

List of Parental Occupations

Parental Occupation Definition:

Parental Occupation is defined as the **main** work undertaken by the parent/guardian.
If a parent/guardian has more than one job, report their main job.

Group 1: Senior management in large business organisation, government administration and defence, and qualified professionals

Senior executive/manager/department head in industry, commerce, media or other large organisation.

Public service manager (Section head or above), regional director, health/education/police/fire services administrator

Other administrator [school principal, faculty head/dean, library/museum/gallery director, research facility director]

Defence Forces Commissioned Officer

Professionals generally have degree or higher qualifications and experience in applying this knowledge to design, develop or operate complex systems; identify, treat and advise on problems; and teach others.

Health, Education, Law, Social Welfare, Engineering, Science, Computing professional

Business [management consultant, business analyst, accountant, auditor, policy analyst, actuary, valuer]

Air/sea transport [aircraft/ship's captain/officer/pilot, flight officer, flying instructor, air traffic controller]

Group 2: Other business managers, arts/media/sportspersons and associate professionals

Owner/manager of farm, construction, import/export, wholesale, manufacturing, transport, real estate business

Specialist manager [finance/engineering/production/personnel/industrial relations/sales/marketing]

Financial services manager [bank branch manager, finance/investment/insurance broker, credit/loans officer]

Retail sales/services manager [shop, petrol station, restaurant, club, hotel/motel, cinema, theatre, agency]

Arts/media/sports [musician, actor, dancer, painter, potter, sculptor, journalist, author, media presenter, photographer, designer, illustrator, proof reader, sportsman/woman, coach, trainer, sports official]

Associate professionals generally have diploma/technical qualifications and support managers and professionals.

Health, Education, Law, Social Welfare, Engineering, Science, Computing technician/associate professional

Business/administration [recruitment/employment/industrial relations/training officer, marketing/advertising specialist, market research analyst, technical sales representative, retail buyer, office/project manager]

Defence Forces senior Non-Commissioned Officer

Group 3: Tradesmen/women, clerks and skilled office, sales and service staff

Tradesmen/women generally have completed a 4 year Trade Certificate, usually by apprenticeship. All tradesmen/women are included in this group.

Clerks [bookkeeper, bank/PO clerk, statistical/actuarial clerk, accounting/claims/audit clerk, payroll clerk, recording/registry/filing clerk, betting clerk, stores/inventory clerk, purchasing/order clerk, freight/transport/shipping clerk, bond clerk, customs agent, customer services clerk, admissions clerk]

Skilled office, sales and service staff.

Office [secretary, personal assistant, desktop publishing operator, switchboard operator]

Sales [company sales representative, auctioneer, insurance agent/assessor/loss adjuster, market researcher]

Service [aged/disabled/refugee/child care worker, nanny, meter reader, parking inspector, postal worker, courier, travel agent, tour guide, flight attendant, fitness instructor, casino dealer/supervisor]

Group 4: Machine operators, hospitality staff, assistants, labourers and related workers

Drivers, mobile plant, production/processing machinery and other machinery operators.

Hospitality staff [hotel service supervisor, receptionist, waiter, bar attendant, kitchenhand, porter, housekeeper]

Office assistants, sales assistants and other assistants.

Office [typist, word processing/data entry/business machine operator, receptionist, office assistant]

Sales [sales assistant, motor vehicle/caravan/parts salesperson, checkout operator, cashier, bus/train conductor, ticket seller, service station attendant, car rental desk staff, street vendor, telemarketer, shelf stacker]

Assistant/aide [trades' assistant, school/teacher's aide, dental assistant, veterinary nurse, nursing assistant, museum/gallery attendant, usher, home helper, salon assistant, animal attendant]

Labourers and related workers

Defence Forces ranks below senior NCO not included above

Agriculture, horticulture, forestry, fishing, mining worker [farm overseer, shearer, wool/hide classer, farm hand, horse trainer, nurseryman, greenkeeper, gardener, tree surgeon, forestry/logging worker, miner, seafarer/fishing hand]

Other worker [labourer, factory hand, storeman, guard, cleaner, caretaker, laundry worker, trolley collector, car park attendant, crossing supervisor]