



2025 Construction Industry Salary Guide

Introduction

Stay competitive by understanding current salary trends in the construction sector. This guide provides insights into average hourly rates across various roles and regions in Australia for 2025.

Role	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS/ACT/NT
General Labourer	\$35 - \$40 per hour	\$33 - \$38 per hour	\$33 - \$38 per hour	\$37 - \$42 per hour	\$33 - \$38 per hour	\$33 - \$38 per hour
Skilled Labourer	\$40 - \$47 per hour	\$38 - \$45 per hour	\$38 - \$45 per hour	\$42 - \$50 per hour	\$38 - \$45 per hour	\$38 - \$45 per hour
Carpenter	\$45 - \$53 per hour	\$44 - \$51 per hour	\$44 - \$51 per hour	\$47 - \$57 per hour	\$44 - \$51 per hour	\$44 - \$51 per hour
Electrician	\$48 - \$55 per hour	\$46 - \$53 per hour	\$46 - \$53 per hour	\$52 - \$62 per hour	\$46 - \$53 per hour	\$46 - \$53 per hour
Plumber	\$48 - \$55 per hour	\$46 - \$53 per hour	\$46 - \$53 per hour	\$52 - \$62 per hour	\$46 - \$53 per hour	\$46 - \$53 per hour
Site Foreman	\$57 - \$71 per hour	\$54 - \$68 per hour	\$54 - \$68 per hour	\$62 - \$76 per hour	\$54 - \$68 per hour	\$54 - \$68 per hour
Project Manager	\$63 - \$80 per hour	\$60 - \$77 per hour	\$60 - \$77 per hour	\$70 - \$85 per hour	\$60 - \$77 per hour	\$60 - \$77 per hour
Estimator	\$50 - \$65 per hour	\$48 - \$63 per hour	\$48 - \$63 per hour	\$55 - \$70 per hour	\$48 - \$63 per hour	\$48 - \$63 per hour

Key Insights

- **High-Demand Roles:** Site Foreman and Project Managers continue to be critical in ensuring successful construction projects, with strong hourly rates.
- **Regional Variations:** Rates in NSW and WA remain higher, reflecting regional demands, living costs, and skilled labor shortages.
- **Economic Trends:** With the ongoing demand for construction professionals, hourly rates are expected to rise, especially for roles such as electricians, plumbers, and foremen.

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