

# Career of the week

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### Retail Buyer

**Entry routes:** You'll usually need a degree or college qualification in retail or business. Some retail experience will also help.

Some companies offer buyer training schemes or management training schemes where you can specialise in buying.

You may also be able to work your way up from the shop floor to the role of buyer's administration assistant, then assistant or junior buyer.

You could start retail training through an apprenticeship.

#### Character virtues

responsibility, respect, resilience, compassion

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*Retail buyers choose products for shops to sell.*

**Buyers and procurement officers salary:** £32,972

**Working hours:** You'll usually work 35 to 40 hours, Monday to Friday, although tight deadlines can often mean working late.

**Business, media and public service professionals:**

**UK growth:** +7.6% an increase in 171,912 jobs from 2020-2035

**West Midlands growth:** +7.6% an increase of 13,163 jobs from 2020-2035

#### Key words

manage, negotiate, prices, orders, adapting, sales, stock, products, deliveries, checking, reacting, competitors