Colorado Labor Market Information

Higher Education

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

2017 Median Annual Earnings in Colorado

Graduate or Professional degree \$71,097

Bachelor's degree \$52,484

Some college or Associate degree \$36,190

High school graduate \$30,624

Less than high school \$23,031

Based on Population 25 years and over with earnings

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

Unemployment Rates in Colorado

Bachelor's degree 2.4%

Some college or Associate degree 2.3%

High school graduate 4.2%

Less than high school 2.4%

Based on Population 25 years and over

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics Current Population Survey
October 2017 - September 2018

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.com

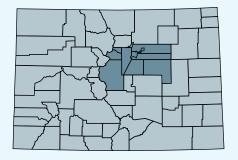
For Further Training www.collegeincolorado.org

For Job Opportunities www.connectingcolorado.com

Local Workforce Centers

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

www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdle/node/21591



Colorado Careers

Know what jobs are expected to have the most openings.



Denver Metro

Based on Occupation Projections through 2027







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Certificate/Associate Degree	Wage Range	Bachelor's Degree	Wage Range	Master's / Professional Degree	Wage Range
Massage Therapists	\$24,248 - \$60,253	Registered Nurses	\$56,296 - \$84,427	• Lawyers	\$72,263 - \$189,481
Nursing Assistants	\$28,642 - \$37,000	Software Developers, Applications	\$75,940 - \$126,627	Health Specialties Teachers,	ФСО ГО4 — Ф400 470
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	\$ \$36,869 - \$61,466	General & Operations Managers	\$64,434 - \$192,088	Postsecondary	\$60,531 - \$188,479
Medical Assistants	\$31,226 - \$41,857	Accountants & Auditors	\$51,661 - \$100,761	Physical Therapists	\$56,494 - \$90,606
Hairdressers, Hairstylists,& Cosmetologists	\$19,827 - \$33,379	Business Operations Specialists	\$51,300 - \$102,750	Mental Health Counselors	\$31,466 - \$61,160
Heating, Air Conditioning,		Market Research Analysts		Physician Assistants	\$78,331 - \$114,382
& Refrigeration Mechanics & Installers	\$38,062 - \$66,137	& Marketing Specialists	\$44,494 - \$98,328	Nurse Practitioners	\$85,327 - \$121,768
Paralegals & Legal Assistants	\$38,503 - \$67,247	Elementary School Teachers	\$40,025 - \$64,901	Pharmacists	\$91,578 - \$136,470
Preschool Teachers	\$21,912 - \$35,246	Construction Managers	\$53,458 - \$120,597	Clinical, Counseling, & School Psychologists	\$44,092 - \$98,426
Dental Assistants	\$29,518 - \$48,461	 Software Developers, Systems Software 	\$87,684 - \$151,109	Family & General Practitioners	\$145,991 - \$292,802
 Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics 	\$23,941 - \$55,591	Management Analysts	\$61,864 - \$117,092	Occupational Therapists	\$67,352 - \$97,493
Dental Hygienists	\$69,934 - \$93,957	Secondary School Teachers	\$43,246 - \$68,983	Healthcare Social Workers	\$40,721 - \$64,997
Veterinary Technologists Technicians	\$27,691 - \$38,356	Civil Engineers	\$61,902 - \$107,963	• Educational, Guidance, School, & Vocational Counselors	\$35,620 - \$62,438
Emergency Medical Technicians & Paramedics	\$31,778 - \$57,780	 Securities, Commodities, & Financial Services Sales Agents 	\$37,161 - \$110,748	Speech-Language Pathologists	\$69,368 - \$103,720
Radiologic Technologists	\$49,512 - \$75,947	Financial Managers	\$106,698 - \$210,185	Instructional Coordinators	\$49,784 - \$79,781
Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses	\$45,626 - \$58,448	Human Resources Specialists	\$43,398 - \$85,496	• Dentists	\$100,519 - \$222,773

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. Each list includes the occupations with the largest projected change in employment. That's where this brochure can help.

First, review the lists of growing occupations as you narrow down your potential job choices. Second, 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 can determine your lifestyle. Notice that increased education and training can strongly affect wages.

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