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Food, Drink & Agriculture



About The Industry

Scotland is a world-leader in this industry! From its exportation of salmon, world recognised distilleries and amazing produce this industry has been going from strength to strength.

The jobs that can be found in this industry are extremely varied... there is something for everyone! You could be working in a range of environments and completing a range of tasks.

Possibilities range from: farming, working with animals, fishing or food production, science / technology!

There are many varied opportunities such as apprenticeships and opportunities for career progression.



The Stats!



- The Food and Drinks Industry employs almost **120,000** people in Scotland!
- In addition, the Agriculture sector employs **67,000**!
- There are over **17,000** food and drinks businesses located in Scotland alone!
- **46%** of jobs in this sector will require you to have an SCQF Level 7 (Advanced Highert+) qualification or above in the future

Possible Careers

Agricultural Engineer
Farmer
Product Developer
Baker
Chef
Catering Manager
Fish Farmer
Food Scientist/
Technologist
Food Packaging
Operative
Sales
Marketing
Brewer
Environmental
Health



Career Insight: Food Scientist

Average Salary: £44,200

No. Employed: 12,600

This job requires you to develop a range of products and ensure they are safe for consumers.

You would be expected to:

- use scientific techniques to get accurate nutritional info for labels
- look at ways to keep food fresh, safe & attractive
- Find ways to produce food quicker and cheaper
- Test food safety

Career Insight: Agricultural Engineer

Average Salary: £38,480

No. Employed: 20,700

This job requires you to assess techniques used by farmers/landowners to explain how to improve their practices.

You would be expected to:

- Plan/supervise projects and aim to tackle environmental problems,
- Work with (maybe even design) specialist equipment
- Assess the impact on the environment
- Test, install, design new equipment

Some Opportunities!

- **Digital Operations Apprenticeship**- assist with new franchisees/stores fit out - from planning the layout of till, kitchen and games area to ordering the fit out supplies, as well as opening accounts for food, drink and retail.
- **Catering Assistant**- To assist in the preparation and delivery of high quality food and beverages whilst maintaining a clean and safe environment suitable for its production.
- **Farm Worker**- You will be part of a small team working 46 hours over 6 days per week supporting the Farm Manager



Useful Websites!

- My World of Work Job Profiles- <https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/my-career-options/job-categories>
- Virtual Career Fair- <https://www.dywnh.info/news/dywwirtual-careers-fair/>
- Apprenticeships- <https://www.apprenticeships.scot/>
- Jobs- <https://www.indeed.co.uk/?from=gnav-jobsearch--jasx>

