

CAREER FACT SHEET

Panel beaters

Snapshot

Panelbeaters repair damage to metal, fibreglass and plastic body work on vehicles, and form replacement vehicle panels.

How many are employed in this occupation?	10,900
What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers?	\$1,520
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

Other Services; Retail Trade

Tasks

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- removing damaged panels and parts, and removing upholstery and accessories to gain access
- removing dents by hammering panels
- straightening damaged vehicles and parts using mechanical and hydraulic equipment
- replacing badly damaged sections with new or second-hand panels
- filling depressions with plastic filler, and filing, grinding and sanding repaired surfaces
- cutting and joining replacement sections using welding equipment
- fitting repaired or replacement panels on vehicles and refitting body hardware such as door locks and trims
- may assist vehicle body builders in constructing and restoring custom-designed, vintage and other specialty vehicles
- may spray-paint vehicles@Panelbeater

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INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

Other Services

Everything outside the 18 Industry Categories are classified as "Other Services". It's important to explore this category as you just might find an occupation that matches your skills and aspirations in this extremely diverse range of services. Examples of industries categorized as "Other Services" include: If you love working with cars, motors and machines - making, fixing or selling them - then the automotive services industry could interest you. Occupations in this sector include those that involve working with gas and diesel engines, farm machinery, boats, power equipment and even bicycles. This could be in areas such as detailing, smash repairs, body work, or engine maintenance. Personal Care Services The Personal Care industry covers work focusing on supporting people's health, well-being and beauty. If you are interested in working with people on a very personal level, are a good communicator and want to learn about grooming and deportment, then you should definitely



Other Services

explore the opportunities in this sector. People in this industry typically work in a salon environment but may also work in resorts, day spas, cruise ships, or hotels. If you want to succeed in this industry, you need to be healthy and well groomed, tactful and enjoy dealing with people on a daily basis.

Possible job pathways

- Automotive Electricians
- Car Detailers
- Motor Mechanics
- Motor Vehicle Parts & Accessories Fitters
- Panelbeaters
- Vehicle Painters
- Beauty Therapists
- Fitness Instructors
- Hairdressers
- Massage Therapists
- Domestic Cleaners

- Funeral Workers
- Laundry Workers
- Ministers of Religion
- Other Cleaners

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