

Australian Apprenticeships Incentives System Summary



Effective 1 July 2024

Employers and Australian Apprentices (apprentices) entering into a Training Contract may be eligible for a range of Australian Government employer incentives and financial support. Payments available are payable in respect of an apprentice whose employment and training arrangements are formally approved by the State Training Authority and the criteria for the payment is met.

You can check your eligibility and apply for these payments online through the [Apprenticeships Data Management System \(ADMS\)](#).

Employer incentives

Priority Hiring Incentive*			
Overview	Payment rates	Claim period	Effect date
For employers of apprentices in priority occupations as outlined on the Australian Apprenticeships Priority List (Priority List) Up to a maximum of \$5,000 (full-time rate) and \$2,500 (part-time rate) paid in two instalments over the first year of an Australian Apprenticeship	\$2,000 full-time	Apprentice's first 6 months with employer (12-month claim limit)	6 months from commencement or recommencement
	\$1,000 part-time		
Certificate III, Certificate IV, Diploma or Advanced Diploma level qualification which is aligned to an occupation that is on the Priority List	\$3,000 full-time \$1,500 part-time	Apprentice's second 6 months with employer (12-month claim limit)	6 months from effect date for first payment

		Amount	Paid at
Assistance for Australian Apprentices with a Disability (subject to approved application)	Paid to employer	\$104,30	Per week in arrears - wage support
	Paid to Registered Training Organisation (tutorial assistance)	\$38,50	Per hour (up to \$5,500 per year)
	Paid to Registered Training Organisation (mentor and/or interpreter assistance)	\$38,50	Per hour (up to \$5,500 per year)

For further information about employers incentives, click [here](#) or scan the QR code below.



Australian Apprentice incentives

Australian Apprentice Training Support Payment (AATSP)			
Overview	Payment rates	Payment period	Payment schedule/effect date
<p>For apprentices in priority occupations as outlined on the Australian Apprenticeships Priority List (Priority List)</p> <p>Up to a maximum of \$5,000 (full-time rate) and \$2,500 (part-time rate) paid in four instalments over a two-year period</p> <p>Certificate III, Certificate IV, Diploma or Advanced Diploma level qualification which is aligned to an occupation that is on the Priority List</p> <p>The apprentice must not be in receipt of the New Energy Apprentice Support Payment (NEASP) for the same Australian Apprenticeship</p>	\$1,750 full-time	6 months in apprenticeship	6 months after commencement/recommencement Eg. Apprentice commences 15 July 2024 – the first effect date is 15 January 2025
	\$875 part-time		
	\$1,750 full-time	12 months in apprenticeship	6 months after the effect date of the first payment Eg. Second effect date if no suspension occurred is 15 July 2025
	\$875 part-time		
	\$750 full-time	18 months in apprenticeship	6 months after the previous effect date Eg. Third effect date if no suspension occurred is 15 January 2026
	\$375 part-time		
	\$750 full-time	24 months in apprenticeship	6 months after the previous effect date Eg. Fourth effect date if no suspension occurred is 15 July 2026
	\$375 part-time		

New Energy Apprentice Support Payment (NEASP)			
Overview	Payment rates	Payment period	Payment schedule/effect date
<p>For apprentices in priority occupations as outlined on the Australian Apprenticeships Priority List (Priority List) and that are identified as a clean energy occupation</p> <p>Up to a maximum of \$10,000 (full-time rate) and \$5,000 (part-time rate) paid in five instalments</p> <p>Certificate III, Certificate IV, Diploma or Advanced Diploma level qualification which is aligned to an occupation that is on the Priority List</p> <p>The apprentice must not be in receipt of the Australian Apprentice Training Support Payment (AATSP) for the same Australian Apprenticeship</p>	\$2,000 full-time	6 months in apprenticeship	6 months after commencement/recommencement Eg. Apprentice commences 15 July 2024 – the first effect date is 15 January 2025
	\$1,000 part-time		
	\$2,000 full-time	12 months in apprenticeship	6 months after the effect date of the first payment Eg. Second effect date if no suspension occurred is 15 July 2025
	\$1,000 part-time		
	\$2,000 full-time	24 months in apprenticeship	6 months after the previous effect date Eg. Third effect date if no suspension occurred is 15 July 2026
	\$1,000 part-time		
	\$2,000 full-time	36 months in apprenticeship	12 months after the previous effect date Eg. Fourth effect date if no suspension occurred is 15 July 2027
	\$1,000 part-time		

Living Away From Home Allowance (subject to approved application)			
Description	Payment rates		
Certificate II or above qualification level Must be within 36 months of commencement date of Australian Apprenticeship (whether full-time or part-time)	First year	Second year	Third year
	\$77,17 (per week)	\$38,59 (per week)	\$25 (per week)

Living Away From Home Allowance (subject to approved application)

Description	Payment rates	Payment periods
Lifetime limit of up to \$25,643, paid monthly in arrears over the term of the Australian Apprenticeship	\$854,78	Per month in the first year
Paid to Australian Apprentices undertaking a qualification which leads to an occupation listed on the Australian Apprenticeships Priority List (Priority List)	\$641,08	Per month in the second year
AASL are to be repaid via the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) once apprentices have reached the minimum income threshold (\$54,435 for the 2024–25 financial year)	\$427,39	Per month in the third year
	\$213,69	Per month in the fourth year (and beyond)

For further information about incentives available to Australian Apprentices, click [here](#) or scan the QR code below.



Note: Additional eligibility criteria and conditions apply. A period of suspension or cancellation may affect claim periods.

*Employers must: 1. Register and use **Single Touch Payroll (STP)** for wage reporting to the Australian Tax Office (ATO) unless the ATO has granted an exemption; and 2. Lodge claims in the [Apprenticeships Data Management System \(ADMS\)](#), noting a **myGovID is required to authenticate** the user during login; and 3. Provide accurate wage evidence to support each claim lodged in ADMS and submit claims within 12 months of the effect date; and 4. Not be in receipt of Disability Australian Apprentice Wage Support (DAAWS) subsidy or any other federal, state or territory government wage subsidy or equivalent for the same Australian Apprenticeship. 5. Group Training Organisations (GTOs) are not required to pass on payments to host employers. 6. Additionally, for the Priority Hiring Incentive: a) The employer must retain their Australian Apprentice in-training at each point a scheduled payment is claimed. b) An existing worker is where the apprentice has been in an employment relationship with their employer for more than three full-time equivalent months, including approved leave.

1. Providing all other eligibility criteria are met, existing worker Australian Apprentices are eligible for the AATSP. 2. Australian Apprentices must claim payments in the [Apprenticeships Data Management System \(ADMS\)](#), noting a myGov account or digital identity (myGovID) must be linked to ADMS in order to claim. 3. The time limit for lodging claims for either the Australian Apprentice Training Support Payment or New Energy Apprentice Support Payment is 12 calendar months from each claim effect date. 4. Payments are treated as taxable income, therefore a Tax File Number (TFN) Declaration must be provided to avoid tax being withheld at the highest marginal rate.

Apprentices can apply for both the Living Away From Home Allowance (LAFHA) and Australian Apprenticeship Support Loans (AASL) via ADMS. Further information is available on LAFHA [here](#) and AASL [here](#).