

# CAREER FACT SHEET

## Concreters

### Snapshot

Concreters pour, spread, smooth and finish concrete for structures such as floors, stairs, ramps, footpaths and bridges

How many are employed in this occupation?	41,900
What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers?	\$1,725
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?	Relatively Steady

### Main employing industries

Construction; Manufacturing

### Tasks

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- erecting concrete form work and laying steel reinforcing
- pouring, spreading and levelling concrete using screeds and templates
- tamping, smoothing, shaping and sealing concrete
- operating trowelling machines to float, trowel and polish concrete surfaces
- forming expansion joints and edges using edging tools, jointers and straight edges
- installing fixtures in concrete such as anchor bolts, steel plates and door sills
- wetting concrete and rubbing with abrasives to finish vertical surfaces
- covering concrete with plastic sheeting and sand to cure it
- cutting lines in concrete using power cutters
- may cover freshly poured concrete with colouring powders and other materials

# INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

## Manufacturing

If you're a hands on sort of person who likes getting stuck into tasks involving the use of tools and machinery to create new items, or you like to work on projects that bring technical concept drawings to life, then a career in the Manufacturing industry could be right up your alley. Careers in Manufacturing are available in a variety of industries such as: aerospace, furnishing, laboratory operations, metal fitting, engineering and boating, process manufacturing, mineral products, plastics, rubber, recreational vehicles and textiles, clothing and footwear. Structural Steel and Welding Trades workers, and Metal Fitters and Machinists are the trades most in demand in Manufacturing at present. There are thousands of Manufacturing businesses in Australia, employing almost one million people. New developments in sustainable Manufacturing aim to produce goods in an environmentally friendly and sustainable way while at the same time maintaining, if not improving productivity. This makes it a very interesting time to join this sector.



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### Possible job pathways

- Glaziers
- Graphic Pre-press Trades Workers
- Industrial Spraypainters
- Metal Fitters and Machinists
- Precision Metal Trades Workers
- Sheetmetal Trades Workers
- Structural Steel and Welding Trades Workers
- Wood Machinists and Other Wood Trades Workers
- Chemical, Gas, Petroleum & Power Plant Operators
- Electrical Engineering Draftspersons, Technicians
- Electricians
- Electronics Engineers
- Metal Casting, Forging & Finishing Trades
- Aircraft Maintenance Engineers
- Engineering Production Systems Workers
- Engineers (Chemical and Material)
- Industrial, Mechanical and Production Engineers
- Mechanical Engineering Draftspersons, Technicians
- Food and Drink Factory Workers
- Production Managers
- Printers
- Printing Assistants and Table Workers
- Signwriters
- Jewellers
- Product Assemblers

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