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Construction Manager

Construction managers plan, organise, direct, control and coordinate the construction of civil engineering projects, buildings and dwellings, and the physical and human resources involved in building and construction.

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Job title examples

- Construction Project Manager/Building and Construction Manager
- Operations Manager – Construction
- Project Builder

What construction managers do?

- interpret architectural drawings and specifications
- coordinate labour resources, and procurement and delivery of materials, plant and equipment
- consult with architects, engineering professionals and other professionals, and technical and trades workers
- negotiate with building owners, property developers and subcontractors involved in the construction process to ensure projects are completed on time and within budget
- prepare tenders and contract bids
- operate and implement coordinated work programs for sites
- ensure adherence to building legislation and standards of performance, quality, cost and safety
- arrange submission of plans to local authorities
- build under contract, or subcontract specialised building services
- oversee the standard and progress of subcontracted work
- arrange building inspections by local authorities

Main employing industries

- Construction
- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services e.g. architectural or surveying services



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

Qualifications

The following government subsidised qualifications are available in NSW:

Diploma of Building and Construction (Building) available as traineeship or qualification

Apprenticeships and traineeships: Find out how to get an [apprenticeship or traineeship](#).

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 30,390 construction managers working in NSW.
- Over the next four years, employment in this occupation is expected to decline in NSW.

Average weekly full time earnings (before tax):

- Construction managers: \$1,795
- All occupations: \$1,200

Related jobs

- Architectural, Building and Surveying Technician
- Civil Engineering Draftsperson and Technician

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