Education Pays

Colorado Labor Market Information

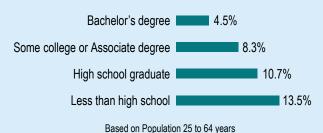
Higher Education

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



Unemployment Rates in Colorado



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2011 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.

For Further Information www.colmigateway

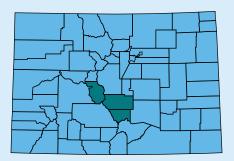
For Further Training www.e-colorado.org

For Job Opportunities www.connectingcolorado.com

Local Workforce Centers

To find your local workforce center (303) 318-8850

www.coworkforce.com/EMP/WFCs.asp



Colorado Careers

Know what jobs are expected to have the most openings.



Central Colorado

Based on Occupation Projections through 2021









Higher Education

Colorado Careers



Certificate/Associate Degree	Wage Range	Bachelor's Degree	Wage Range	Master's / Professional Degree	Wage Range
Registered Nurses	\$50,827 - \$68,200	Elementary School Teachers	\$33,092 - \$48,152	Physical Therapists	\$54,253 - \$77,808
Forest & Conservation Technicians	\$26,792 - \$37,734	Middle School Teachers	\$33,314 - \$43,513	Family & General Practitioners	\$96,214 - \$154,432
Licensed Practical		Accountants & Auditors	\$34,008 - \$62,405	• Lawyers	\$50,648 - \$115,698
& Licensed Vocational Nurses	\$35,631 - \$44,693	Civil Engineers	\$50,866 - \$78,213	Pharmacists	\$99,388 - \$114,480
General & Operations Managers	\$50,541 - \$97,004	Secondary School Teachers	\$33,481 - \$49,244	Healthcare Social Workers	\$38,939 - \$56,163
Veterinary Technologists& Technicians	\$21,445 - \$33,549	Recreation Workers	\$17,300 - \$41,104	Education Administrators,	
Dental Assistants	\$24,776 - \$37,468	Management Analysts	\$34,718 - \$77,933	Elementary & Secondary School	\$52,042 - \$74,195
Dental Hygienists	\$66,098 - \$71,408	Graphic Designers	\$23,261 - \$34,197	Physicians & Surgeons, All Other	\$145,355 - \$235,027
Preschool Teachers	\$21,652 - \$33,355	Kindergarten Teachers	\$33,853 - \$47,932	Clinical, Counseling, & School Psychologists	\$59,671 - \$115,968
Respiratory Therapists	\$42,288 - \$56,173	 Social & Community Service Managers 	\$34,625 - \$56,817	Occupational Therapists	\$53,574 - \$71,535
Paralegals & Legal Assistants	\$43,619 - \$65,761	Special Education Teachers,		Physician Assistants	\$83,393 - \$98,513
 Medical Records & Health Information Technicians 	\$29,874 - \$46,095	Preschool, Kindergarten, & Elementary School	\$36,848 - \$50,930	Marriage & Family Therapists	\$29,657 - \$52,260
Library Technicians	\$19,602 - \$30,964	Public Relations Specialists	\$25,685 - \$56,524	Speech-Language Pathologists	\$60,773 - \$77,505
Architectural & Civil Drafters	\$37,423 - \$56,018	Training & Development Specialists	\$30,064 - \$70,422	Dentists, General	\$121,280 - \$139,860
Eligibility Interviewers, Government Programs	\$32,228 - \$39,353	 Network & Computer Systems Administrators 	\$34,086 - \$59,857	Instructional Coordinators	\$51,033 - \$78,839
First-Line Supervisors of Production & Operating Workers	\$31,183 - \$61,211	Human Resources, Training, & Labor Relations Specialists	\$31,089 - \$62,875		

Start Using This Information

Are your

- 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.

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