

COLORADO CAREER OUTLOOK

HIGHER EDUCATION

Colorado Springs

Based on Occupational projections through 2031



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	

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Colorado Unemployment Rates by Educational Attainment

Less than a high school diploma8.5	5%
High school graduate, no college5.4	
Some college or associate degree	
Bachelor's degree and higher	
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

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Certificate / Associate Degree	
Occupational Title	Wage Range
Physical Therapist Assistants	\$42,730 - \$67,060
Veterinary Technologists and Technicians	\$31,290 - \$41,690
Phlebotomists	\$33,390 - \$41,880
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	\$38,570 - \$55,480
Massage Therapists	\$35,160 - \$54,430
Medical Assistants	\$33,090 - \$41,520
Paralegals and Legal Assistants	\$40,340 - \$61,670
Nursing Assistants	\$29,460 - \$37,070
Radiologic Technologists	\$49,630 - \$71,130
Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education	\$27,870 - \$39,690

Bachelor's Degree	
Occupational Title	Wage Range
Information Security Analysts	\$69,390 - \$125,520
Interpreters and Translators	\$51,110 - \$80,170
Logisticians	\$63,590 - \$103,130
Software Developers and Software Quality Assurance Analysts and Testers	\$68,370 - \$131,350
Substance Abuse, Behavioral Disorder, and Mental Health Counselors	\$33,350 - \$61,170
Management Analysts	\$62,930 - \$112,420
Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists	\$37,920 - \$87,550
Coaches and Scouts	\$28,450 - \$64,420
Computer Network Architects	\$76,340 - \$132,010
Training and Development Specialists	\$38,300 - \$87,520

Master's / Professional Degree	
Occupational Title	Wage Range
Nurse Practitioners	\$82,860 - \$119,000
Physician Assistants	\$88,550 - \$126,480
Speech-Language Pathologists	\$69,010 - \$103,130
Physical Therapists	\$59,990 - \$99,350
Occupational Therapists	\$68,770 - \$99,130
Lawyers	\$47,900 - \$137,710
Healthcare Social Workers	\$37,690 - \$67,560
Educational, Guidance, School, and Vocational Counselors	\$43,810 - \$61,650
Instructional Coordinators	\$49,280 - \$82,530
Art, Drama, and Music Teachers, Postsecondary	\$40,200 - \$81,810