

Fun jobs in Australia that pay well

Whether you work a lot or a little, it makes sense to want a job that you enjoy doing. Working in a job you find fun can lead to higher levels of happiness and [job satisfaction](#), more motivation and better health overall. But how do you find a job that's fun?

Fun, unconventional jobs can be found in practically every industry. Think about the variety of roles across arts, food, events, fitness and gaming – there are plenty that break the typical nine-to-five mould. Need a little inspiration to get you started on your own fun career path? Whether you're a thrill seeker, creative soul or someone who loves to be in the great outdoors, here are ideas for jobs that are fun and (reasonably) well paid.

Top 15 high-paying and fun jobs in Australia

No matter which field you're interested in, there are likely to be jobs that not only pay well, but also offer some level of fun and excitement. Before you start the process of job hunting, take time to reflect on your hobbies and passions, to identify potential interests and affinities that could guide your career.

Whether you're wanting a [career change](#), just starting out, or curious about what exciting opportunities exist, here are some fun full-time and fun part-time jobs in Australia to consider.

1. Video game tester

If you love gaming, why not turn that passion into a career? Put your experience to good use by playing, analysing and providing feedback on video games before they launch.

As a video game tester, your job is to report any bugs, glitches, errors and anything else that could impact a player's experience. Your feedback helps developers provide

a seamless and enjoyable experience to other gamers. While playing games is the fun part, you also need a keen eye for detail, patience and experience using the relevant gaming platforms.

Estimated pay range: \$35–\$45 per hour

Required skills:

- Strong passion for gaming
- Attention to detail
- Reliability
- Ability to provide useful feedback
- Basic understanding of game design and development

You might also consider becoming a [game designer](#) or [developer](#).

2. Social media influencer

For extroverts with a flair for creativity and a passion for social media, the role of a social media influencer offers an [exciting career path](#). This job involves creating entertaining content for various social media platforms, building a dedicated follower base and engaging with an online audience.

As a social media influencer, your day-to-day activities include brainstorming and producing creative content across a wide spectrum of topics, like lifestyle, travel, food, fitness, health and more. The key to success is building a strong, authentic connection with your audience, then collaborating with brands for sponsored content.

Estimated pay range: varies significantly, with different streams of income. Top influencers can earn large amounts from brand collaborations and sponsorships.

Required skills:

- Video editing and production
- Intermediate written communication
- Content strategy
- Proficiency in social media platforms
- Knowledge of social media trends
- [Networking skills](#)
- Resilience
- Creativity

To learn more about social media marketing (and get paid) while you're building your [personal brand](#), consider working in a [social media role](#) for a company first.

3. Professional food taster

If you're a foodie with a heightened sense of taste, a career as a professional food taster might be fun for you. This job involves taste-testing processed foods that are in development, and evaluating them based on flavour, presentation, smell, texture and overall quality. It's a career that will satisfy your taste buds and your inquisitive, analytical nature.

As a professional food taster, you work closely with food technicians and manufacturers, providing analyses that help them refine recipes. This role requires an in-depth understanding of flavours and ingredients, as well as the ability to communicate your opinions clearly.

Estimated pay range: \$25–\$40 per hour

Required skills:

- Understanding of flavours and ingredients
- Taste sensitivity
- Analytical thinking
- Good communication skills

A career path to professional food taster might start out with [food technician or quality assurance role](#), a chef, or a recipe developer.

4. Theme park jobs

Theme parks offer some of the most fun jobs in Australia. They're all about bringing joy to people and creating unforgettable experiences for visitors of all ages. There are lots of jobs at any given theme park: security, rides maintenance, character performances, guest experiences, retail, food service, etc. The employees in these roles are all expected to help create a happy and safe environment for guests, and in turn get to enjoy a workplace that's full of smiling, joyful people.

Estimated pay range: \$26–\$30 per hour

Required skills:

- For performers: strong dramatic skills (acting, dancing, singing, etc.)
- High level of enthusiasm and energy
- People skills
- Teamwork
- Communication
- Trade skills for technicians

[Explore theme park jobs.](#)

5. Event planner

Do you have strong organisational skills and a passion for creating memorable experiences? As an event planner, your job is to organise events from start to finish, ensuring they run smoothly and that attendees are enjoying themselves, whether for corporate gatherings, weddings, kids' parties or music festivals. It's a varied role that keeps you busy with multiple different tasks, with some time spent at a desk, planning and budgeting, and the rest of the time on-site at your events.

Your responsibilities include:

- Coordinating with vendors
- Selecting venues
- Hiring staff
- Budgeting
- Decorating
- Managing the event behind the scenes
- Following up after the event

The role requires a high level of creativity, excellent multi-tasking skills, leadership abilities and calmness under pressure.

