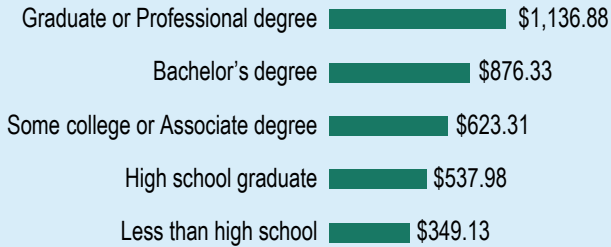


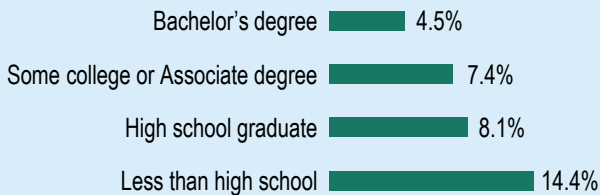
Education and training can benefit workers in their careers. Typically, the more education, the higher the weekly earnings and the lower the unemployment rate.

Median Weekly Earnings in Colorado



Based on Population 25 years and over with earnings

Unemployment Rates in Colorado



Based on Population 25 to 64 years

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2009 American Community Survey

Labor Market Information (LMI) in the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment collects and analyzes information about labor market trends throughout Colorado. Data are presented in a variety of ways: industry employment and wages, current and projected industry and occupation levels, occupation wages, and labor force employment and wages. LMI conducts various research projects and assists workforce centers and others with customized regional information requests.

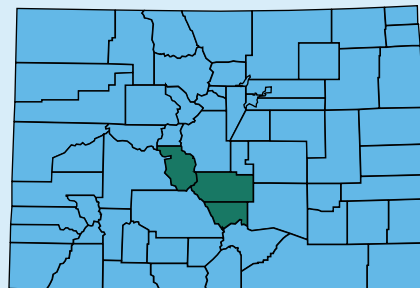
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www.coworkforce.com/LMIGateway

For Further Training
www.e-colorado.org

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Local Workforce Centers

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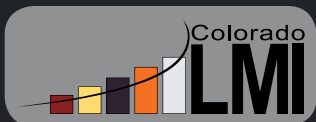
Colorado Careers

Know what jobs are expected to have the most openings.



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Based on Occupation Projections through 2020



Higher Education

Certificate/Associate Degree	Wage Range
• Nursing Aides, Orderlies, & Attendants	\$19,763 - \$24,855
• Registered Nurses	\$47,243 - \$66,954
• Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses	\$32,309 - \$41,480
• Pharmacy Technicians	\$20,961 - \$29,128
• Dental Hygienists	\$61,225 - \$69,049
• Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	\$19,081 - \$45,113
• Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers	\$35,111 - \$52,181
Bachelor's Degree	Wage Range
• Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education	\$33,239 - \$47,922
• Accountants & Auditors	\$35,665 - \$64,426
• Business Operations Specialists, All Other	\$35,074 - \$67,782
• Middle School Teachers, Except Special & Vocational Education	\$33,390 - \$42,959
• Secondary School Teachers, Except Special & Vocational Education	\$33,961 - \$48,341
Master's / Professional Degree	Wage Range
• Mental Health Counselors	N/A
• Pharmacists	\$71,043 - \$113,897

On-The-Job Training

Short-Term Training	Wage Range
• Retail Salespersons	\$16,736 - \$29,879
• Combined Food Preparation & Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	\$16,615 - \$19,095
• Receptionists & Information Clerks	\$18,885 - \$27,901
• Recreation Workers	\$17,095 - \$35,936
• Office Clerks, General	\$16,909 - \$25,938
• Cashiers	\$17,128 - \$19,894
• Waiters & Waitresses	\$15,995 - \$19,242
• Landscaping & Groundskeeping Workers	\$17,997 - \$27,282
• Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	\$17,076 - \$20,401
• Food Preparation Workers	\$17,704 - \$25,033
• Tellers	\$20,572 - \$27,696
• Teacher Assistants	\$20,477 - \$25,833
• Industrial Truck & Tractor Operators	\$19,121 - \$33,169
• Counter & Rental Clerks	\$17,051 - \$28,348

Short-Term Training: Short demonstration or up to 1 month work experience/instruction

Moderate-Term Training: 1-12 months combined work experience/informal training

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Moderate-Term Training	Wage Range
• Operating Engineers & Other Construction Equipment Operators	\$30,680 - \$48,440
• Bookkeeping, Accounting, & Auditing Clerks	\$17,517 - \$33,885
• Construction Laborers	\$21,007 - \$35,645
• Medical Assistants	\$22,127 - \$48,215
• Dental Assistants	\$24,090 - \$36,175
• Medical Secretaries	\$21,286 - \$27,768
• Cooks, Institution & Cafeteria	\$29,967 - \$51,205
• Customer Service Representatives	\$19,420 - \$34,605
• Social & Human Service Assistants	\$23,820 - \$41,213

Long-Term Training	Wage Range
• Correctional Officers & Jailers	\$39,405 - \$50,867
• Executive Secretaries & Administrative Assistants	\$31,658 - \$44,186
• Carpenters	\$21,308 - \$38,891
• First-Line Managers of Construction Trades & Extraction Workers	\$44,444 - \$64,359
• First-Line Managers of Personal Service Workers	\$35,235 - \$67,028
• Plumbers, Pipefitters, & Steamfitters	\$38,065 - \$57,895
• Electricians	\$20,845 - \$40,441

Long-Term Training: 12 plus months training or combined work experience/formal classroom instruction

Start Using This Information

Are you:

- Trying to decide what kind of job or career you would like?
- Considering a change in your current career direction?
- Interested in exploring further education or training but need a goal in mind?

Then the labor market information in this brochure could be helpful to you!

There are two Colorado Careers brochures:

- Jobs Requiring Higher Education
- Jobs Requiring On-The-Job Training

Each brochure is divided into levels of education and training required for entry-level employment in the listed occupations. You will want to begin your career decision making process by evaluating your interests, skills, and experience. Next, you will want to consider the number of job opportunities likely to be available to you. That's where this brochure can help.

First, review the lists of growing occupations as you narrow down your potential job choices. Secondly, look at the wage figures. This information comes directly from Colorado businesses in the geographic locations specified on your brochure. Wage information is important because your wages will determine your lifestyle. Notice that increased education and training can strongly affect wages.