

JOB ROLE

CAFE OR RESTAURANT WORKER

LEVEL OF GROWTH FOR JOB ROLE



- Projected change of +7.85%
- From 34,845 in 2024 to 37,579 in 2029

AVERAGE SALARY FOR OCCUPATION



Entry level
(1-3 years' experience)



Senior
(8+ years' experience)

WHAT DO EMPLOYERS WANT?



SPECIALISED SKILLS

- Restaurant Operation
- Food Safety and Sanitation
- Product Knowledge
- Basic First Aid

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

- Customer Service
- Effective Communication
- Enthusiasm
- Multitasking
- Teamwork

EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS



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

- Café and Restaurants
- Accommodation Food Services
- Aged Care Residential Services
- Catering Services

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

- Southern Cross Care
- Intercontinental Hotels Group
- Accor Group
- The Meat and Wine Company
- Hotel Indigo

LOOK FOR JOBS BEING ADVERTISED USING THESE JOB TITLES:

- Wait Staff
- Food and Beverage Attendants
- Front of House Staff
- Café or Restaurant Worker



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

- Restaurant Manager



QUALIFICATION PATHWAYS

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

- Certificate II in Hospitality (SIT20322)
- Certificate III in Hospitality (SIT30622)

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

Further information available on the TAFE SA website.



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.

Upcoming events include:

- Food South Australia
Various events

Further information available on the [website](#).

Follow these organisations on social media:

- Barista Connect
- Food South Australia
- Restaurant and Catering Australia
- SA Tourism

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 \(tafesa.edu.au\)](#)

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