



Jobs with Most Openings

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics and Occupational Employment



What is an Earnings Quartile and what do the dollar signs mean?

Earnings Quartiles separate wage and salary information of people employed in an occupation or industry into four parts. Dollar sign symbols are used to represent the following:

- 4 dollar signs (\$\$\$\$) = Very high (Greater than \$51,580)
- 3 dollar signs (\$\$\$) = High (\$32,930 to \$51,450)
- 2 dollar signs (\$\$) = Low (\$21,790 and \$32,380)
- 1 dollar sign (\$) = Very low (Less than \$21,550)

These are the occupations requiring a bachelor's degree or higher that are projected to have the largest number of job openings during the 2008-2018 time period. To learn more about each occupation, please visit www.careerinfonet.org.

		Employment 2008	Job Openings	Earnings	Training Needed
1	Elementary school teachers, except special education	1,549,500	59,650	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
2	Postsecondary teachers	1,699,200	55,290	\$\$\$\$	Doctoral degree
3	General and operations managers	1,733,100	50,220	\$\$\$\$	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus work experience
4	Accountants and auditors	1,290,600	49,750	\$\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
5	Secondary school teachers, except special and vocational education	1,087,800	41,240	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
6	Management analysts	746,900	30,650	\$\$\$\$	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus work experience
7	Physicians and surgeons	661,400	26,050	\$\$\$\$	First professional degree
8	Middle school teachers, except special and vocational education	659,500	25,110	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
9	Lawyers	759,200	24,040	\$\$\$\$	First professional degree
10	Computer systems analysts	532,200	22,280	\$\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree

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		Employment 2008	Job Openings	Earnings	Training Needed
11	Computer software engineers, applications	514,800	21,840	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
12	Clergy	670,100	21,770	\$\$\$	Master's degree
13	Network systems and data communications analysts	292,000	20,830	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
14	Computer software engineers, systems software	394,800	15,340	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
15	Financial managers	539,300	13,820	\$\$\$	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus work experience
16	Construction managers	551,000	13,770	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
17	Market research analysts	249,800	13,730	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
18	Network and computer systems administrators	339,500	13,550	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
19	Public relations specialists	275,200	13,130	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
20	Securities, commodities, and financial services sales agents	317,200	12,680	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
21	Sales managers	346,900	12,660	\$\$\$	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus work experience
22	Graphic designers	286,100	12,480	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
23	Civil engineers	278,400	11,460	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree
24	Chief executives	400,400	11,250	\$\$\$	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus work experience
25	Employment, recruitment, and placement specialists	207,900	11,230	\$\$\$	Bachelor's degree

Note: The data for the State Employment Trends and the National Employment Trends are not directly comparable. The projections period for state data is 2006-2016, while the projections period for national data is 2008-2018.

National Data Source: [Bureau of Labor Statistics, Office of Occupational Statistics and Employment Projections](#). Please visit www.careerinfonet.org for more information.