

Occupation	Median
Network & Computer Systems Administrators*	\$36.03
Nonfarm Animal Caretakers	\$9.81
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, & Attendants*	\$13.25
Occupational Therapists	\$34.11
Office Clerks, General	\$14.33
Operating Engineers & Equipment Operators	\$25.10
Order Clerks	\$15.83
Packaging & Filling Machine Operators & Tenders	\$10.69
Packers & Packagers, Hand	\$9.08
Painters, Construction & Maintenance	\$17.03
Paralegals & Legal Assistants*	\$21.40
Parking Lot Attendants	\$10.05
Parts Salespersons	\$16.72
Payroll & Timekeeping Clerks	\$19.68
Personal Care Aides	\$10.46
Personal Financial Advisors	\$27.37
Pharmacists	\$53.28
Pharmacy Technicians	\$13.61
Physical Therapists	\$38.39
Plating & Coating Machine Operators & Tenders	\$13.79
Plumbers, Pipefitters, & Steamfitters	\$24.48
Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers	\$25.82
Postal Service Mail Carriers	\$26.69
Postal Service Mail Sorters & Machine Operators	\$25.52
Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education	\$14.40
Printing Press Operators	\$17.94
Production, Planning, & Expediting Clerks	\$21.98
Property, Real Estate, & Association Managers	\$37.90
Psychiatric Aides	\$16.90
Public Relations Specialists	\$25.70
Punching, & Press Machine Operators & Tenders	\$11.74
Purchasing Agents	\$28.60
Radiologic Technologists & Technicians*	\$30.12
Real Estate Sales Agents	\$23.02
Receptionists & Information Clerks	\$13.88
Recreation Workers	\$11.16
Refuse & Recyclable Material Collectors	\$17.84

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Registered Nurses*	\$34.49
Rehabilitation Counselors	\$21.64
Residential Advisors	\$13.89
Retail Salespersons	\$10.70
Sales Managers	\$59.46
Sales Representatives, Wholesale & Manufacturing	\$29.71
Sales Representatives: Technical & Scientific	\$39.65
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special & Career	\$69,980
Secretaries & Administrative Assistants	\$17.66
Secretaries & Executive Administrative Assistants	\$24.96
Securities, Commodities, & Financial Agents	\$32.78
Security Guards	\$11.90
Self-Enrichment Education Teachers	\$18.01
Shipping, Receiving, & Traffic Clerks	\$14.77
Social & Community Service Managers	\$39.31
Social & Human Service Assistants	\$13.83
Software Developers, Applications	\$45.67
Software Developers, Systems Software	\$45.88
Special Education Teachers, Middle School	\$70,760
Special Education Teachers, Pre K - Elementary*	\$68,110
Special Education Teachers, Secondary School	\$70,130
Speech-Language Pathologists	\$37.23
Stock Clerks & Order Fillers	\$10.77
Substance Abuse & Behavioral Disorder Counselors	\$15.78
Switchboard Operators, Including Answering Service	\$13.30
Taxi Drivers & Chauffeurs	\$10.27
Teacher Assistants	\$30,520
Team Assemblers	\$11.08
Telecommunications Line Installers & Repairers	\$31.64
Telemarketers	\$11.79
Tellers	\$12.87
Training & Development Specialists	\$29.56
Veterinary Technologists & Technicians	\$13.39
Waiters & Waitresses	\$8.96
Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators	\$22.45
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, & Brazers	\$18.89
Word Processors & Typists	\$17.47

Wage rate reflects the median wage paid by RI employers during the month of May 2011. The median is the middle value of the wage distribution. If 101 wage values are reported for an occupation and are listed in ascending order, the median wage would be the 51st value on the list. There are 50 values below it and 50 values above it.

The Labor Market Information (LMI) Unit is a central state resource for the collection, analysis and dissemination of information pertaining to the Rhode Island labor market.

For more information on occupational wage rates visit:  
<http://www.dlt.ri.gov/lmi/oes>  
 or phone: 401-462-8750.

