Looking for a career in the Civil Service? Think you cut the mustard for a government position? Care to work in the NHS? Aiming for a role in the Armed Services? Seeking officer opportunities in the Police? Interested in being recruited for the Fire Service?

Public Sector jobs are varied and can take you down a number of different career paths. Here is an introduction to the sector and information about how to look for work across all areas.

For an overview of job roles and employers, see: www.prospects.ac.uk/job-and-work-experience/job-sectors/public-services-and-administration and targetjobs.co.uk/career-sectors/public-service-charity-and-social-work

www.essex.ac.uk/see/careerhub
**CIVIL SERVICE AND CENTRAL GOVERNMENT**

The Civil Service Fast Stream is a high profile recruitment programme [www.faststream.gov.uk](http://www.faststream.gov.uk/), but also look at other government departments, agencies and public bodies which may recruit.

View a list of them at: [www.gov.uk/government/organisations](http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations)

**Civil Service Job vacancies**
[www.civilservicejobs.service.gov.uk](http://www.civilservicejobs.service.gov.uk)

Here is a small selection of opportunities in departments and agencies:

- **Department for International Development**
  [www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development/about/recruitment](http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development/about/recruitment)

- **Government Social Research Service**
  [www.civilservice.gov.uk/networks/gsr](http://www.civilservice.gov.uk/networks/gsr)

- **Jobs in Parliament**
  [www.parliament.uk/about/working/jobs](http://www.parliament.uk/about/working/jobs)

**MIS**
[www.mi5.gov.uk/careers/opportunities/graduates](http://www.mi5.gov.uk/careers/opportunities/graduates)

**Work4MP**
[www.w4mp.org](http://www.w4mp.org/)

**Policy Jobs**
[https://policyjobs.net](http://https://policyjobs.net/)

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**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE**

National Health Service offers over 350 careers.

[www.healthcareers.nhs.uk](http://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk)

**NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme**
[www.nhsgraduates.co.uk](http://www.nhsgraduates.co.uk)

**NHS Scientist Training Programme (STP)**
[www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/not-studying-health-related-degree/nhs-scientist-training-programme](http://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/not-studying-health-related-degree/nhs-scientist-training-programme)

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

Local Government includes public housing, consumer protection and environmental health, roads and traffic management, planning and building control, and the arts, recreation and leisure.

- **A-Z of local councils**
  [www.gov.uk/find-your-local-council](http://www.gov.uk/find-your-local-council)

- **Public sector jobs in Essex**
  [www.workingforessex.com](http://www.workingforessex.com)

**National Graduate Development Programme**
[www.local.gov.uk/national-graduate-development-programme](http://www.local.gov.uk/national-graduate-development-programme)

**Jobs in local government, charity, education, housing**
[www.jobsgopublic.com](http://www.jobsgopublic.com)

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**SOCIAL WORK**

- **Frontline** – Two year elite graduate social work programme
  [www.thefrontline.org.uk](http://www.thefrontline.org.uk)

- **Think Ahead Grad scheme** – The Think Ahead programme is a new route into social work, for graduates wanting to make a difference to people with mental health problems
  [https://thinkahead.org](http://https://thinkahead.org)

**BASW Jobs**
[www.basw.co.uk/jobs](http://www.basw.co.uk/jobs)

- **Children & Young People Now**
  [www.cypnowjobs.co.uk/jobs](http://www.cypnowjobs.co.uk/jobs)

- **Community Care Jobs**
  [https://jobs.communitycare.co.uk](http://https://jobs.communitycare.co.uk)

- **Compass Jobs Fair London**
  [www.compassjobsfair.com](http://www.compassjobsfair.com)

- **Great Social Care**
  [www.greatsocialcare.co.uk/social-work-jobs](http://www.greatsocialcare.co.uk/social-work-jobs)

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**PROBATION AND PRISON SERVICE**

- **National Offender Management Service (NOMS) graduate programme**
  [www.gov.uk/guidance/noms-graduate-programme](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/noms-graduate-programme)

- **National Probation Service**
  [www.traintobeaprobationofficer.com](http://www.traintobeaprobationofficer.com)

- **Unlocked Grads**
  [unlockedgrads.org.uk](http://unlockedgrads.org.uk/)

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**ARMED FORCES AND EMERGENCY SERVICES**

For information on job roles see:

- **Prospects**

- **TargetJobs**
  [targetjobs.co.uk/career-sectors/public-service-charity-and-social-work](http://targetjobs.co.uk/career-sectors/public-service-charity-and-social-work)

- **Police Now Graduate Leadership Development Programme**
  [www.policenow.org.uk](http://www.policenow.org.uk)

- **Army Careers**
  [https://apply.army.mod.uk](http://https://apply.army.mod.uk)

- **Royal Air Forces Careers**
  [www.raf.mod.uk/recruitment](http://www.raf.mod.uk/recruitment)

- **Royal Navy Careers**
  [www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers](http://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers)

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