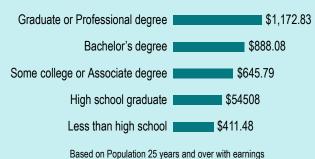
Education Pays

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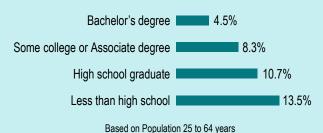
Higher Education

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

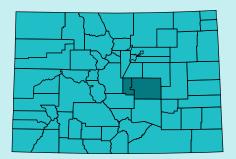
For Further Training www.e-colorado.org

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.



Colorado Springs

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	\$51,511 - \$73,802	Elementary School Teachers	\$34,201 - \$51,588	Physical Therapists	\$55,173 - \$79,333
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, & Attendants	\$20,638 - \$28,142	Middle School Teachers Secondary School Teachers	\$32,955 - \$50,518 \$35,311 - \$51,921	Education Administrators, Elementary & Secondary School	/ \$64,336 - \$89,742
Preschool Teachers Dental Assistants	\$19,371 - \$34,657 \$22,307 - \$39,130	Software Developers, Systems Software	\$77,317 - \$114,726	Clinical, Counseling, & School Psychologists	\$40,736 - \$92,067
Dental Hygienists	\$43,273 - \$78,207	Software Developers, Applications	\$60,588 - \$101,957	Educational, Guidance, School,	
Hairdressers, Hairstylists, & Cosmetologists	\$17,216 - \$29,857	 Network and Computer Systems Administrators 	\$49,385 - \$83,996	& Vocational Counselors • Instructional Coordinators	\$38,042 - \$55,288 \$45,586 - \$83,547
 Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses 	\$34,276 - \$46,106	Management Analysts	\$51,448 - \$108,836	Mental Health Counselors	\$31,116 - \$51,829
Massage Therapists	\$20,941 - \$48,005	 Special Education Teachers, Preschool, Kindergarten, & Elementary School 	\$37,322 - \$52,308	Speech-Language Pathologists	\$61,493 - \$95,999
Emergency Medical Technicians & Paramedics	\$22,841 - \$40,300	Kindergarten Teachers	\$34,033 - \$48,900	• Pharmacists	\$84,606 - \$117,266
Radiologic Technologists Technicians	\$41,037 - \$60,501	Accountants & Auditors	\$35,799 - \$73,124	Family & General Practitioners Dentists, General	\$58,597 - \$179,823 \$82,621 - \$163,782
Health Technologists & Technicians Medical Records & Health	\$26,040 - \$42,278	Vocational Education Teachers, Postsecondary	\$35,151 - \$65,261	Physicians & Surgeons	\$129,526 - \$216,796
Information Technicians • Library Technicians	\$25,790 - \$43,846 \$23,491 - \$34,336	Computer Systems Analysts Teachers and Instructors	\$58,648 - \$99,789 \$36,276 - \$61,783	Occupational Therapists	\$59,547 - \$81,783
Veterinary Technologists Technicians	\$26,963 - \$36,151	Child, Family, & School Social Workers	\$29,173 - \$52,423	Physician Assistants	\$71,085 - \$90,879
Heating, Air Conditioning, & Refrigeration Mechanics & Installers	\$37,733 - \$55,383	Market Research Analysts & Marketing Specialists	\$30,675 - \$82,011	Business Teachers, Postsecondary Librarians	\$40,510 - \$112,285 \$42,975 - \$80,392

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.

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