Education Pays

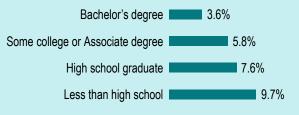
Colorado Labor Market Information

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

Median Weekly Earnings in Colorado



Unemployment Rates in Colorado



Based on population age 25 to 64 years

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013 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.

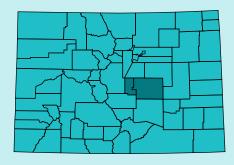
For Further Information *www.colmigateway.com*

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



Higher Education



Know what jobs are expected to have the most openings.



Colorado Springs

Based on Occupation Projections through 2023



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Higher Education

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Wage Range

Bachelor's Degree



Colorado Springs

Certificate/Associate Degree	Wage Range
Registered Nurses	\$51,109 - \$72,313
Nursing Assistants	\$21,728 - \$28,994
Medical Assistants	\$25,195 - \$32,141
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	\$31,638 - \$44,585
 Hairdressers, Hairstylists, & Cosmetologists 	\$17,679 - \$30,969
Dental Assistants	\$22,843 - \$41,302
Dental Hygienists	\$56,207 - \$74,866
Preschool Teachers	\$20,331 - \$32,933
Massage Therapists	\$22,100 - \$45,791
Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses	\$37,513 - \$47,412
Heating, Air Conditioning, & Refrigeration Mechanics & Installers	\$38,310 - \$56,703
Emergency Medical Technicians & Paramedics	\$24,559 - \$38,899
Web Developers	\$29,922 - \$68,050
Radiologic Technologists	\$41,636 - \$58,835
Firefighters	\$29,851 - \$49,198

Bachelor's Degree	Wage Kange
General & Operations Managers	\$54,538 - \$137,647
Elementary School Teachers	\$33,189 - \$50,891
Accountants & Auditors	\$38,370 - \$74,820
Market Research Analysts & Marketing Specialists	\$33,973 - \$81,060
Middle School Teachers	\$33,124 - \$50,450
Software Developers, Applications	\$61,890 - \$117,538
Computer Systems Analysts	\$67,124 - \$107,573
Secondary School Teachers	\$34,753 - \$51,760
Cost Estimators	\$34,205 - \$65,591
Child, Family, & School Social Workers	\$27,120 - \$48,009
Software Developers, Systems Software	\$75,357 - \$121,051
Loan Officers	\$44,360 - \$98,719
Interpreters & Translators	\$33,663 - \$47,317
Training & Development Specialists	\$35,821 - \$80,403
Network & Computer Systems Administrators	\$55,273 - \$85,589

	Master's / Professional Degree	Wage Range
7	Physical Therapists	\$62,778 - \$84,763
	Mental Health Counselors	\$36,397 - \$61,202
	 Educational, Guidance, School, & Vocational Counselors 	\$33,783 - \$51,575
I	Nurse Practitioners	\$37,444 - \$91,104
I	Occupational Therapists	\$57,979 - \$84,526
8	Healthcare Social Workers	\$29,902 - \$52,006
3	Physician Assistants	\$77,403 - \$93,120
	Pharmacists	\$100,634 - \$125,605
	Speech-Language Pathologists	\$61,053 - \$105,434
	Clinical, Counseling, & School Psychologists	\$34,432 - \$78,365
1	Education Administrators, Elementary & Secondary School	\$63,041 - \$89,319
	Instructional Coordinators	\$42,837 - \$86,838
	Community & Social Service Specialists, All Other	\$26,844 - \$45,674
	Family & General Practitioners	\$60,144 - \$143,178
	Physicians & Surgeons, All Other	\$128,405 - \$224,471

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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