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**Labor Market Information**



**OCCUPATIONAL WAGES 2011**  
**Statewide**

**EMPLOYERS AND JOB SEEKERS:  
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 OF JOB POSITIONS**

Occupational wage rates are a product of the Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) survey. Each year the Labor Market Information (LMI) unit of the RI Department of Labor and Training surveys over 1400 employers to determine the RI wage rates for over 500 occupations. The median hourly wage rate for all occupations is \$17.72. This pamphlet includes the average wage rates for the 200 most frequently employed occupations in the state. Over 80 percent of RI's workforce are employed in these positions.

# Rhode Island Occupational Wage Report

Occupation	Median	Occupation	Median	Occupation	Median
Accountants & Auditors	\$31.57	Couriers & Messengers	\$12.17	Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	\$19.95
Administrative Services Managers	\$46.93	Court, Municipal, & License Clerks	\$20.80	Helpers--Production Workers	\$8.81
Advertising Sales Agents	\$22.33	Customer Service Representatives	\$15.76	Highway Maintenance Workers	\$19.46
Amusement & Recreation Attendants	\$9.16	Data Entry Keyers	\$15.02	Home Health Aides	\$12.16
Architectural & Engineering Managers	\$55.82	Dental Assistants	\$18.16	Hosts & Hostesses, Restaurant & Coffee Shop	\$8.93
Art, Drama, & Music Teachers, Postsecondary	\$74,570	Dental Hygienists	\$33.95	Hotel, Motel, & Resort Desk Clerks	\$10.62
Automotive & Watercraft Service Attendants	\$10.74	Detectives & Criminal Investigators	\$32.73	Human Resources Assistants	\$18.15
Automotive Body & Related Repairers	\$20.22	Dishwashers	\$8.86	Industrial Engineers	\$38.87
Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	\$16.10	Dispatchers, Except Police, Fire, & Ambulance	\$15.35	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	\$20.31
Bakers	\$12.17	Driver/Sales Workers	\$9.17	Industrial Production Managers	\$44.94
Bartenders	\$9.33	Education Administrators, Elementary & Secondary	\$97,330	Industrial Truck & Tractor Operators	\$16.57
Bill & Account Collectors	\$16.41	Education Administrators, Postsecondary	\$46.03	Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, & Weighers	\$14.47
Billing & Posting Clerks	\$16.23	Education, Guidance, School, & Vocational Counselors	\$30.56	Instructional Coordinators	\$25.41
Bookkeeping, Accounting, & Auditing Clerks	\$17.84	Electrical & Electronic Equipment Assemblers	\$14.49	Insurance Claims & Policy Processing Clerks	\$16.89
Brickmasons & Blockmasons	\$22.74	Electrical and Electronics Engineering Technicians	\$27.29	Insurance Sales Agents	\$30.38
Brokerage Clerks	\$20.79	Electrical Engineers	\$44.85	Insurance Underwriters	\$33.08
Bus & Truck Mechanics & Diesel Engine Specialists	\$21.12	Electricians	\$24.25	IS Analysts, Web Developers, & Network Architects	\$35.53
Bus Drivers, School or Special Client	\$15.62	Electronics Engineers, Except Computer	\$53.73	Janitors & Cleaners	\$11.82
Butchers & Meat Cutters	\$14.25	Elementary School Teachers	\$71,510	Jewelers & Precious Stone and Metal Workers	\$15.56
Cabinetmakers & Bench Carpenters	\$17.05	Emergency Medical Technicians & Paramedics	\$15.58	Kindergarten Teachers, Except Special Education	\$72,470
Carpenters	\$21.27	English & Literature Teachers, Postsecondary	\$71,570	Laborers & Freight, Stock, & Material Movers, Hand	\$13.22
Cashiers	\$9.37	Environmental Scientists & Specialists	\$36.33	Landscaping & Groundskeeping Workers	\$12.01
