

Top Career and Technical Education Occupations in Texas WDA

Top Occupations by 10-year projected growth for Occupations that pay above Texas Median Wage of \$47,499

Occupational Title	OEWS Current Employment (2024)	Average Annual Job Openings (2022-2032)	Estimated 10-year Employment Increase (2032)	OEWS Median Annual Wage (2024)	Typical Education & Training	State Career Cluster & Program of Study
Software Developers	151,460	12,350	51,504	\$130,500	Bachelor's degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arts, Audio Visual Technology and Communication & <i>Graphic Design and Interactive Media</i> Information Technology & <i>Cybersecurity</i> Information Technology & <i>Programming and Software Development</i> Information Technology & <i>Web Development</i>
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	212,700	30,182	43,868	\$53,068	Postsecondary nondegree award & <i>Short-term on-the-job training</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transportation, Distribution and Logistics & <i>Diesel and Heavy Equipment Maintenance and Commercial Drivers</i>
Registered Nurses	261,050	16,904	34,127	\$90,007	Bachelor's degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health Science & <i>Nursing Science</i>
Accountants and Auditors	109,530	11,834	21,898	\$80,002	Bachelor's degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business, Marketing, and Finance & <i>Accounting and Financial Services</i>
Project Management Specialists	116,240	9,003	18,521	\$93,876	Bachelor's degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Architecture and Construction & <i>Construction Management and Inspection</i>
Sales Representatives of Services, Except Advertising, Insurance, Financial Services, and Travel	113,220	11,871	18,117	\$60,451	High school diploma or equivalent & <i>Moderate-term on-the-job training</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business, Marketing, and Finance & <i>Marketing and Sales</i>
Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education	124,430	12,125	18,083	\$61,381	Bachelor's degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education and Training & <i>Early Learning</i> Education and Training & <i>Teaching and Training</i>

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Human Resources Specialists	85,580	8,652	17,159	\$64,564	Bachelor's degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business, Marketing, and Finance & Business Management
Computer User Support Specialists	61,290	6,387	15,460	\$55,319	Some college, no degree & Moderate-term on-the-job training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information Technology & Cybersecurity • Information Technology & Information Technology Support and Services • Information Technology & Programming and Software Development
Computer Occupations, All Other	59,680	5,280	15,307	\$108,173	Bachelor's degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information Technology
Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists	61,200	6,676	15,014	\$64,901	Bachelor's degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources & Agriculture Business, Leadership, and Communications • Business, Marketing, and Finance & Marketing and Sales • Hospitality and Tourism & Travel, Tourism, and Attractions
Computer Systems Analysts	48,150	4,559	14,057	\$104,974	Bachelor's degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information Technology & Cybersecurity • Information Technology & Networking Systems
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Career/Technical Education	112,300	8,338	13,673	\$61,982	Bachelor's degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and Training & Teaching and Training
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products	91,290	9,813	13,087	\$63,568	High school diploma or equivalent & Moderate-term on-the-job training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business, Marketing, and Finance & Marketing and Sales
Business Operations Specialists, All Other	92,850	8,145	12,871	\$79,540	Bachelor's degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business, Marketing, and Finance

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Lawyers	54,680	3,686	12,618	\$133,569	Doctoral or professional degree	• Law and Public Service & <i>Legal Studies</i>
Electricians	71,880	7,798	12,503	\$56,917	High school diploma or equivalent & <i>Apprenticeship</i>	• Architecture and Construction & <i>Electrical</i> • Energy & <i>Renewable Energy</i> • Manufacturing & <i>Industrial Maintenance</i>
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	57,150	4,907	11,499	\$61,586	High school diploma or equivalent & <i>Long-term on-the-job training</i>	• Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources & <i>Agricultural Technology and Mechanical Systems</i> • Manufacturing & <i>Industrial Maintenance</i> • Manufacturing & <i>Robotics and Automation Technology</i>
Nurse Practitioners	21,690	2,241	11,427	\$129,877	Master's degree	• Health Science & <i>Nursing Science</i>
Insurance Sales Agents	44,670	6,493	10,620	\$47,531	High school diploma or equivalent & <i>Moderate-term on-the-job training</i>	• Business, Marketing, and Finance & <i>Marketing and Sales</i>

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