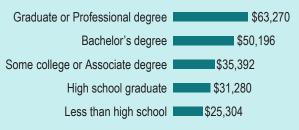
### **Education Pays**

## 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.

### 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



# Colorado Careers

Know what jobs are expected to have the most openings.



## **Colorado Springs**

Based on Occupation Projections through 2025







Higher Education

### Colorado Careers



### Colorado Springs

Certificate/Associate Degree	Wage Range	Bachelor's Degree	Wage Range	Master's / Professional Degree	Wage Range
Nursing Assistants	\$21,268 - \$28,088	Registered Nurses	\$53,474 - \$72,245	Physical Therapists	\$62,916 - \$88,594
Preschool Teachers	\$20,960 - \$33,958	Software Developers,		Mental Health Counselors	\$34,849 - \$65,104
Medical Assistants	\$25,866 - \$33,388	Systems Software	\$79,640 - \$129,170	Clinical, Counseling,	
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	\$29,487 - \$45,484	Software Developers, Applications	\$69,336 - \$121,528	& School Psychologists	\$38,349 - \$82,283
Dental Assistants	\$26,057 - \$40,666	General & Operations Managers	\$50,914 - \$146,449	• Lawyers	\$61,518 - \$146,968
Hairdressers, Hairstylists,     & Cosmetologists	\$18,357 - \$30,048	Business Operations Specialists	\$43,240 - \$94,776	Educational, Guidance, School,     & Vocational Counselors	\$36,367 - \$52,762
Automotive Service Technicians		Accountants & Auditors	\$38,588 - \$79,488	Healthcare Social Workers	\$33,084 - \$52,590
& Mechanics	\$26,857 - \$54,569	Elementary School Teachers	\$33,478 - \$51,080	Occupational Therapists	\$65,032 - \$105,272
Emergency Medical Technicians     & Paramedics	\$21,858 - \$40,528	Secondary School Teachers	\$35,583 - \$52,480	Nurse Practitioners	\$79,536 - \$101,985
Heating, Air Conditioning,     & Refrigeration Mechanics & Installer	s \$42,897 - \$57,851	Market Research Analysts     & Marketing Specialists	\$28,984 - \$76,472	Education Administrators,     Elementary & Secondary School	\$67,335 - \$93,947
Web Developers	\$34,900 - \$70,717	Computer Systems Analysts	\$55,946 - \$107,088	Community & Social Service	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Licensed Practical		Network & Computer		Specialists	\$30,541 - \$52,475
& Licensed Vocational Nurses	\$38,334 - \$49,614	Systems Administrators	\$49,659 - \$86,338	Pharmacists	\$68,322 - \$126,669
<ul> <li>Veterinary Technologists</li> <li>&amp; Technicians</li> </ul>	\$25,232 - \$33,952	Middle School Teachers	\$34,331 - \$51,200	Physician Assistants	\$80,084 - \$104,013
Dental Hygienists	\$65,796 - \$77,834	• Managers	\$69,729 - \$137,118	Physicians & Surgeons	\$133,147 - \$276,678
Computer Network Support Specialis	ts \$42,739 - \$92,171	Management Analysts	\$47,814 - \$107,461	Speech-Language Pathologists	\$62,404 - \$98,501
Radiologic Technologists	\$44,947 - \$66,001	Computer Hardware Engineers	\$82,601 - \$133,993	Veterinarians	\$61,240 - \$88,651

#### **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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