)
- literature searches from CD-ROM and the Internet (fee charged).

General enquiries can be directed to:

Brisbane: Ph: (07) 3239 3126; Fax: (07) 3239 3128

Or to the following DPI library staff:

Robin Gallagher and Pat Abbott

Ph: (07) 3239 3124; Fax: (07) 3239 3131

Other information sources

Farmfax is a new DPI information service designed to allow quick access to new and frequently changing information on a range of topics. It provides information 24 hours a day, seven days a week for the cost of a phone call. Information can be either faxed back within minutes or mailed out the next day.

You can ring the Farmfax number to receive an index, from which you can select the items you require. The Farmfax number is (07) 3222 2996.

AgriInfonet is a DPI marketing information access service aimed at assisting small to medium agricultural enterprises search for new business opportunities in export markets. Information on the range of services available can be obtained from:

The AgriInfonet Project Manager
GPO Box 46
BRISBANE QLD 4001
Ph: (07) 3239 3312; Fax: (07) 3239 6292

Farmsafe Qld Ltd
10 Rosemary St
KELSO QLD 4815
PO Box 785
THURINGOWA CENTRAL QLD 4817
Ph/Fax: (07) 4774 0522

Department of Employment, Training & Industrial Relations
Citibank Centre
199 Charlotte Street
BRISBANE QLD 4000
Ph: (07) 3225 2000

Workplace Health & Safety
Ph: (07) 3247 4711

Agricultural booksellers

These booksellers specialise in agricultural books.

D & A Information Services
PO Box 163
MITCHAM VIC 3132
Ph: 03 9210 7777; Fax: 03 9210 7788
e-mail: service@dadirect.com.au

Granny Smith's Bookshop
PO Box 27
SUBIACO WA 6008
Ph: (08) 9388 1965; Fax: (08) 9388 1852
e-mail: granny@aoi.co.au
www.aoi.com.au/granny

Johima Books
PO Box 4048
PARRAMATTA NSW 2124
Ph: (02) 9687 1922; Fax: (02) 9687 1027

Landlinks Press

PO Box 1139

COLLINGWOOD VIC 3066

Freecall: 1800 645 051; Ph: (03) 9662 7666; Fax: (03) 9662 7555

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Contacts through the Yellow Pages

The following Yellow Pages headings cover the main topics for which contacts may be needed. Check the listings under the appropriate heading.

Chemicals/fertilisers

Chemicals, agricultural

Chemical suppliers

Fertilisers

Insecticides, herbicides and fungicides

Lime

Soil conditioners and treatments

Consultants

Farm and agricultural advisory services

Horticultural consultants

Economics and marketing

Fruit and vegetable wholesalers

Grain and produce

Transport services

Equipment, irrigation, machinery

Agricultural machinery

Engineers

Farm equipment and supplies

Instruments — scientific

Irrigation

Manufacturers of harvesting and/or grading machinery

Agricultural machinery
Carriers
Engineers, general
Engineers, manufacturing
Farm equipment and supplies

Pesticides and spraying

Aerial spraying
Fertiliser and/or insecticide spreading
Protective clothing
Spray equipment and/or supplies

Postharvest handling and packaging

Cold room builders/designers
Cold stores
Food processing and/or packing machinery
Fruit and vegetable packing
Grain and produce packaging materials
Refrigerated transport trucks and equipment



References

This is not an exhaustive list of references for bananas. It consists of references that the authors recommend as important sources of information and reading for the banana grower. If you require more detailed information on a subject, use the literature search facilities available from most libraries.

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DPI information products

Banana books and booklets

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Buying the farm for horticulture — site it right (1986), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

Banana bunchy top virus (1991), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane, QZ91006.

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- Manual handling (lifting, repetitive movement, weights, team lifting, correct techniques)
- Noise
- Tractors-safe design, roll-over protection structures (rops), safe operation
- Overhead powerlines
- Agricultural bikes
- Chemical safety
- Child safety
- Skin cancer
- Heat stress
- Legislative requirements for farmers
- Welding
- Personal protective equipment
- Electrical equipment
- Machinery guarding
- First aid
- Workplace amenities.



Annual publications

Fruit and vegetable prices and receipts for Flemington Markets, Sydney

Available from:

Flemington Market Reporting Service

The Manager

PO Box 1

Flemington Markets NSW 2129

Ph: (02) 9764 3516; Fax: (02) 9763 1773

Prices and throughput for the Brisbane market

Available from:

Market Information Services

PO Box 229

BRISBANE MARKET QLD 4106

Ph: (07) 3379 4576; Mobile: 018 068 142; Fax: (07) 3379 4103

Horticultural Research & Development Corporation (HRDC) research report

Available from:

Horticultural Research & Development Corporation

Level 6

7 Merriwa Street

GORDON NSW 2072

Ph: (02) 9418 2200; Fax: (02) 9418 1352

e-mail: hrdc@elders.com.au

www.elders.com.au

Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers (QFVG) annual research report

Available from:

Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers

PO Box 19

BRISBANE MARKET QLD 4106

Ph: (07) 3213 2444; Fax: (07) 3213 2438

e-mail: qfvg@qfvg.org.au

www.qfvg.org.au



Articles, brochures and other items

Papaya fruit fly fact sheets

Available from:

Papaya Fruit Fly Task Force

Freecall hotline 1800 650 268

Relevant HRDC final research reports

Available from:

HRDC

7 Merriwa Street

GORDON NSW 2072

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Wall chart and posters

Available through the DPI Client Service Centre, South Johnstone.

DPI Centre for Wet Tropics Agriculture

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Ph: (07) 4064 3911; Fax: (07) 4064 2249

Posters available include:

- Banana pests
- Bunchy top
- Queensland banana quarantine areas
- Panama disease
- Yellow Sigatoka
- Banana leaf spot regulations
- Anti-resistance strategies for systemic fungicides in north Queensland bananas
- Packing guide for the B21 banana carton
- Grading for hard green bananas
- Banana rust thrips
- Nematode management and monitoring.

Relevant legislation

Copies of relevant legislation are available from the Government Publishing Service Bookshop listed in the Yellow Pages.

- *Plant Protection Act 1989*
- *Agricultural Chemicals Distribution and Control Act 1966 and Regulations 1970*
- *Workplace Health and Safety Act 1995 and Regulations 1997*
- *Banana Industry Protection Act 1989*

General journals and magazines

Queensland Fruit & Vegetable News

The official journal of the Queensland Fruit and Vegetable Growers. It is posted free on request to all Queensland fruit and vegetable growers. Available from:

Queensland Fruit and Vegetable Growers

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Banana newsletters

Bananatopics

A newsletter for Queensland banana growers, funded by the Banana Industry Protection Board and the Horticultural Research & Development Corporation, published by the DPI. The newsletter is free to Queensland growers who have a current banana planting permit. For others it is available from:

Centre for Wet Tropics Agriculture

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BGF Bulletin

This is a monthly newsletter produced by the Banana Growers Federation and the NSW Banana Industry Council.

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Banana Protection

An annual publication of the Banana Industry Protection Board. The publication is free to Queensland growers who have a current banana planting permit. For others it is available from DPI plant health inspectors.

Banana Industry News

Banana Industry News is produced by the banana industry liaison officer. It is posted to all growers who are members of a local producer association. If you wish to receive this newsletter contact:

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Info Musa

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