

GOT FOOD? THANK A CHILD



Agriculture is one of the most hazardous industries in the US. Child farmworkers face many hazards including pesticide exposure, extreme heat, tools, and machinery.

A recent study of 202 Latinx child farmworkers in North Carolina found the following results:

YOUNG CHILDREN ARE WORKING

The children in the study were:

21%



32%



47%



CHILD FARMWORKERS WORK

IN A VARIETY OF CROPS

Many worked in multiple crops in the same week

57% work in tobacco

26% work in berries

16% work in tomatoes

14% work in sweet potatoes

21% work in other crops

MANY CHILD FARMWORKERS WORK VERY LONG HOURS

- 30% worked 6-7 days in the previous week
- 34% worked more than 40 hours in the previous week

MOST CHILD FARMWORKERS WERE BORN IN THE US

- 81% were born in the US
- 19% were born outside the US

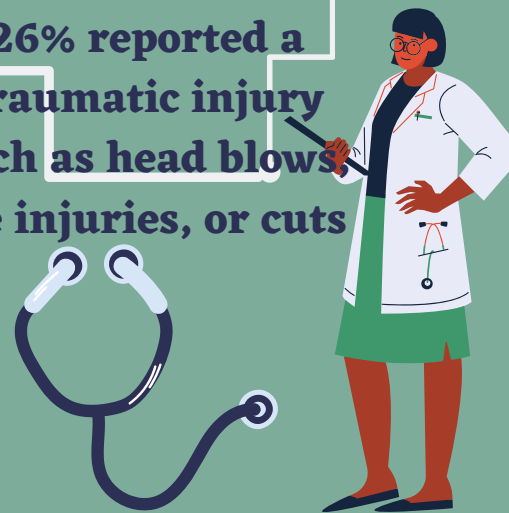


CHILDREN GET HURT AT WORK

44% reported a skin injury such as sunburn or rash

43% reported an injury affecting muscles or bones, such as shoulder or wrist pain

26% reported a traumatic injury such as head blows, eye injuries, or cuts



What can you do?

Advocate

For policies that protect children and support farmworkers

Educate

Your friends and family about child farmworkers

Get involved

With organizations like Student Action with Farmworkers