

Summary of incentives and allowances for Australian Apprentices / Trainees

Note: Eligibility criteria apply to all incentives and allowances. Australian and State Government incentives and allowances can be varied at any time without notice.

Apprentice Support	Overview	Amount	Paid at
Apprentice Trade Support Loans (TSL)	Available to Apprentices undertaking qualifications leading to occupations on the Trade Support Loans Priority List or undertaking Agriculture, and Horticulture qualifications where workplace postcode is on Rural/Regional Postcode List. Eligible Apprentices will have access to loans totalling up to \$21,542 over the course of the Apprenticeship to assist with the expenses associated with living, learning and completing an Apprenticeship.	\$8,617	12 monthly payments of \$718.07 1st year of training
		\$6,463	12 monthly payments of \$538.56 2nd year of training
		\$4,308	12 monthly payments of \$359.04 3rd year of training
		\$2,154	12 monthly payments of \$179.52 4th year of training
Australian Apprentice Incentives	Overview	Amount	Paid at
Living Away From Home Allowance (LAFHA)	Paid to the Australian Apprentice.	\$77.17	Per week 1st year rate
		\$38.59	Per week 2nd year rate
		\$25.00	Per Week 3rd year rate
Additional Identified Skills Shortage (AISS) Payment	An Additional Identified Skills Shortage (AISS) payment will be available to eligible apprentices in occupations experiencing national skill shortages. The AISS will target the following occupations: Carpenters and Joiners, Plumbers, Hairdressers, Airconditioning and Refrigeration Mechanics, Bricklayers and Stonemasons, Plasterers, Bakers and Pastrycooks, Vehicle Painters, Wall and Floor Tilers and Arborists.	\$1,000	at the 12 month point from commencement of apprenticeship
		\$1,000	after completing apprenticeship
Youth Allowance, Austudy and ABSTUDY	Australian Apprentices may be eligible to receive extra support from the Government, subject to the application of parental and personal income tests.	Contact Centrelink on 13 36 33	
Funded Training	State Government may subsidise the cost of the training component delivered by Registered Training Organisations (RTOs).	Contact your State Training Authority	
SA only	Travel and Accommodation Allowances for Australian Apprentices: For Australian Apprentices who travel more than 150km to attend courses in relation to their training program.	Contact your State Training Authority on 1800 673 097	
VIC only	Trade Apprentice Vehicle Discount: 50% off car registration renewal.	Contact VicRoads on 13 11 71	
NSW only	First, second and third year apprentices and new entrant trainees may be entitled to a Transport Concession Card.	Contact NSW Transport on 13 67 25	
	First and second year apprentices can receive a \$100 rebate on their car registration.	Contact NSW Government on 02 68 414 804	
TAS only	Travel and Accommodation Allowances for Australian Apprentices: For Australian Apprentices who travel more than 21 kms each way to attend courses in relation to their training program.	https://www.skills.tas.gov.au/learners/funding_available/funding/travel_and_accommodation_allowance_for_apprentices_and_trainees	
QLD only	Travel and Accommodation Allowances for Australian Apprentices: For Australian Apprentices who travel more than 50km to attend courses in relation to their training program.	https://desbt.qld.gov.au/training/apprentices/incentives/travel-accommodation	
Employers of Australian Apprentices with a Disability Incentives	Overview	Amount	Paid at
Assistance for Australian Apprentices with a Disability	Paid to Employer.	\$104.30	Per week - Wage Support (pro-rata for part-time)
Tutorial Assistance	Paid to the RTO.	\$38.50	Per hour (up to \$5,500 per year)
Mentor and/or Interpreter Assistance	Paid to the RTO.	\$38.50	Per hour (up to \$5,500 per year combined)
Employment Assistance Fund	Employers may be able to get financial help from the Australian Government for equipment, modifications and services to support their employees with disabilities.	To connect with your local JobAccess provider, call 1800 464 800	

LAFHA and TSL payments will be paid at the same rate whether the Australian Apprentice is full-time, part-time or school-based.
TSL rates are for payments from 1/7/2020 - 30/06/2021

Criteria and conditions apply for all incentives. This information is to be used as a guide only and is subject to change without notice. Information is current as of the 1st July 2020.

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