

JOB ROLE

ANIMAL TECHNICIAN

LEVEL OF GROWTH FOR JOB ROLE

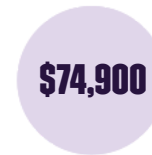


- Projected change of +3.21%
- From 2,637 in 2025 to 2,722 in 2030

AVERAGE SALARY FOR OCCUPATION



Entry level
(1-3 years' experience)



Senior
(8+ years' experience)

WHAT DO EMPLOYERS WANT?



SPECIALISED SKILLS

- Animal Welfare
- Animal Science
- Standard Operating Procedure
- Animal Husbandry

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

- Communication
- Detail Orientated
- Research
- Quality Control
- Record Keeping

DIGITAL SKILLS

- Microsoft 365 App Suite
- Laboratory Information Management Systems

EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS



TOP SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIES WHO ADVERTISED FOR THIS JOB ROLE IN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS:

- Education & Training
- Public Administration & Safety
- Professional, Scientific & Technical Services

TOP SOUTH AUSTRALIAN EMPLOYERS WHO ADVERTISED FOR THIS JOB ROLE IN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS:

- Adelaide University
- State of South Australia
- EBOS Group Limited
- The Austin Vet Specialists
- SAHMRI



YOU MIGHT CONSIDER UNDERTAKING STUDY TO TRANSITION INTO THESE RELATED JOB ROLES:

- Veterinary Nurse
- Laboratory & Research Technician

QUALIFICATION PATHWAYS



Looking to progress your career? TAFE SA can help you further your study with these courses (*fees may apply)

- Diploma of Animal Technology (ACM50119)

Or undertake a range of short courses to supplement your existing knowledge or continue upskilling.

Further information available on the TAFE SA website.

JOB HOLDER COMMENTS

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"Studying at TAFE SA gave me the confidence to pursue my passion for animal conservation, I love teaching visitors about how we can all positively impact our environment for the better."

Chelsea Teoh
Diploma of Animal Technology (ACM50117)



NETWORKING WITH INDUSTRY



Networking with industry provides you with opportunities to gain employment, advance your career and stay current with industry changes.

Conferences and workshops are an excellent way to introduce yourself to key industry contacts.

Follow these organisations on social media:

- RSPCA
- AWL
- Zoos South Australia
- Animal Care Australia

Consider these opportunities to find employment:

- Send your resume to relevant businesses in your local area
- Look for employment opportunities advertised on
 - the TAFE SA Jobs Board
 - online employment websites like Seek
 - the job board on your local Regional Development Australia (RDA) website

CAREER SUPPORT



Not sure where to start? TAFE SA's Student Services can provide you with a range of career planning support including:

- career planning
- write a winning resume
- how to respond to selection criteria
- cover letters that stand out
- preparing for job interviews

To find out more, or to book an appointment, visit TAFE SA's Career Support Page: [Career Support \(tafesa.edu.au\)](https://www.tafesa.edu.au)

Data sources:

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