



| NSW Department of Education

Aged and Disabled Carers

Aged and disabled carers provide general household assistance, emotional support, care and companionship for aged and disabled persons in their own homes.

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Job title examples

- Aged or Disabled Carer
- Aged or Disabled Care Worker
- Personal Carer
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What aged and disabled carers do

- accompany aged and disabled persons during daily activities
- assist clients with their mobility
- prepare food for clients
- arrange social activities
- perform housekeeping tasks such as vacuuming and cleaning
- assist in personal hygiene and dressing
- provide companionship, friendship and emotional support
- may do shopping and run errands
- may live in with the person

Main employing industries

- Health care and social assistance
- Public Administration and Safety e.g. state government, councils

Qualifications

The following government subsidised qualifications are available in NSW:

Certificate IV in Ageing Support available as a traineeship or qualification

Certificate IV in Mental Health available as a traineeship or qualification

Course fees: You may be eligible for government subsidised training under Smart and Skilled. Go to the [Course Finder](#) to find training in your area, estimate your fee and find a training provider.

Job prospects and pay

- There are around 39,287 aged and disabled carers working in NSW.
- Over the next four years, employment in this occupation is expected to grow in NSW.

Average weekly full-time earnings (before tax):

- Aged and disabled carer: \$898
- All occupations: \$1,200

Related jobs

- Nursing Support and Personal Care Workers
- Special Care Workers



To find out more regarding these related jobs, visit education.nsw.gov.au/job-guides.

Information sources

Occupations: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations, 1220.0

Employment: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Labour Force, Australia, Detailed, Quarterly, 6291.0.55.003

Skills shortages: Department of Employment, Skill Shortage List NSW 2015-16

Job prospects: Centre of Policy Studies (CoPS), Victoria University, Employment Forecast Data for NSW 2015/16 to 2022/23

Earnings: Department of Employment, joboutlook.gov.au, based on ABS Characteristics of Employment Survey, August 2014