

Careers Newsletter

Careers in Care and Support



What are Care and Support Careers?

[Care and support workers](#) look after the wellbeing of older people, people with disability, and veterans. They provide help with day-to-day living, and practical and emotional support in a person's home, out in the community, or in a care home, clinic, or hospital. The demand for care and support workers is growing as Australia's population ages. The industry provides flexibility with full time, part time, and casual job roles available.

What skills and strengths are needed?

The care and support workforce needs to be as diverse as the people it supports. In general though, care and support workers need to like helping people, have empathy and patience, and be trustworthy and responsible. Try the quiz [Would You Be a Good Fit?](#) to see if your interests and personality are a match.

What are the pathways?

There are many pathways into different care and support occupations, but entry level roles may require a VET Certificate III in Individual Support, Certificate IV in Disability, or a Certificate IV in Ageing Support. You can learn more about the VET and university pathways into care and support careers [here](#).

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"Success is a journey,
not a destination."

— Ben Sweetland, Author



National Careers Week May 15-21

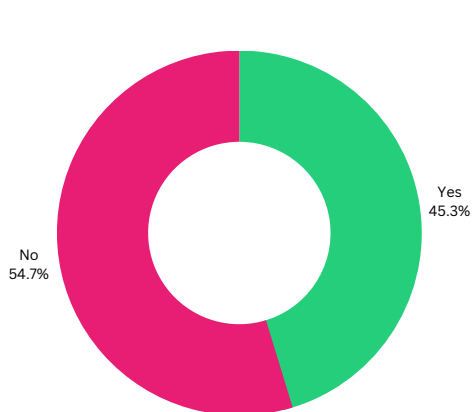
Career. It's more than just a job.

Demographic research company [McCrindle](#) suggests Generations Zed (1995-2009) and Alpha (2010-2024) will have 18 jobs across 6 careers over their lifetimes.

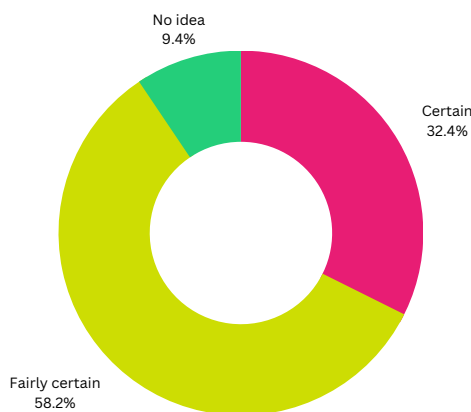


This prediction highlights the importance of young people taking an active role in their career development; the process of managing learning, work, and leisure to advance in life. We asked thousands of high school students about theirs, and this is what they said:

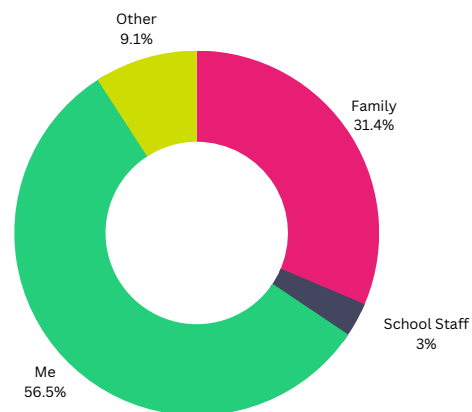
Do you need help planning your future?



How certain are you about your future plans?



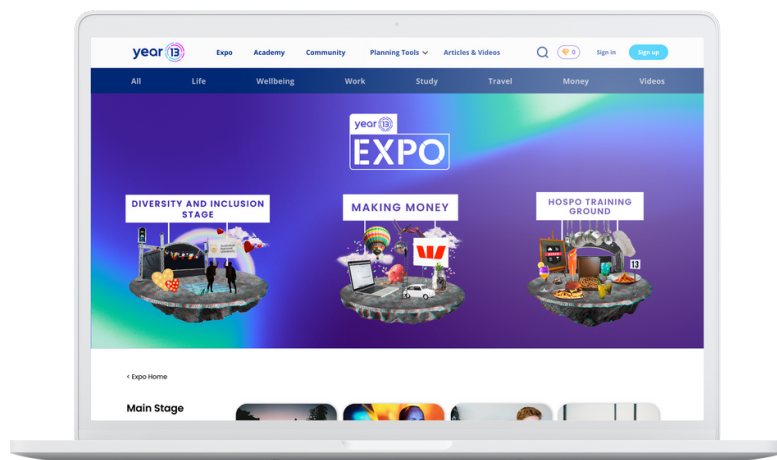
Who most influences your career decisions?



Year 13 Expo

Launching for National Careers Week on Wed. 17th May, the free virtual Expo is available on-demand for 3 months, and will feature:

Westpac	La Trobe University
Australian Defence Force	Southern Cross University
Hospitality Institute of NSW	Chartered Accountants ANZ
Australian National University	Construction Skills Queensland
University of Technology Sydney	Department of Education Victoria
The Mining & Automotive Skills Alliance	+ more exhibitors and heaps of content!



