

CAREER FACT SHEET

Safety Inspectors

Snapshot

Safety Inspectors inspect machines, equipment, working conditions and public places to ensure compliance with government and industry standards and regulations, in relation to occupational health and safety.

How many are employed in this occupation?	4,400
What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers?	\$1,844
How does unemployment compare with other occupations?	Below Average
What are the job prospects for this occupation?	Low
What will be the likely future employment growth for the next five years?	Moderate Growth

Main employing industries

Public Administration and Safety; Professional, Scientific and Technical Services; Mining; Financial and Insurance Services

Tasks

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- examining equipment specifications, and inspecting and testing machines, equipment and clothing to ensure compliance with safety standards and serviceability
- inspecting factories and other work sites to ensure compliance with government and industry standards and regulations
- observing workers to ensure protective devices are being utilised according to regulations and that combustible and other hazardous materials are used and stored in accordance with approved procedures
- conducting tests in work areas to detect toxic fumes, explosive gas-air mixtures and other work hazards
- ensuring fire prevention equipment and other safety supplies, such as first aid kits, stretchers and blankets, conform to standards
- assisting in conducting safety meetings and campaigns, and organising training in general safety principles in keeping with regulations
- advising organisations on ways to comply with occupational health and safety legislative requirements
- investigating incidents and fatalities, to determine causes and to collect evidence of non-compliance with occupational health and safety legislation

INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

Public Administration and Safety

If you enjoy complex problem solving, and are a critical thinker who is good at communicating with people and undertaking administrative tasks, then the Public Administration and Safety sector might have a career pathway for you. The Public Administration and Safety industry is primarily made up of Federal, State and Local Government legislative, executive and legal agencies. These bodies provide physical, social, economic and general public safety and security services and are charged with enforcing regulations. Maybe you have always dreamt about being a Police or Ambulance officer, or want to work in a role that services members of the public. Perhaps you are interested in public policy, legislation and regulation. The Public Administration and Safety sector offers opportunities in these and many other fascinating areas.

Possible job pathways

- Auditors and Company Secretaries
- Economists
- Contract, Program and Project Administrators
- Filing and Registry Clerks
- General Clerks
- Human Resource Clerks
- Human Resource Managers
- Human Resource Professionals
- Inquiry Clerks
- Keyboard Operators (Data Entry Operator)
- Other Clerical & Administrative Workers
- Payroll Clerks
- Personal Assistants
- Policy and Planning Managers
- Receptionists
- Secretaries
- Cartographers and Surveyors
- Fire and Emergency Workers
- Inspectors and Regulatory Officers
- Police
- Prison Officers
- Safety Inspectors
- Security Officers and Guards
- Social Workers
- Archivists, Curators and Records Managers
- Primary Products Inspectors
- Urban and Regional Planners



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