Chefs & Head Cooks	\$21.75	Extruding & Drawing Machine Operators & Tenders	\$15.64	Laundry & Dry-Cleaning Workers	\$10.82
Chief Executives	\$88.01	File Clerks	\$13.91	Lawyers	\$42.28
Child, Family, & School Social Workers	\$26.51	Financial Analysts	\$31.73	Legal Secretaries	\$20.45
Childcare Workers	\$10.46	Financial Managers	\$53.71	Librarians	\$27.96
Civil Engineering Technicians	\$24.27	Firefighters	\$24.61	Library Assistants, Clerical	\$12.52
Civil Engineers	\$39.44	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	\$20.64	Library Technicians	\$18.26
Claims Adjusters, Examiners, & Investigators	\$25.76	First-Line Supervisors: Construction Trades	\$32.08	Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses	\$25.19
Cleaners of Vehicles and Equipment	\$10.50	First-Line Supervisors: Fire Fighting & Prevention	\$31.83	Light Truck or Delivery Services Drivers	\$14.72
Clinical, Counseling, & School Psychologists	\$37.61	First-Line Supervisors: Food Preparation & Serving	\$16.50	Loan Interviewers & Clerks	\$15.13
Coaches & Scouts	\$40,250	First-Line Supervisors: Housekeeping & Janitorial	\$20.87	Loan Officers	\$30.53
Combined Food Preparation & Serving Workers	\$8.76	First-Line Supervisors: Laborers, & Material Movers	\$22.67	Machinists	\$20.68
Compensation, Benefits, & Job Analysis Specialists	\$27.63	First-Line Supervisors: Landscaping /Groundskeeping	\$22.51	Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	\$10.80
Compliance Officers	\$31.54	First-Line Supervisors: Mechanics & Repairers	\$31.99	Mail Clerks & Mail Machine Operators	\$14.81
Computer & Information Research Scientists	\$52.36	First-Line Supervisors: Non-Retail Sales Workers	\$40.19	Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	\$18.00
Computer & Information Systems Managers	\$55.45	First-Line Supervisors: Office & Support Workers	\$26.74	Management Analysts	\$35.08
Computer Operators	\$20.23	First-Line Supervisors: Personal Service Workers	\$18.44	Market Research Analysts & Marketing Specialists*	\$27.23
Computer Programmers	\$34.86	First-Line Supervisors: Police and Detectives	\$33.30	Marketing Managers	\$42.22
Computer Support Specialists	\$22.98	First-Line Supervisors: Production & Operating	\$28.24	Mechanical Engineers	\$44.04
Computer Systems Analysts	\$39.23	First-Line Supervisors: Transportation Workers	\$28.37	Medical & Clinical Laboratory Technicians	\$27.15
Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators	\$17.48	Fitness Trainers & Aerobics Instructors	\$15.98	Medical & Clinical Laboratory Technologists	\$31.47
Construction Laborers	\$18.43	Food Preparation Workers	\$11.14	Medical and Health Services Managers	\$45.84
Construction Managers	\$52.14	Food Servers, Nonrestaurant	\$10.21	Medical Assistants	\$15.27
Cooks, Fast Food	\$9.08	Food Service Managers	\$27.70	Medical Records & Health Information Technicians	\$17.83
Cooks, Institution & Cafeteria	\$16.59	General & Operations Managers	\$59.05	Medical Secretaries	\$17.10
Cooks, Restaurant	\$12.27	Graphic Designers	\$23.24	Mental Health & Substance Abuse Social Workers	\$24.49
Cooks, Short Order	\$10.92	Grinding & Polishing Machine Setters & Operators	\$13.79	Mental Health Counselors	\$16.88
Cost Estimators	\$29.19	Hairdressers, Hairstylists, & Cosmetologists	\$11.30	Middle School Teachers	\$69,020
Counter & Rental Clerks	\$11.21	Healthcare Social Workers	\$28.31	Molding & Casting Machine Operators & Tenders	\$13.09
Counter Attendants, Cafeteria & Coffee Shop	\$8.65	Heating, Air Conditioning, & Refrigeration Mechanics	\$24.01	Multiple Machine Tool Operators & Tenders	\$18.06

\* Indicates an occupation that was redefined in the 2010 SOC revision.