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# JOB ROLE FOOD TECHNOLOGIST



# **LEVEL OF GROWTH FOR JOB ROLE**

# ~7

- > Projected change of +12.4%
- > From 9,900 in 2023 to 11,100 in 2028

# **AVERAGE SALARY FOR OCCUPATION**

\$67,400

Entry level (1-3 years' experience)

\$115,500

Senior (8+ years' experience)



# **WHAT DO EMPLOYERS WANT?**

### **SPECIALISED SKILLS**

- > Food Science
- > Food Safety
- > Environmental Sustainability
- > Consumer Research
- > Biosecurity

### **EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS**

- > Research
- > Planning
- > Communication Skills
- > Presentation Skills
- > Problem Solving



# **EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS**

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

- > State Government Administration
- > Manufacturing
- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services

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

- Primary Industries and Regions South Australia
- > Government of South Australia
- > Unico

# LOOK FOR JOBS BEING ADVERTISED USING THESE JOB TITLES:

- > Food Safety Systems Officer
- Environment Officer (food processing)







# **OUALIFICATION PATHWAYS**

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

 Diploma of Food Science and Technology (FBP50121) 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**

"The TAFE SA's Diploma of Food Science and Technology is a hands-on, practical course with plenty of lab sessions, making it easy to learn. The facilities are also equipped with everything students need."

Hoda Yavari

Diploma of Food Science and Technology (FBP50121)





# **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:

- > Australian Institure of Food Science & Technology
- > Fine Food 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)

### Data source

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