

Australian Apprenticeships Incentive System

Employer Subsidies

For further information on applying and eligibility, contact an [Apprentice Connect Australia Provider](#).

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Subsidy	Description	Amount	Eligibility/Timing
Priority Hiring Incentive for employers of Apprentices in Priority Occupations	For employers of new or recommending Apprentices undertaking Certificate III or higher in a Priority Occupation, listed on the Priority list. To view the Priority List click here .	\$2,000 (\$1,000 if part-time regardless of hours) paid for an eligible apprentice at 6 months from the date of commencement or recommencement. AND \$3,000 (\$1,500 if part-time regardless of hours) paid for an eligible apprentice at 12 months from the date of commencement or recommencement	Eligible employers of any size if they engage an Australian Apprentice on or after 1 July 2024 .
Wage subsidy for employers of Apprentices in Priority Occupations*	For employers of new or recommending Apprentices undertaking Certificate III or higher in a Priority Occupation, listed on the Priority list. To view the Priority List click here .	10% of the wages paid for an eligible apprentice in their first and second year to a maximum of \$1,500 per quarter per apprentice AND 5% of wages paid for an eligible apprentice in their third year up to maximum of \$750 per quarter per apprentice.	Eligible employers of any size if they engage an Australian Apprentice between 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2024 .

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Hiring Incentive for employers of Apprentices NOT in a Priority Occupation*

For employers of new or recommencing Apprentices undertaking Certificate II or higher in a trade NOT on the Priority Occupation list. To view the Priority List [click here](#).

Up to \$3,500 paid to the employer in two equal six-monthly installments following commencement.

Eligible employers of any size if they engage an Australian Apprentice between **1 July 2022 and 30 June 2024**.

* These subsidies ceased to new entrants on 30 June 2024.

Australian Apprenticeships Incentive System for Apprentices with disability

Subsidy	Description	Amount	Eligibility/Timing
Disability Australian Apprentice Wage Support (DAAWS)	For an employer who takes on an apprentice with a disability. Please note this is an alternative to the standard employer incentives. For further detail, click here .	\$104.30 per week in arrears for the length of the temporary disability or 12 months if the Australian Apprentice has a long term or permanent disability	Eligible employer must be paying the Australian Apprentice at least \$104.30 per week, or its part-time equivalent. Employers must not be receiving any other form of Australian Government wage subsidy/employer incentives or equivalent assistance for the same Australian Apprentice.

For further information, see [Financial support for employers page on apprenticeships.gov.au](#).

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