

# CAREER FACT SHEET

## Mail Sorters

### Snapshot

Mail Sorters receive, sort and despatch mail in organisations and postal sorting centres.

How many are employed in this occupation?	15,800
What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers?	\$1,074
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

Transport, Postal and Warehousing; Public Administration and Safety

### Tasks

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- receiving and checking incoming mail and mail bags
- assisting with the verification of registered and special articles
- operating mail processing equipment such as letter preparation lines, letter indexing and sorting equipment
- performing manual sorting duties and preparing documentation for despatching mail
- processing underpaid mail, bulk mail lodgements, express mail and other mail services
- operating letter indexing and sorting machines, multi-line optical character machines and bar-coding equipment
- investigating complaints regarding lost items

# INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

## Transport, Postal and Warehousing

If you're interested in air, road, maritime, rail or land transport, then the Transport, Postal and Warehousing industry could be for you. The Transport, Postal and Warehousing industry is responsible for the safe and prompt delivery of people and goods via a variety of channels, including scenic and sightseeing transport, and for the storage and sorting or «warehousing» of freight before delivery. The sector encompasses logistics (managing & organising the transport), infrastructure, (such as roads, air and rail), and numerous support roles such as customs officers, couriers, tugboat operators and forklift drivers. If you choose this vocational pathway you could work in road transport as a bus, train or taxi driver; in construction as a mobile crane operator; or even in coastal or ocean-going marine operations as a deckhand, engine driver or cook. There are many possibilities!

### Possible job pathways

- Air Transport Professionals
- Automobile Drivers
- Bus and Coach Drivers
- Couriers and Postal Deliverers
- Delivery Drivers
- Forklift Drivers
- Freight and Furniture Handlers
- Mail Sorters
- Other Mobile Plant Operators
- Supply and Distribution Managers
- Tourism and Travel Advisers
- Train and Tram Drivers
- Transport Services Managers
- Truck Drivers



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