

# CAREER FACT SHEET

## Education Aides

### Snapshot

Education Aides perform non-teaching duties to assist teaching staff in schools, provide care and supervision for children in preschools, and provide assistance to Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Maori students and their teachers.

How many are employed in this occupation?	116,700
What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers?	\$1,137
How does unemployment compare with other occupations?	Average
What are the job prospects for this occupation?	High
What will be the likely future employment growth for the next five years?	Very Strong Growth

### Main employing industries

Education and Training; Public Administration and Safety; Health Care and Social Assistance

### Tasks

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- demonstrating, supervising and participating in activities which enhance the physical, social, emotional and intellectual development of children in schools and preschool centres
- preparing indoor and outdoor areas for learning and recreational activities
- assisting children with intellectual, physical and behavioural difficulties with their academic studies
- assisting children individually to learn social skills
- assisting with preparing teaching aids, and copying and collating written and printed material
- distributing and collecting lesson material
- providing assistance to small groups of aboriginal, torres strait islander and maori students
- providing home-school liaison and counselling for aboriginal, torres strait islander and maori students and their families

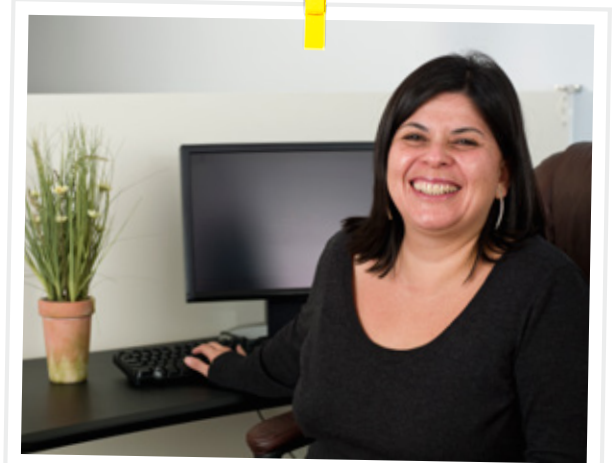
# INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

## 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 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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