Travel Attendant

Travel attendants provide services for the safety and comfort of passengers in aircraft, ships and railway sleeping cars.

**Job title examples**

- Flight Attendant
- Passenger Service Attendant
- Cabin Steward / Crew
- Steward

**Other jobs in this field of work**

**What travel attendants do**

- manage safety and emergency procedures and make public announcements
- coordinate the sale of goods to passengers and completion of any customs and immigration documentation which may be required
- conduct safety checks and demonstrations of safety equipment and procedures
- assist passengers in emergency drills, carry out emergency procedures, assist and direct passengers in emergencies
- check passengers' tickets and direct them to seats and cabins
- tidy aircraft, ship and railway cabins, and receive and stow food, equipment and cabin baggage
- operate galleys, prepare and heat food for passengers, and serve refreshments and meals
- distribute reading material, pillows, blankets and other amenities for the comfort of passengers

**Main employing industries**

- Transport, postal and warehousing
Qualifications

The following government subsidised qualifications are available in NSW:

**Certificate III in Aviation (Cabin Crew)** available as a traineeship or qualification  
**Certificate III in Rail Customer Service** available as a traineeship or qualification

**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

- There are around 3,325 travel attendants 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):**

- Travel attendants: $1,361  
- All occupations: $1,200

Related jobs

- Tourism or travel adviser  
- Gallery, museum and tour guide  
- Waiter

To find out more about other 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  