Education Pays

Colorado Labor Market Information

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Know what jobs are expected to have the most openings.

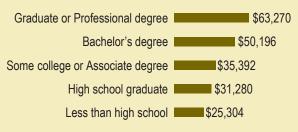


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Based on Occupation Projections through 2025

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

2015 Median Annual Earnings in Colorado



Based on Population 25 years and over with earnings

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

Unemployment Rates in Colorado



Based on Population 25 years and over

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics Current Population Survey November 2015 - October 2016 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

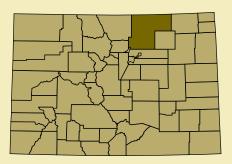
For Further Training www.collegeincolorado.org

For Job Opportunities www.connectingcolorado.com

Local Workforce Centers

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

www.coworkforce.com/EMP/WFCs.asp









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Certificate/Associate Degree	Wage Range	Bachelor's Degree	Wage Range	Master's / Professional Degree	Wage Range
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	\$34,862 - \$49,771	Registered Nurses	\$54,666 - \$78,077	Physical Therapists	\$46,329 - \$85,737
Nursing Assistants	\$21,357 - \$29,508	General & Operations Managers	\$47,386 - \$153,861	• Lawyers	\$48,680 - \$141,361
Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	\$26,772 - \$51,477	Elementary School Teachers	\$35,334 - \$53,060	 Educational, Guidance, School, & Vocational Counselors 	\$38,813 - \$53,423
Preschool Teachers	\$20,065 - \$29,625	Accountants & Auditors	\$44,342 - \$87,214	• Art, Drama, & Music Teachers,	
Medical Assistants	\$27,073 - \$33,664	Business Operations Specialists	\$36,892 - \$80,434	Postsecondary	\$32,512 - \$63,143
Heating, Air Conditioning,		Education, Training,		Veterinarians	\$57,854 - \$83,039
& Refrigeration Mechanics & Installers	\$35,218 - \$67,924	& Library Workers	\$22,531 - \$26,700	Education Administrators, Elementary & Secondary School	\$66,552 - \$95,404
• Firefighters	\$27,380 - \$48,988	Secondary School Teachers	\$37,674 - \$55,485	Healthcare Social Workers	\$32,432 - \$49,052
Licensed Practical & Licensed		Middle School Teachers	\$36,200 - \$53,155	Clinical, Counseling,	. , . ,
Vocational Nurses	\$38,921 - \$51,513	Market Research Analysts		& School Psychologists	\$47,575 - \$82,335
Electrical & Electronics Repairers, Commercial & Industrial Equipment	\$30,750 - \$63,138	& Marketing Specialists	\$31,318 - \$70,850	Nurse Practitioners	\$83,515 - \$113,207
Paralegals & Legal Assistants	\$27,854 - \$48,901	Cost Estimators	\$37,019 - \$69,414	• Librarians	\$40,971 - \$65,693
Library Technicians	\$25,396 - \$37,227	Construction Managers	\$55,160 - \$96,761	Occupational Therapists	\$65,722 - \$95,012
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Veterinary Technologists& Technicians	\$27,966 - \$34,087	Civil Engineers	\$54,956 - \$99,127	Specialists	\$32,716 - \$69,148
Dental Assistants	\$33,073 - \$46,261		φο 1,000 - φου, 121	Speech-Language Pathologists	\$56,123 - \$88,560
Dental Hygienists	\$71,374 - \$78,171	 Child, Family, & School Social Workers 	\$34,293 - \$63,623	Mental Health Counselors	\$26,646 - \$50,998
Mechanical Drafters	\$41,551 - \$65,082	Human Resources Specialists	\$38,480 - \$74,001	• Pharmacists	\$103,346 - \$128,294

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. 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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