Education Pays

Colorado Labor Market Information

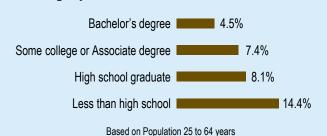
On-The-Job Training

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, 2009 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.coworkforce.com/LMIGateway

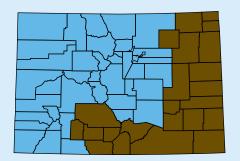
For Further Training www.e-colorado.org

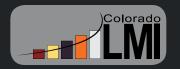
For Job Opportunities www.connectingcolorado.com

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.



Eastern & Southern Colorado

Based on Occupation
Projections through 2020



On-The-Job Training

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Eastern & Southern Colorado

Short-Term Training	Wage Range	Moderate-Term Training	Wage Range	Long-Term Training	Wage Range
• Farmworkers & Laborers,	N/A	Wellhead Pumpers	\$28,520 - \$47,317	Correctional Officers & Jailers	N/A
Crop, Nursery, & Greenhouse • Janitors & Cleaners, Except Maids	N/A	Customer Service Representatives	\$16,743 - \$26,688	• First-Line Managers of Construction Trades & Extraction Workers	\$34,904 - \$63,215
& Housekeeping Cleaners	\$16,806 - \$26,148	Bookkeeping, Accounting, & Auditing Clerks	\$17,959 - \$33,068	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	\$23,970 - \$42,708
Personal & Home Care Aides	\$16,780 - \$23,085	Medical Assistants	\$20,654 - \$28,235	Electrical Power-Line Installers & Repairers	\$44,808 - \$66,152
Retail Salespersons	\$17,016 - \$27,089	Operating Engineers & Other	Ψ20,004 Ψ20,200	Executive Secretaries & Administrative Assistants	\$23,478 - \$43,580
• Tellers	\$21,178 - \$24,580	Construction Equipment Operators	\$24,312 - \$39,384	First-Line Managers of Retail	\$23,470 - \$43,500
Teacher Assistants Description of Information Clarks	\$18,077 - \$25,994	Truck Drivers, Heavy & Tractor-Trailer	\$25,012 - \$43,630	Sales Workers	\$22,803 - \$38,241
Receptionists & Information ClerksCombined Food Preparation	\$16,745 - \$24,476	Cooks, Institution & Cafeteria	\$17,192 - \$34,866	 Managers, All Other Sales Representatives, Services,	\$33,636 - \$72,295
& Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	\$16,403 - \$17,444	Social & Human Service Assistants	\$18,717 - \$29,245	All Other	\$22,534 - \$62,367
Office Clerks, General	\$17,983 - \$29,292	 Paving, Surfacing, & Tamping Equipment Operators 	\$29,162 - \$36,925	 Machinists First-Line Managers of Transportation	\$25,187 - \$37,456
Child Care Workers	\$16,770 - \$25,524	Bus Drivers, School	\$22,940 - \$33,733	& Material-Moving Machine & Vehicle Operators	\$25,774 - \$54,511
Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	\$16,742 - \$18,896	Entertainment Attendants		Water & Liquid Waste Treatment Plant & System Operators	\$16,901 - \$34,922
Food Preparation Workers	\$17,065 - \$23,471	& Related Workers, All Other	\$17,181 - \$22,057	First-Line Managers of Helpers.	
Counter & Rental Clerks	\$18,090 - \$28,351	Bus Drivers, Transit & Intercity	\$16,978 - \$17,988	Laborers, & Material Movers, Hand • First-Line Managers, Protective	\$33,904 - \$58,588
Landscaping & Groundskeeping Workers	\$16,669 - \$28,162			Service Workers, All Other	\$35,564 - \$53,352
Interviewers, Except Eligibility & Loar				Cabinetmakers & Bench Carpenters Cap Plant Operators	\$17,699 - \$29,141
Short-Term Training: Short demonstration or up to 1 m		Moderate-Term Training: 1-12 months combined work experience/informal training		 Gas Plant Operators Long-Term Training: 12 plus months training or combined 	\$38,085 - \$55,171 work experience/formal classroom instruction

Start Using This Information

Are your

- 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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