Estimated pay range: \$30–\$45 per hour up to \$100k+ per year

Required skills:

- Strong organisation and planning skills

- Creativity and ability to conceptualise event themes and activities
- [Excellent communication](#) and interpersonal skills
- Ability to work under pressure
- Adaptability and resilience

[Browse event planner jobs.](#)

6. Travel blogger

If you have wanderlust and a talent for storytelling, you might love the life of a travel blogger. This career path blends adventure and creativity, and allows you to explore the world in order to share your experiences with your audience, offering insights, tips and recommendations.

As a travel blogger, your work involves more than just visiting exotic locations. It's about capturing each destination – its culture, cuisine, people and hidden gems – and sharing it through your unique perspective. This role also often involves collaborating with travel brands, tourism boards and corporate partners, creating content that resonates with both your audience and the brands you work with.

Estimated pay range: varies significantly; income primarily from sponsorships, advertisements and partnerships. Travel bloggers can also earn money by producing stories and video content for third-party media platforms on a per-video or article basis. Expect around \$100 for a basic, app-edited Reel.

Required skills:

- Writing skills (for blogging)
- Video editing
- A passion for travel and exploration
- Social media engagement
- Networking
- Collaboration

To get work as a travel blogger, start by producing your own content for a travel blog/vlog, then reach out to media publishers and tourism boards. Work on your content skills and build up a client base to work for doing [casual content production](#).

7. Personal shopper

Do you have an in-depth knowledge of fashion and client service skills? As a personal shopper, you're a trusted advisor to wealthy clients, maintaining their wardrobes according to their personal style.

Your responsibilities include: keeping your clients up to date on the latest fashion trends, understanding your clients' needs and preferences, sourcing items, and providing styling advice. This role is about having a good eye for fashion styling and building close relationships with clients and vendors.

Estimated pay range: \$21–\$32 per hour

Required skills:

- Knowledge of fashion trends and designer brands
- Communication and [interpersonal skills](#)
- Customer service
- Organisation
- Time management
- Creativity
- Negotiation

Working as a [sales stylist](#) for a retail fashion brand, or working in floor sales can be a good first step towards this career. [Explore personal shopper jobs.](#)

8. Fitness instructor

If you're passionate about health and fitness, a career as a fitness instructor is a great way to combine your interests with a rewarding profession. Your job is straightforward: design and lead fitness classes and motivate clients as they work towards their fitness goals.

Some fitness instructors are responsible for designing tailored workout routines for individual clients, while others focus on leading group classes and generally helping customers in a gym setting. You might instruct across a wide range of classes or choose a particular focus, such as yoga, Pilates or boxing.

Estimated pay range: \$40 per hour

Required skills:

- Relevant fitness certification (e.g., in yoga, personal training, group fitness)
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to motivate and inspire clients

[Browse fitness instructor jobs.](#)

9. Video content creator

A career as a video content creator is ideal for those with creative flair, good technical skills and a passion for visual storytelling. In this type of role, you could be producing video content across a wide range of formats, including Reels or TikToks, vlogs, tutorials, news stories, and even films and documentaries.

Your responsibilities include conceptualising story ideas, filming and editing, to create content that captivates and engages your target audience. Unless you are an influencer or an independent film maker, you work with clients and create videos to their specific briefs. If you're posting to your own digital channels, you leverage your audience to monetise content through advertisements and sponsorships.

Estimated pay range: varies significantly. Income depends on what products and services you provide, and if you have your own passive income streams through digital platforms.

Required skills:

- Video editing and production
- Strong creative and storytelling abilities
- Audience engagement strategies
- Understanding of social media and content trends

[Find video content creator jobs.](#)

10. Pet sitter or dog walker

Becoming a pet sitter or dog walker is a fun way of making cash if you're an animal-lover. Pet sitting involves caring for pets (typically dogs, cats, birds, fish and rabbits) while their owners are away, either staying in their house or visiting them every day,

feeding, cleaning and giving them company.

As a dog walker, your responsibilities are focused outside the house: taking dogs for walks and potentially to appointments, playing with them, and making sure they get outdoor exercise.

Estimated pay range: \$15–\$30 per hour

Required skills:

- A love and understanding of animals
- Reliability and responsibility in caring for pets
- Communication skills for interacting with pet owners
- Knowledge of basic pet care and health

You can sign up for casual pet-sitting and dog-walking roles through a number of dedicated online platforms like Rover.com. If you're looking for experience, search [pet attendant and groomer roles](#).

11. Mystery shopper

Mystery shopping is a flexible and fun way to make extra income – perfect for those who have experience in customer service. As a mystery shopper, you visit retail outlets – usually for big brands – to assess customer service quality, product knowledge of staff, store cleanliness and your overall experience. Your observations and feedback help businesses understand their strengths and areas needing improvement.

