

# CAREER FACT SHEET

## Supply and Distribution Managers

### Snapshot

Supply and Distribution Managers plan, organise, direct, control and coordinate the supply, storage and distribution of goods produced by organisations.

How many are employed in this occupation?	24,500
What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers?	\$1,696
How does unemployment compare with other occupations?	Below Average
What are the job prospects for this occupation?	Medium
What will be the likely future employment growth for the next five years?	Moderate Growth

### Main employing industries

Transport, Postal and Warehousing; Manufacturing; Wholesale Trade; Retail Trade

### Tasks

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- determining, implementing and monitoring purchasing, storage and distribution strategies, policies and plans
- preparing and implementing plans to maintain required stock levels at minimum cost
- negotiating contracts with suppliers to meet quality, cost and delivery requirements
- monitoring and reviewing storage and inventory systems to meet supply requirements and control stock levels
- operating recording systems to track all movements of supplies and finished goods, and ensuring re-ordering and re-stocking at optimal times
- liaising with other departments and customers concerning requirements for outward goods and associated forwarding transportation
- overseeing the recording of purchase, storage and distribution transactions
- directing staff activities and monitoring their performance

# 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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