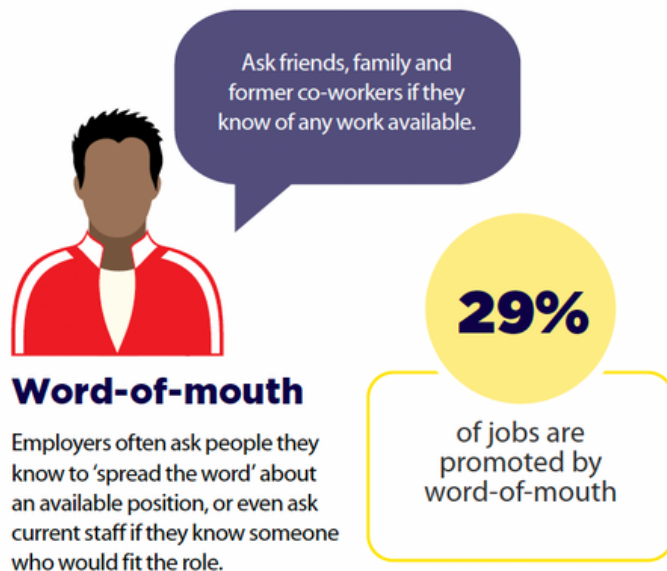
Highlights will include sessions on: *What I Wish I Knew About My First Job*, *How To Change The World as an Accountant*, *What It's Like Working in Mining as an Indigenous Woman*.

You can also check out content from speciality expos on Tech, the Future of Work, STEM, Construction, Trades & Architecture, and Digital Careers [here](#).

Where to Look for Jobs

Knowing how employers look for workers increases our chances of finding the right job. New [data from Jobs and Skills Australia](#) shows the 3 most common recruitment methods are posting online job-ads, word-of-mouth, and social media. What's interesting is that 1 in 7 employers don't advertise at all! Instead, they use word-of-mouth or hire job seekers who directly approach them.

- 72% are advertised on company or job search websites.
- 29% are promoted by word of mouth so tell contacts, school teachers, and neighbours you're looking.
- Meeting and talking to employers makes a better impression than simply dropping off your resume.
- Make sure your social media profiles reflect you positively.



2023 Future of Jobs Report

The World Economic Forum has recently released the 2023 Future of Jobs Report which explores the trends that will shape the workforce over the next five years. Below are some of its key findings:

Top 10 Growing Jobs	Top 10 Declining Jobs	Top 10 Valuable Skills
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AI and Machine Learning Specialists 2. Sustainability Specialists 3. Business Intelligence Analysts 4. Information Security Analysts 5. Fintech Engineers 6. Data Analysts and Scientists 7. Robotics Engineers 8. Electrotechnology Engineers 9. Agriculture Equipment Operators 10. Digital Transformation Specialists 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bank Tellers and Related Clerks 2. Postal Service Clerks 3. Cashiers and Ticket Clerks 4. Data Entry Clerks 5. Administrative and Executive Secretaries 6. Material-Recording and Stock-Keeping Clerks 7. Accounting, Bookkeeping and Payroll Clerks 8. Legislators and Officials 9. Statistical, Finance and Insurance Clerks 10. Door-to-Door Sales, News and Street Vendors and Related Workers 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Analytical thinking 2. Creative thinking 3. Resilience, flexibility and agility 4. Motivation and self-awareness 5. Curiosity and lifelong learning 6. Technological literacy 7. Dependability and attention to detail 8. Empathy and active listening 9. Leadership and social influence 10. Quality control

Global Footprints Scholarship

Calling all SBAT and VET students studying
AGRICULTURE, HORTICULTURE, and TRADES!

If you're all about sustainability, a [Global Footprints Scholarship](#) is your opportunity to travel the world and shape it as you go!

The program provides scholarships worth \$8,000 so you can gain work experience overseas and applications are open now.

You're eligible if you're 18 or over by the June 30 and will complete your qualification within 6 months of the scholarship closing date (15 June 2023).



Agriculture



Horticulture



Trades

Eligible qualifications include:

- Certificate III in Building and Construction, Transport and Logistics, Manufacturing, Hospitality, and Horticulture
- Certificate IV in Livestock Management, Cropping, Mixed Farming, and Agribusiness
- Diploma in Horticulture

QANTAS Female and First Nations Pilot Scholarships



Qantas is offering 50 scholarships to female students and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to help you get your career off to a flying start at their Pilot Academy.

The \$1.5 million investment over five-years is part of Qantas and Jetstar's plans to meet demand for Australia's growing aviation industry and encourage more diversity in the flight deck.

Each scholarship is worth up to \$30,000 and covers accommodation at the Academy, meals and utilities. Tuition fees are additional.

Learn more about this exciting opportunity [here](#).



Apply for the National Youth Science Forum



Applications are now open for current Year 11 Students!

Do you love science, technology, engineering, or mathematics? Or do you have the drive to find solutions to problems and fix things? Are you curious and constantly asking Why? How? Why not? Do you see yourself working in a science or technology-related field and would like to know more about STEM-related study and career paths?