Estimated pay range: \$10–\$20 per assignment

Required skills:

- Attention to detail
- A good memory and strong observational skills
- Ability to provide clear, objective and detailed feedback
- Communication skills
- Discretion

[Find mystery shopper jobs across Australia.](#)

12. DJ/party entertainer

When it comes to fun part time jobs, you can't look past a side hustle as a DJ/ party entertainer. This role is all about providing music and MC skills at various events and parties, like weddings, corporate functions, nightclub events and birthday celebrations. As a DJ/party entertainer, you're responsible for setting the mood and ensuring guests have fun on the dancefloor.

Your job involves reading the crowd, selecting and mixing music that gets them dancing, and potentially making announcements and leading activities. The main objective is to keep the energy high and the party going. You can charge more if you provide your own equipment.

Estimated pay range: \$100 per hour

Required skills:

- DJ skills, including mixing and music selection
- Ability to engage and energise a crowd
- Broad knowledge of music genres and trends
- Good technical understanding of DJ equipment and sound systems

[Discover DJ/party entertainer jobs.](#)

13. Scuba diving instructor

Scuba diving instructor is a great option for people with an adventurous nature, good teaching skills, and a love of the sea. This career is about teaching people how to use scuba equipment so they can dive safely in a range of different underwater conditions. As a dive instructor, you not only teach diving techniques, but also guide excursions through beautiful marine environments. You'd be responsible for planning and leading dive trips, enforcing safety procedures, and making sure your students and dive buddies get the most out of their experience.

Estimated pay range: \$34 per hour

Required skills:

- Professional scuba diving certification
- Teaching credentials or experience in instructing

- Knowledge of marine biology and ecosystems
- Excellent communication and [leadership skills](#)

[Explore scuba diving instructor jobs.](#)

14. Fitness bootcamp trainer

If you're a fitness enthusiast who thrives in high-energy environments and enjoys motivating others, a job as a fitness bootcamp trainer might be for you. This career is centred around running high-intensity programs, usually of four to six weeks, where you lead groups through rigorous workout sessions. Your responsibilities include designing and implementing challenging cardio routines, motivating participants, and ensuring proper form and safety.

Estimated pay range: \$32 per hour

Required skills:

- Relevant fitness certification (e.g., personal training, group fitness)
- Strong leadership and motivational skills
- Ability to design and conduct high-intensity workouts
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills

[Find fitness instructor jobs.](#)

15. Tour guide

Being a tour guide is a fun and rewarding job, because you get to introduce travellers to new destinations and local insights that deepen their appreciation of a place. It's a career that combines customer service with elements of entertainment and exploration – great if you enjoy meeting new people and sharing a passion for travel. Tour guides can choose their location and their area of expertise, whether it's history, gastronomy, art or nature. A big benefit of this type of job is that it's not confined to a desk and involves interesting places and experiences.

Estimated pay range: \$36–\$45 per hour

Required skills:

- In-depth knowledge of the destination and the tour's focus area (history, food, art, etc.)

- Excellent communication and storytelling skills
- Ability to engage and entertain diverse groups of people
- Good organisation skills for planning and executing tours
- Patience and empathy
- Fluency in foreign languages is a plus

[Discover tour guide jobs.](#)

Finding a career you genuinely enjoy is about balancing your personal interests with your skills and financial needs. No all fun jobs are hard to get into – it all depends on your niche, your experience level and your perseverance. If you're wondering what sort of fun job is right for you, first consider your interests and how you might be able to leverage them into products or services – you might be surprised at the opportunities out there, to turn your passion into a profession.

FAQs

What are some fun jobs that pay well?

Some fun jobs that pay well include:

- Video game tester
- Social media influencer
- Professional food taster
- Theme park employee
- Event planner
- Travel blogger
- Personal shopper
- Fitness instructor
- Video content creator
- Pet sitter/dog walker
- Mystery shopper
- DJ/party entertainer
- Scuba diving instructor
- Fitness bootcamp trainer
- Specialised tour guide

What jobs are fun?

Fun jobs are those that align with your personal interests and passions. What's considered fun for one person may not be fun for another, so it's important to consider your own personal preferences. Jobs that are widely considered 'fun' have some shared characteristics, like offering variety, giving you engaging tasks, and working with like-minded people.

What are some fun part-time jobs for students?

For students, fun part-time jobs include roles like:

- [barista](#), where you can learn coffee art,
- [retail assistant](#) in a favourite store,
- [library assistant](#), for those who love books, and
- [tutor](#), sharing knowledge in a subject you excel in.

These jobs not only offer flexibility to accommodate study schedules, but also provide experience and enjoyment.

Where to find fun part-time jobs for teenagers?

Teenagers can find fun part-time jobs through local community boards, online job portals like SEEK, social media platforms and local businesses. There are a wide range of [online jobs for teens](#) that don't require much experience.