

CAREER FACT SHEET

Library Assistants

Snapshot

Library Assistants issue receive and shelve library items and maintain associated records.

How many are employed in this occupation?	6,200
What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers?	\$1,118
How does unemployment compare with other occupations?	Average
What are the job prospects for this occupation?	Medium
What will be the likely future employment growth for the next five years?	Strong Growth

Main employing industries

Education and Training; Information Media and Telecommunications; Public Administration and Safety **Tasks**

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- issuing library items to borrowers and recording identification data and due dates
- sorting and shelving returned items
- locating and retrieving items on request
- maintaining records and index systems
- receiving overdue items issuing overdue notices and receiving fines
- inspecting returned items for damage and making minor repairs
- assisting with the preparation of displays and promotional activities
- may prepare catalogued items for shelving

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INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

Education and Training

If you relate well to people, particularly younger people, are patient, caring, and feel you have a flair for passing on your knowledge and skills to others, then you might like to consider a career in education and training. The Education and Training sector has experienced strong growth over the past decade, creating a strong demand for trained staff in this field. If you are someone that has a passion for education and is interested in supporting young people in their learning and development, then you should seriously explore the pathways to becoming a Primary or Secondary teacher. If you have practical skills and knowledge you could share with others, you may want to consider the merits of becoming a Vocational Education Teacher/Trainers or Trade teacher. If you enjoy working with children in their early years - helping with their daily care and encouraging their personal development and learning - you may be interested in working in the rapidly growing child care industry. There is a strong



Education and Training

demand for qualified child care workers in community, government, and private establishments around the country and it is a very rewarding vocation.

Possible job pathways

- Child Care Centre Managers
- Child Carers (Child Care Assistants, Child Care Group Leaders)
- Driving Instructors
- Education Aides
- ICT Trainers
- Library Assistants
- Primary School Teachers
- School Principals
- Secondary School Teachers
- Special Education Teachers
- Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages
- Training and Development Professionals
- Vocational Education Teachers

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