



Job Opportunities in the Future

Having an understanding of where the jobs are in the Australian labour market, and where they will be in the future, can be useful if you are considering training and career options.

Future employment growth by industry

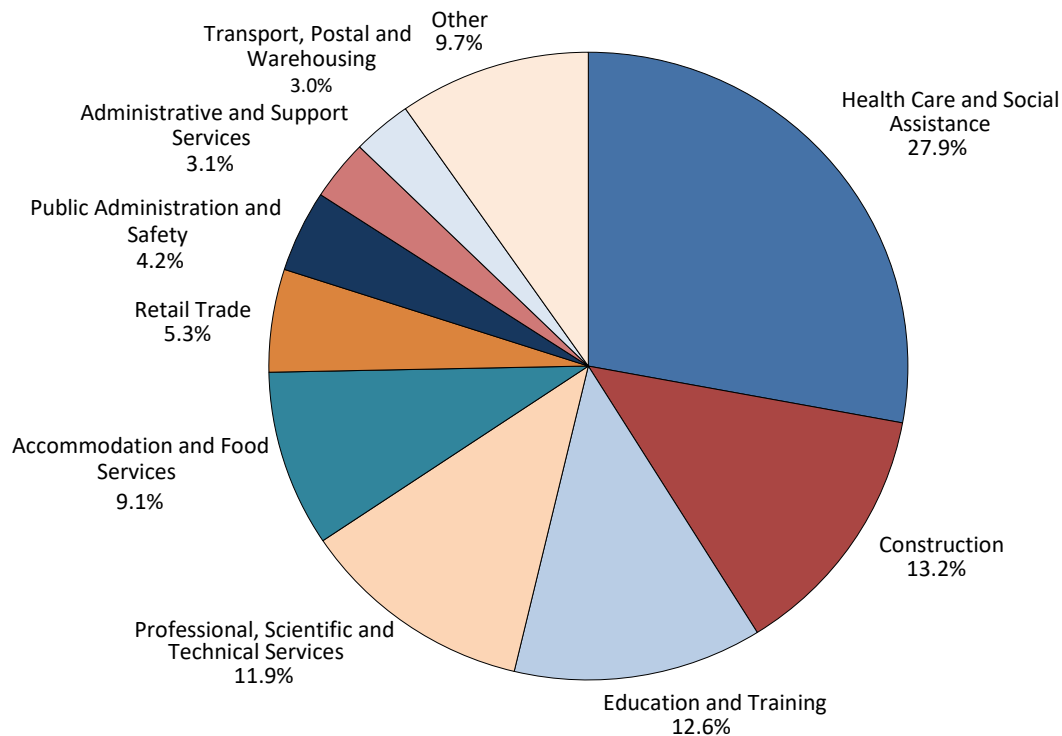
Over the five years to May 2023, the Department of Jobs and Small Business projects employment will increase in 17 of the 19 broad industries, with declines in employment projected for Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing (1400) and Wholesale Trade (9700).

Total employment is projected to increase by 886,100 (7.1 per cent) over this period. Almost two-thirds of this growth is projected to come from the four largest contributing industries:

- Health Care and Social Assistance (250,300 new jobs)
- Construction (118,800)
- Education and Training (113,000)
- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services (106,600).

Top growth industries

(Share of projected employment growth, by industry¹ – five years to May 2023)



¹ 'Other' consists of Arts and Recreation Services; Financial and Insurance Services: Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services; Information Media and Telecommunications; Manufacturing; Other Services; Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services and Mining. Wholesale Trade and Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing are excluded from the chart as they are not projected to grow over the five years to May 2023.

Future employment growth by occupation

Employment opportunities exist in every occupation for people with the right skills. Over the next five years, new jobs are projected to be created across a diverse range of roles. Registered Nurses, Child Carers, Waiters, Education Aides and Plumbers are amongst the occupations projected to generate the largest number of new jobs.

Top occupations

(Occupations with the largest projected employment growth* – five years to May 2023)

Occupation	Total Employed - August 2018	Projected employment growth
Aged and Disabled Carers	175,400	69,200
Registered Nurses	281,100	51,400
Child Carers	147,000	27,600
Software and Applications Programmers	121,600	25,500
Waiters	132,400	21,800
Education Aides	94,600	18,800
Chefs	101,000	16,800
Primary School Teachers	162,200	16,300
Advertising, Public Relations and Sales Managers	148,400	14,300
Bar Attendants and Baristas	107,300	14,100
Truck Drivers	201,800	13,800
Construction Managers	101,900	13,400
ICT Support Technicians	68,100	12,200
Welfare, Recreation and Community Arts Workers	34,200	11,800
Nursing Support and Personal Care Workers	97,100	11,400
Psychologists	34,100	11,300
General Clerks	258,000	11,300
Gardeners	73,100	10,900
Intelligence and Policy Analysts	28,600	10,700
Plumbers	93,900	10,500

Sources: ABS, Labour Force, Australia, Detailed, Quarterly, cat. no. 6291.0.55.003, trend, August 2018 and Department of Jobs and Small Business, 2018 Employment Projections, five years to May 2023

* The occupations shown are limited to those requiring a Certificate II level qualification or higher.

It is also important to note that employment growth is not the only source of opportunities for job seekers. Indeed, job turnover (that is, people changing jobs within the occupation, people leaving the occupation, or leaving the workforce altogether) provides many more job opportunities.

What other information is available?

The Department of Jobs and Small Business publishes a range of products that can help you explore your career and training options.



joboutlook.gov.au Job Outlook provides detailed information for 353 individual occupations including the number of people employed, the hours they work, how much they are paid, the States and industries in which they work and future job prospects. Job Outlook includes the Career Quiz, a fun, interactive tool designed to help job seekers understand their work preferences and learn about jobs they may enjoy.



jobs.gov.au/Australian-jobs-publication The annual Australian Jobs publication brings together up-to-date and forward-looking information about jobs. It covers a wide range of topics including occupations and industries, state and territory labour markets, regional information, graduate outcomes, employers' skill needs and the relationship between education and employment.



lmip.gov.au The Labour Market Information Portal brings together key regional employment data for areas across Australia. This includes employment projections, employers' recruitment insights, unemployment rates, labour market conditions, industry and occupation data, job seeker caseloads, and online job vacancy data.