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The Department of Employment carries out research to identify skill shortages in the Australian labour market. The department publishes the results of its research as individual occupational and cluster reports for groupings of similar occupations. Some occupational labour markets are assessed at the state and territory level, but for others only a national assessment is made.

This page contains skill shortage information by occupation. [Skill shortages information at the state, territory and national level \(/national-state-and-territory-skill-shortage-information\)](#) is also available.

Accountants

Occupational reports are available for the following occupations:

- [accountant \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/35027\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/35027)

Agriculture and horticulture occupations

Individual reports are available for the following occupations:

- [agricultural consultant/scientist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4460\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4460)
- [arborist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5222\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5222)

A report outlining the labour market for the agriculture, forestry and fishing industry on the [labour market information portal \(http://lmip.gov.au/default.aspx?LMIP/Publications/IndustryReports\)](http://lmip.gov.au/default.aspx?LMIP/Publications/IndustryReports).

Automotive trades

Reports are available which provide information for the [automotive trades \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31445\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31445) cluster.

Individual reports are available for the following occupations:

- [automotive electrician \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31489\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31489)
- [motor mechanic \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31491\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31491)
- [panelbeater \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31493\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31493)
- [vehicle painter \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31497\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31497)

Building professions, and architecture and building technicians

Reports are available which provide information for the [building professions and architecture and building technicians \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31567\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31567) cluster.

Individual reports are available for the following occupations:

- [architect \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31501\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31501)
- [architectural draftsman \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31507\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31507)
- [building associate \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4844\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4844)
- [construction estimator \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4846\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4846)
- [construction project manager \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4266\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4266)
- [quantity surveyor \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4398\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4398)
- [surveyor \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31509\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31509)
- [urban and regional planner \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33291\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33291)

Child care occupations

Reports are available which provide information for the [child care \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/34655/\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/34655/) cluster.

Individual occupational reports are available for:

- [child care centre manager \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31515\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31515/)
- [child care worker \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31519\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31519/)

Construction trades

Reports are available which provide information for the [construction trades \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31571\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31571/) cluster.

Individual reports are available for the following occupations:

- [bricklayer and stonemason \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31523\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31523/)
- [cabinetmaker \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31527\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31527/)
- [carpenter and joiner \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31529\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31529/)
- [fibrous plaster \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31537\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31537/)
- [glazier \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5092\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5092/)
- [painting trade worker \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31541\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31541/)
- [plumber \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31545\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31545/)
- [roof tiler \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5122\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5122/)
- [solid plasterer \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31662\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31662/)
- [wall and floor tiler \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5126\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5126/)

Electrotechnology and telecommunications technicians and trades

A research report which provides a national overview of the labour market is available for the [electrotechnology and telecommunications technicians and trades \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5978\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5978/) cluster.

Individual occupational reports are available for:

- [airconditioning and refrigeration mechanic \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31553\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31553/)
- [electrical linesworker \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33841\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33841/)
- [electrician \(general\) \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31555\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31555/)
- [electronic instrument trades worker \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33843\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33843/)
- [telecommunications trades worker \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5196\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5196/)

Engineering professions

Reports are available which provide information for the [engineering professions and technicians \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31573\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31573/) cluster.

Individual reports are available for the following occupations:

- [civil engineering professionals \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31561\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31561)
- [civil engineering draftsman and technician \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31569\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31569)
- [electrical engineer \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31583\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31583)
- [mechanical engineer \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31495\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31495)

Engineering trades

Reports are available which provide information for the [engineering trades \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31575\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31575) cluster.

Individual reports are available for the following occupations:

- [aircraft maintenance engineer \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4972\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4972)
- [welder \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31499\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31499)
- [fitter \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31503\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31503)
- [metal fabricator \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31505\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31505)
- [metal machinist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31513\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31513)
- [sheetmetal trades worker \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31517\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31517)

Food trades

A research report which provides a national overview of the labour market is available for the [food trades \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31638\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31638) cluster.

Individual reports are available for the following occupations:

- [baker \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/30679\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/30679)
- [butcher or smallgoods maker \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5208\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5208)
- [chef \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/34639\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/34639)
- [pastrycook \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5206\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5206)

Health and social assistance occupations

Reports are available which provide information for the [health professions \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33017\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33017), [nurses \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31577\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31577) and [personal care workers \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/2192\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/2192) clusters.

Individual occupational reports are available for the following health professions:

- [audiologist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/35087\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/35087)
- [dentist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4660\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4660)
- [hospital/retail pharmacist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31521\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31521)
- [medical diagnostic radiographer \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31525\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31525)
- [medical laboratory scientist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4464\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4464)
- [medical radiation therapist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4616\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4616)
- [occupational therapist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31531\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31531)

- [optometrist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/35029\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/35029)
- [podiatrist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/documents/anzsco-2526-11-podiatrist-australia-0\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/documents/anzsco-2526-11-podiatrist-australia-0)
- [physiotherapist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31533\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31533)
- [sonographer \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31535\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31535)
- [speech pathologist \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33303\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33303)

Individual occupational reports are available for the following nursing and social assistance occupations:

- [enrolled nurse \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31551\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31551)
- [midwife \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31547\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31547)
- [nursing clinical director \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/34153\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/34153)
- [registered nurse \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31543\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31543)

Resources related occupations

A research report which provides a national overview of the labour market is available for [resources sector professionals \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/documents/resources-sector-professions-australia\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/documents/resources-sector-professions-australia).

Teachers

Reports are available which provide information for the [teachers \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31579\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31579) cluster.

- [early childhood teacher \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31557\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31557)
- [primary school teacher \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31559\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31559)
- [secondary school teacher \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31563\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31563)
- [special education teachers \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31565\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/31565)
- [vocational education teacher \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33901\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33901)

Other occupations

Individual reports are also available for the following occupations:

- [hairdresser \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5230\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/5230)
- [solicitor \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33319\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/33319)
- [veterinarian \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4468\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/4468)

Want to know more?

Profiles of employment trends for occupations and industries are available from:

- [Job Outlook \(http://www.joboutlook.gov.au\)](http://www.joboutlook.gov.au)
- [Australian Jobs publication \(/australian-jobs-publication\)](#)
- [Industry Employment Outlook reports \(http://lmip.gov.au/default.aspx?LMIP/Publications/IndustryReports\)](http://lmip.gov.au/default.aspx?LMIP/Publications/IndustryReports)

Detailed information is available on the [methodology used for the skill shortage research program \(http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/34245\)](http://docs.employment.gov.au/node/34245).

If you have any enquiries about the skill shortage research program or national reports please email [AustralianJobs@employment.gov.au \(mailto:australianjobs@employment.gov.au\)](mailto:AustralianJobs@employment.gov.au)

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