

# CAREER FACT SHEET

## Fire and Emergency Workers

### Snapshot

Fire and Emergency Workers attend emergencies to minimise risk to community safety and security and protect life and property

How many are employed in this occupation?	18,100
What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers?	\$2,046
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?	Relatively Steady

### Main employing industries

Public Administration and Safety

### Tasks

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- attending the scene of fires and other emergencies reported to authorities
- rescuing and evacuating people stranded or trapped in dangerous situations
- operating pumps, spraying water, foam and chemicals from hoses, portable extinguishers and other appliances to extinguish fires and to disperse or neutralise dangerous substances
- cutting openings in buildings and crashed vehicles to free occupants
- maintaining site security systems
- administering first aid
- attending and participating in training activities, rescue classes, drills, demonstrations and courses in emergency and fire-fighting techniques
- training recruits in emergency procedures and practices
- visiting buildings and potential fire hazards to study access points and locations of hydrants
- maintaining tools and equipment

# INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

## Public Administration and Safety

If you enjoy complex problem solving, and are a critical thinker who is good at communicating with people and undertaking administrative tasks, then the Public Administration and Safety sector might have a career pathway for you. The Public Administration and Safety industry is primarily made up of Federal, State and Local Government legislative, executive and legal agencies. These bodies provide physical, social, economic and general public safety and security services and are charged with enforcing regulations. Maybe you have always dreamt about being a Police or Ambulance officer, or want to work in a role that services members of the public. Perhaps you are interested in public policy, legislation and regulation. The Public Administration and Safety sector offers opportunities in these and many other fascinating areas.

### Possible job pathways

- Auditors and Company Secretaries
- Economists
- Contract, Program and Project Administrators
- Filing and Registry Clerks
- General Clerks
- Human Resource Clerks
- Human Resource Managers
- Human Resource Professionals
- Inquiry Clerks
- Keyboard Operators (Data Entry Operator)
- Other Clerical & Administrative Workers
- Payroll Clerks
- Personal Assistants
- Policy and Planning Managers
- Receptionists
- Secretaries
- Cartographers and Surveyors
- Fire and Emergency Workers
- Inspectors and Regulatory Officers
- Police
- Prison Officers
- Safety Inspectors
- Security Officers and Guards
- Social Workers
- Archivists, Curators and Records Managers
- Primary Products Inspectors
- Urban and Regional Planners



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