### 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.

### 2016 Median Annual Earnings in Colorado



Based on Population 25 years and over with earnings

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2016 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
September 2016 - August 2017

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.colorado.gov/pacific/cdle/node/21591



# Colorado Careers

Know what jobs are expected to have the most openings.



## **Colorado Springs**

Based on Occupation Projections through 2026







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## Colorado Springs

Certificate/Associate Degree	Wage Range	Bachelor's Degree	Wage Range	Master's / Professional Degree	Wage Range
Nursing Assistants	\$21,831 - \$29,234	Registered Nurses	\$53,604 - \$73,530	Physical Therapists	\$61,083 - \$92,799
Medical Assistants	\$27,050 - \$35,463	Business Operations Specialists	\$45,806 - \$96,078	Clinical, Counseling,     & School Psychologists	\$38,713 - \$84,577
<ul> <li>Hairdressers, Hairstylists, &amp; Cosmetologists</li> </ul>	\$19,000 - \$36,274	Software Developers, Applications	\$69,798 - \$124,643	Mental Health Counselors	\$31,635 - \$55,091
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	s \$31,689 - \$48,419	General & Operations Managers	\$51,860 - \$151,487	Educational, Guidance, School,	
Preschool Teachers	\$21,259 - \$35,325	Elementary School Teachers	\$34,124 - \$52,104	& Vocational Counselors	\$38,794 - \$54,110
Dental Assistants	\$26,742 - \$39,919	Software Developers,     Systems Software	\$82,077 - \$130,383	Education Administrators, Elementary & Secondary School	\$67,606 - \$95,175
Licensed Practical     Licensed Vocational Nurses	\$35,921 - \$48,086	Secondary School Teachers	\$36,298 - \$53,604	Community & Social Service Specialists	\$29,366 - \$54,567
Automotive Service Technicians     Mechanics	\$30,759 - \$58,247	<ul><li>Market Research Analysts</li><li>&amp; Marketing Specialists</li></ul>	\$28,891 - \$75,257	Healthcare Social Workers	\$29,865 - \$51,667
Web Developers	\$34,407 - \$67,946	Computer Systems Analysts	\$57,655 - \$112,686	• Lawyers	\$62,852 - \$149,827
Firefighters	\$28,922 - \$50,918	Managers	\$75,466 - \$147,312	Speech-Language Pathologists	\$54,515 - \$99,204
Veterinary Technologists	<b>#05 000 #00 007</b>	Middle School Teachers	\$35,192 - \$52,091	Occupational Therapists	\$69,210 - \$121,089
& Technicians	\$25,963 - \$38,907			Physician Assistants	\$69,963 - \$106,699
<ul> <li>Heating, Air Conditioning,</li> <li>&amp; Refrigeration Mechanics &amp; Installer</li> </ul>	rs \$43,592 - \$60,038	Management Analysts	\$53,678 - \$104,061	• Pharmacists	\$73,577 - \$126,834
Physical Therapist Assistants	\$32,763 - \$57,598	Network & Computer     Systems Administrators	\$47,736 - \$89,568	Instructional Coordinators	\$44,019 - \$89,703
Phlebotomists	\$24,910 - \$38,556	Computer Occupations	\$58,458 - \$97,228	Rehabilitation Counselors	\$25,260 - \$53,022
Medical Records     & Health Information Technicians	\$28,498 - \$43,586	Securities, Commodities,     & Financial Services Sales Agents	\$28,048 - \$95,488	Education Administrators,     Postsecondary	\$39,413 - \$87,007

#### **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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Source: 2016 Occupational Employment Statistics