



COLORADO CAREER OUTLOOK

HIGHER EDUCATION *Pueblo*

Based on Occupational projections through 2031



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Are you searching for a new career path or looking for that perfect job?

You can use the information in this flyer to help you plan and make informed decisions based on your interests and lifestyle. This overview provides information based on wages and projected demand for occupations within the next 10 years, along with the level of education or training needed for entry-level employment in these fields.

Education Pays

Further education and training may be a great benefit to your career. Typically, more education results in higher weekly earnings and lower unemployment rates.

2019 Median Annual Earnings in Colorado

Graduate or Professional degree	\$71,561
Bachelor's degree	\$55,870
Associate degree or some college	\$40,012
High school graduate or GED	\$35,143
Less than a high school diploma	\$29,258

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Colorado Unemployment Rates by Educational Attainment

Less than a high school diploma	8.5%
High school graduate, no college	5.4%
Some college or associate degree	5.4%
Bachelor's degree and higher	3.1%

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey. Note: Data is based on a 12-month average from January 2021 to December 2021 and includes individuals 25 years and over.

Colorado Labor Market Information

The Office of Labor Market Information (LMI) within the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment collects and analyzes information about labor market trends throughout Colorado.

- For more labor market information, visit colmigateway.com
- For more career and education planning, visit mycoloradojourney.com
- For job opportunities, visit connectingcolorado.com

Colorado Workforce Centers

Visit cdle.colorado.gov/wfc to find the most convenient workforce center for you.

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Certificate / Associate Degree

Occupational Title	Wage Range
Physical Therapist Assistants	\$41,420 - \$64,960
Phlebotomists	\$31,950 - \$40,840
Medical Assistants	\$29,600 - \$39,330
Nursing Assistants	\$28,850 - \$35,660
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	\$36,510 - \$55,140
Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	\$37,600 - \$58,600
Dental Assistants	\$30,780 - \$43,870
Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education	\$26,810 - \$38,130
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	\$41,390 - \$61,330

Bachelor's Degree

Occupational Title	Wage Range
Substance Abuse, Behavioral Disorder, and Mental Health Counselors	\$35,600 - \$61,450
Clinical Laboratory Technologists and Technicians	\$36,500 - \$67,410
Child, Family, and School Social Workers	\$35,700 - \$53,710
Registered Nurses	\$58,150 - \$86,200
Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists	\$37,470 - \$79,870
Special Education Teachers, Kindergarten and Elementary School	\$44,780 - \$62,040
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Career/Technical Education	\$44,450 - \$70,720
Middle School Teachers, Except Special and Career/Technical Education	\$43,590 - \$67,560
Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education	\$43,210 - \$67,650
Compliance Officers	\$44,610 - \$75,970

Master's / Professional Degree

Occupational Title	Wage Range
Nurse Practitioners	\$87,730 - \$133,280
Health Specialties Teachers, Postsecondary	\$46,090 - \$125,850
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Social Workers	\$38,100 - \$63,130
Educational, Guidance, School, and Vocational Counselors	\$45,690 - \$67,320