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High School and Work Experience

	Median Hourly Wage	Median Annual Wage
★ Managers of Construction Trades & Extraction Workers	\$26.10	\$54,284
★ Managers of Mechanics, Installers, & Repairers	\$29.69	\$61,765
★ Plumbers, Pipefitters, & Steamfitters	\$22.56	\$46,934
★ Construction & Building Inspectors	\$23.88	\$49,668
★ Property, Real Estate, & Community Assoc Managers	\$18.50	\$38,476
★ Managers of Retail Sales Workers	\$19.14	\$39,803
★ Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	\$16.49	\$34,297
★ Managers of Office & Administrative Support Workers	\$22.33	\$46,453
★ Sales Reps., Wholesale & Mfg., Exc. Tech. & Sci. Products	\$22.55	\$46,903
★ Medical Secretaries	\$14.11	\$29,358

Postsecondary Training

	Median Hourly Wage	Median Annual Wage
★ Computer User Support Specialists	\$22.78	\$47,376
★ Medical Assistants	\$14.35	\$29,856
★ Automotive Service Techs & Mechanics	\$16.81	\$34,954
★ Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses	\$21.75	\$45,233
★ HVAC & Refrigeration Mechanics & Installers	\$17.85	\$37,136
★ Firefighters	\$15.11	\$31,431
★ Dental Assistants	\$19.31	\$40,170
★ Emergency Medical Techs & Paramedics	\$14.79	\$30,753
★ Medical Records & Health Info Techs	\$16.81	\$34,966
★ Surgical Technologists	\$20.63	\$42,909

Associate Degree

	Median Hourly Wage	Median Annual Wage
★ Clinical Lab Technologists & Techs	\$23.80	\$49,500
★ Radiologic Technologists	\$26.15	\$54,393
★ Physical Therapist Assistants	\$29.16	\$60,655
★ Dental Hygienists	\$28.78	\$59,872
★ Respiratory Therapists	\$23.88	\$49,673
★ Occupational Therapy Assistants	\$32.47	\$67,529
★ Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	\$28.71	\$59,709
★ Paralegals & Legal Assistants	\$19.07	\$39,675
★ Computer Network Support Specialists	\$22.68	\$47,176
★ Web Developers	\$30.81	\$64,087

Bachelor's Degree

	Median Hourly Wage	Median Annual Wage
★ Registered Nurses	\$29.72	\$61,816
★ General & Operations Managers	\$45.02	\$93,646
★ Accountants & Auditors	\$31.31	\$65,121
★ Loan Officers	\$34.06	\$70,838
★ Child, Family, & School Social Workers	\$21.21	\$44,122
★ Medical & Health Services Managers	\$46.51	\$96,733
★ Market Research Analysts & Marketing Specialists	\$25.34	\$52,707
★ Sub. Abuse, Behavioral Disorder, & Mental Hlth Counselors	\$22.37	\$46,531
★ Construction Managers	\$47.93	\$99,696
★ Financial Managers	\$54.53	\$113,428

Advanced Degree

	Median Hourly Wage	Median Annual Wage
★ Health Specialties Teachers, Postsecondary	N/A	\$151,321
★ Healthcare Social Workers	\$25.36	\$52,758
★ Pharmacists	\$66.13	\$137,550
★ Physical Therapists	\$43.43	\$90,328
★ Physician Assistants	\$46.55	\$96,827
★ Mental Health & Substance Abuse Social Workers	\$26.78	\$55,694
★ Nurse Practitioners	\$48.21	\$100,284
★ Business Teachers, Postsecondary	N/A	\$103,351
★ Speech-Language Pathologists	\$36.05	\$74,981
★ Occupational Therapists	\$42.01	\$87,377

All wage information (except where noted) is Regional Median Hourly and Annual Wage data which was calculated based on 2016 release of the Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) program of the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The OES program produces employment and wage estimates annually for more than 800 occupations for the U.S., individual states, and metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas; National occupational estimates for specific industries are also available.

Note: Selected occupations for each education/experience category are based on the Star Jobs Methodology. Education categories in this brochure represent the minimum level of education required for entry according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Actual market conditions may require additional education and training.

What are Star Jobs?

North Carolina's 5-Star Jobs represent occupations with the greatest projected employment potential through 2026. Occupations were rated from 1-5 stars based on wages, projected growth rates, and projected job openings. For a complete list of Star Jobs and explanation of the rating process, visit www.nccommerce.com/data-tools-reports/labor-market-data-tools/employment-projections#star-jobs



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