

Industry training councils provide a direct link between Western Australian industry and the State Training Board. This infographic summarises industry feedback to the training council in March to May 2020.

JOBS LOST/IDLED*

Commercial cleaning (offices)
Security (events, casinos, bars and nightclubs)
Real estate property managers and sale representatives



JOBS IN DEMAND*

Commercial cleaning (health care and aged care)
Security (health facilities, shopping centres, quarantine centres)
Tele-interpreting in a health context

*Between March - May 2020 there were redundancies, suspensions, terminations or reduced hours.

*Between March - May 2020 there was increased demand for workers or increased hours for existing workers.

IMPACT OF COVID-19 MEASURES



BAN ON EVICTIONS

- The real estate industry has reported that tenants whose incomes have not been affected are refusing to pay rent under the impression they cannot be evicted. This creates stress for real estate staff and reduces income.



SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Many crowd controllers have been stood down due to event cancellations and nightclub, bar and casino closures.
- As more people work from home, office cleaning companies have experienced an 80% reduction in work, and have stood down many staff.



JOBKEEPER

- Many cleaners are on student or spousal visas, making them ineligible for government support.

"The shift in our economy and the enormity and expanse of COVID-19's impact on all industries is yet to be realised and measured."



HYGIENE

- The Cleaning Council WA has worked with an RTO to release an online course – *Clinical Cleaning (Infectious Cleaning)*.



SECURITY

- Demand for security has increased at health facilities, shopping centres and hotels being used as quarantine centres. Online training is not always available.

INDUSTRY MEASURES



REAL ESTATE INDUSTRY

- The real estate industry is seeking the introduction of rent assistance payments paid directly to the real estate agent or private landlord. This will prevent rent defaults and secure jobs, as property manager salaries are derived directly from rent payments.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- Local Government Professionals Australia WA is providing free webinars to assist local governments to prepare, plan and respond to the pandemic.

“It is extremely difficult to obtain qualitative information from industry as they focus on managing the changes that are adversely affecting their operations.”