If you answer yes to any of these questions, apply to attend the [NYSF Year 12 Program](#) at either:

- The University of Queensland, Brisbane, 12-20 January 2024
- The Australian National University, Canberra, 5-13 January 2024

Program Fees

The program fee is \$2,850 plus a \$65 application fee. If required, applicants can seek financial support from NYSF's founding partner, Rotary Australia. A limited number of Access and Equity Scholarships are available once you have been offered a place.



Velocity Truck Centre Apprenticeships



Velocity Truck Centre have apprenticeship opportunities for Heavy Vehicle Technicians and Parts Interpreters in locations across NSW, QLD, SA, VIC, and WA!

To succeed you need:

- A positive attitude.
- A willingness to learn.
- A Driver's Licence is preferred but not essential.
- The ability to work in a team and follow instructions.
- To demonstrate interest in the industry and commercial vehicles.
- Work experience in a mechanical environment is highly regarded.

Learn more [here](#), submit an [Expression of Interest](#), or enquire at recruitment@vvgtruck.com.au



Micro Mathematicians

Are you mad about maths and in Grade 5 to Year 10?

Apply for the University of Melbourne's FREE Micro Mathematicians enrichment program!

Open to students who have an interest in mathematics beyond the classroom, the Micro Mathematicians enrichment program it is an opportunity to:

- Explore concepts in depth
- Participate in team activities
- Learn about pathways and careers
- Attend free virtual and/or in person workshops
- Work with passionate mathematicians and statisticians



Places are limited and an application is required you can learn more here or inquire at ms-outreach@unimelb.edu.au

Reasons to Get Involved

GET INVOLVED

Getting involved in extracurricular activities is a game-changer with benefits extending far beyond the classroom.

Discover and develop your passions and talents: Whether it's joining a sports team, debating club, or music group, these activities provide a platform for self-expression, boosting your confidence and enhancing your social skills.

Sharpen your problem-solving abilities: Entering challenges and competitions builds resilience, fosters a healthy competitive spirit, nurtures your critical thinking, and teaches you how to accept both victories and defeats.

Explore: Enrichment programs expose you to new fields, ideas, and experiences, expanding your knowledge and opening doors to future career possibilities.

Enhance your applications: Whether you're applying for a job or a scholarship, employers and educational institutions seek well-rounded individuals who demonstrate a commitment to their passions and a desire to make a positive impact.

Creates memories and friendships: Whether it's bonding during late-night rehearsals, cheering on teammates, or collaborating with peers on projects, these activities create a sense of belonging and a supportive community that lasts well beyond high school.

Use our list of challenges and competitions at the end of the newsletter to get involved today!

Challenges and Competitions Open NOW!

Competitions and challenges are either free or have low entry fees and are open to students nationwide.



SF3 SMARTPHONE FLICKFEST

SF3 is Australia's international smartphone film festival. Open now to filmmakers of all ages. Your film must be shot entirely on a smartphone or tablet. Deadlines 1 June-1 September, 2023. Student entry fee from \$8-\$35 depending on category and deadline.



owlypia[®] THE INTELLECTUALS' CHALLENGE

Owlypia Online is a multiple choice knowledge competition. Students aged 9-18 compete with peers internationally, showing their knowledge and skills in their favourite subject areas. Register now for the event happening 1 July 2023. You could qualify for Globals in Cambridge and Boston!



YOUNG ICT EXPLORERS

Young ICT Explorers is open to students in Grade 3 - Year12 to solve real-world problems or showcase their passions using technology. Anything from creating better ways to recycle, to supporting people with disability; from creating virtual reality worlds. Closes 14 July 2023.



WOOL4SCHOOL DESIGN COMPETITION

Wool4School is an annual student design competition encouraging budding fashion designers to show their nation what they're made of. The competition is open to most secondary school students in Australia, United Kingdom and Italy. Students must register. Closes 20 July 2023.



AUSTRALIAN STEM VIDEO GAME CHALLENGE

The Australian STEM Video Game Challenge is open to students in Grade 4 - Year 12. Students work in teams to create a video game on this year's theme of Construction and Destruction! Submission window for game entry will run from Monday, 24 July - Monday, 7 August, 2023.



UoM Research Competition MATHEMATICS

The University of Melbourne's maths research competition is open to students in Grades 5 - Year 12. Work in a team, or on your own, to research into a given project. Unleash your creativity and your problem solving skills! Choose a project and submit your report or visual display by 31 July 2023.



Speech Competition

The Robert Menzie's Institute Speech Competition is open to students in Years 9-12. Practice your oratorical skills in a speech relating to the legacy of Australia's longest-serving Prime Minister. Submit a video recording of you 5-7 min. speech in response to the topic by 9 July 2023.



Capture the Weather Photo Competition

Submit your vision of Australia's diverse weather to the Australian Weather Calendar photo competition. The judges will be on the lookout for photos that capture weather in a unique, spectacular or visually appealing manner. Open to everyone from 1 July 2023.