Supply and distribution managers plan, organise, direct, control and coordinate the supply, storage and distribution of goods.

**Job title examples**

- Logistics Manager
- Logistics and Distribution Manager
- Supply and Distribution Manager
- Supply Chain Manager
- Warehouse Logistics Manager

**Other jobs in this field of work**

**What supply and distribution managers do**

- determine, implement and monitor purchasing, storage and distribution strategies, policies and plans
- prepare and implement plans to maintain required stock levels at minimum cost
- negotiate contracts with suppliers to meet quality, cost and delivery requirements
- monitor and review storage and inventory systems to meet supply requirements and control stock levels
- operate recording systems to track all movements of supplies and finished goods, and ensure re-ordering and re-stocking at optimal times
- liaise with other departments and customers concerning requirements for outward goods and associated forwarding transportation
- oversee the recording of purchase, storage and distribution transactions
- direct staff activities and monitor their performance

**Main employing industries**

- Manufacturing
- Transport, Postal and Warehousing

**Qualifications**

The following government subsidised qualification is available in NSW:

**Diploma of Logistics** available as a traineeship or qualification
Apprenticeships and traineeships: Find out how to get an apprenticeship or traineeship

Course fees: You may be eligible for government subsidised training under Smart and Skilled. Go to the Course Finder to find training in your area, estimate your fee and find a training provider

Job prospects and pay

- There are around 13,408 supply and distribution managers working in NSW.
- Over the next four years, employment in this occupation is expected to grow in NSW.

Average weekly full time earnings (before tax):

- Supply and Distribution Managers: $1,600
- All occupations: $1,200

Related jobs

- Purchasing and Supply Logistics Clerk
- Transport and Despatch Clerk

To find out more regarding these related jobs, visit the Job Guides Homepage.

Information sources

Occupations: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations, 1220.0
Skills shortages: Department of Employment, Skill Shortage List NSW 2015-16
Job prospects: Centre of Policy Studies (CoPS), Victoria University, Employment Forecast Data for NSW 2015/16 to 2022/23