

CAREER

PAVER

Pavers, or surface labourers, are skilled workers who specialise in laying materials like bitumen and others on various surfaces including roads, driveways, garden paths, patios, runways, and parking lots. They handle tasks ranging from installing bricks, blocks, and stones in specific patterns to create strong and visually appealing surfaces. Pavers are versatile, able to work in different sectors like residential, construction, or civil projects.

WHAT DOES THIS JOB INVOLVE?

Surface preparation

Preparing the ground for pavement installation

Paver selection

Choosing appropriate paving materials (e.g., concrete, asphalt, bricks)

Pattern and layout

Arranging pavers in desired patterns

Cutting and shaping

Cutting pavers to fit edges or corners

Mortar or adhesive application

Applying mortar or adhesive for bonding

Leveling and alignment

Ensuring even and aligned pavers

Finishing and sealing

Applying finishes or sealants for protection and aesthetics

Quality control

Ensuring the final pavement meets quality standards

HOW DO I GET INTO THIS CAREER?

Starting as a paver usually involves gaining practical experience and seeking further education through technical training. The field offers various career paths, so the initial step is to find a company looking for trainees. Advancing in this career means enrolling in relevant Certificate III Technical Qualifications to enhance your skills.

SALARY EXPECTATIONS

Low \$51,800

Median \$74,500

High \$105,900

RECOMMENDED TRAINING

CERTIFICATE III IN BRICKLAYING AND BLOCKLAYING

CERTIFICATE III IN STONE MASONRY

CERTIFICATE III IN LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION

CERTIFICATE II IN RESOURCES AND INFRASTRUCTURE WORKPLACE PREPARATION

PRETRADE PROGRAM INCLUDING WORK EXPERIENCE

CERTIFICATE III IN CIVIL CONSTRUCTION (ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE)