

CAREER FACT SHEET

Garden and Nursery Labourers

Snapshot

Garden and Nursery Labourers perform a variety of routine tasks in propagating, cultivating and maintaining plants in gardens and horticultural nurseries.

How many are employed in this occupation?	31600
What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers?	\$584
How does unemployment compare with other occupations?	Above Average
What are the job prospects for this occupation?	Above Average
What will be the likely future employment growth for the next five years?	Strong Growth

Main employing industries

Administrative and Support Services; Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Public Administration and Safety; Construction

Tasks

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- loading, unloading and moving garden supplies and equipment
- preparing garden sites and plots using hand tools and machines
- assisting with planting and transplanting flowers, shrubs, trees and lawns
- maintaining gardens by watering, weeding and mowing lawns
- cleaning gardens and removing rubbish
- assisting with propagating, planting and potting seeds, bulbs and cuttings
- tending plants by hand watering and weeding
- adjusting mist irrigation systems, shade and ventilation
- harvesting and packaging plants for sale and transport.

INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing

If you're interested in working in the great outdoors on tasks such as cultivating plants, testing soil PH levels, diving for lobsters, or raising livestock, then you should investigate a career in Australia's Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing industry. The Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing industry employs a huge number of people in the many roles associated with the supply of fresh and frozen produce and timber to both local and overseas markets. The sheep, beef cattle and grain sectors are Australia's top producers however, there are many other types of farming, such as aquaculture and hydroponics, offering career pathways in a number of specialised areas. The forestry and fishing industries also employ a huge number of people in a range of occupations both directly and indirectly in supporting Australian forests and fisheries.

Possible job pathways

- Agricultural Consultant
- Agricultural Scientist
- Aquaculture Farmer & Workers
- Stock and Station Agent
- Mixed Crop and Livestock Farm Worker
- Meat Inspector
- Quarantine Officer
- Primary Products Inspectors



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