

## Doctoral or Professional Degree

These occupations represent 4.1 percent (21,000) of the employment in RI. During the projection period it is expected that the state's economy will generate approximately 5,800 openings requiring a doctoral or professional degree.

**Percent of Jobs in RI - 4.1%**  
**Percent of Jobs in USA - 2.7%**  
**Projected Openings in RI - 5,800**

Occupation	2014	2024	Total Openings	Wage
Lawyers	4,214	4,461	863	\$54.16
Physical Therapists	1,285	1,574	633	\$37.56
Pharmacists	1,247	1,293	337	\$56.72
Family & General Practitioners	948	1,008	315	\$74.78
Psychologists	891	993	293	\$35.63
Internists, General	771	806	243	#
Surgeons	531	556	168	#
Dentists, General	598	611	135	\$81.38
Medical Scientists, Ex Epidemiologists	305	338	127	\$40.13
Pediatricians, General	358	372	110	\$71.44

## Associate Degree

These occupations represent 2.5 percent (13,000) of the employment in RI. During the projection period it is expected that the state's economy will generate approximately 3,700 openings requiring an associate degree.

**Percent of Jobs in RI - 2.5%**  
**Percent of Jobs in USA - 2.3%**  
**Projected Openings in RI - 13,000**

Occupation	2014	2024	Total Openings	Wage
Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education	1,631	1,735	581	\$15.82
Paralegals & Legal Assistants	1,164	1,303	395	\$25.38
Dental Hygienists	1,044	1,141	269	\$34.81
Medical & Clinical Laboratory Technicians	670	768	258	\$28.04
Radiologic Technologists	887	929	210	\$32.27
Electrical & Electronics Engineering Technicians	555	598	179	\$28.35
Computer Network Support Specialists	854	922	178	\$22.59
Respiratory Therapists	548	585	166	\$30.95
Physical Therapist Assistants	310	381	161	\$25.62
Web Developers	414	515	154	\$37.99

## Master's Degree

These occupations represent 1.9 percent (10,000) of the employment in RI. During the projection period it is expected that the state's economy will generate approximately 2,800 openings requiring a master's degree.

**Percent of Jobs in RI - 1.9%**  
**Percent of Jobs in USA - 1.7%**  
**Projected Openings in RI - 2,800**

Occupation	2014	2024	Total Openings	Wage
Mental Health Counselors	778	877	262	\$14.26
Education Administrators, Elementary & Secondary	796	814	249	\$101,380
Education Administrators, Postsecondary	691	722	232	\$46.98
Education Counselors	918	952	226	\$29.08
Healthcare Social Workers	610	679	216	NA
Nurse Practitioners	484	571	201	\$49.87
Occupational Therapists	473	556	174	\$37.23
Speech-Language Pathologists	459	504	161	\$37.15
Art, Drama, & Music Teachers, Postsecondary	649	694	160	\$75,300
Librarians	704	695	132	\$29.99

## Postsecondary Non-Degree Award

These occupations represent 6.4 percent (32,000) of the employment in RI. During the projection period it is expected that the state's economy will generate approximately 10,000 openings requiring a postsecondary award.

**Percent of Jobs in RI - 6.4%**  
**Percent of Jobs in USA - 6.0%**  
**Projected Openings in RI - 32,000**

Occupation	2014	2024	Total Openings	Wage
Nursing Assistants	9,440	10,564	3,256	\$13.60
Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	2,870	2,985	883	\$19.12
Hairdressers, Hairstylists, & Cosmetologists	2,667	2,814	833	\$12.19
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	3,059	3,322	783	\$19.90
Medical Assistants	2,614	2,717	648	\$15.98
Firefighters	1,673	1,711	523	\$26.31
Licensed Practical & Vocational Nurses	1,137	1,215	402	\$26.79
Supervisors of Fire Fighting & Prevention Workers	671	686	333	\$33.84
Phlebotomists	821	902	252	\$17.66
Dental Assistants	844	862	227	\$18.46

## Bachelor's Degree

These occupations represent 21.2 percent (100,000) of the employment in RI. During the projection period it is expected that the state's economy will generate approximately 33,500 openings requiring a bachelor's degree.

**Percent of Jobs in RI - 21.2%**  
**Percent of Jobs in USA - 21.2%**  
**Projected Openings in RI - 33,500**

Occupation	2014	2024	Total Openings	Wage
Registered Nurses	12,777	14,249	4,487	\$36.68
General & Operations Managers	6,424	7,020	2,222	\$56.70
Accountants & Auditors	4,450	5,057	1,795	\$35.67
Management Analysts	4,257	5,005	1,338	\$39.53
Secondary School Teachers, Ex Special & Tech Ed	4,193	4,278	1,080	\$67,930
Financial Managers	3,014	3,346	1,046	\$60.87
Elementary School Teachers, Ex Special Education	3,851	3,928	929	\$71,220
Software Developers, Systems Software	1,865	2,324	726	\$51.20
Software Developers, Applications	1,599	2,022	652	\$43.60
Computer Systems Analysts	1,759	2,175	642	\$40.79

## High School Diploma or GED

These occupations represent 34.9% (175,000) of the employment in RI. During the projection period it is expected that the state's economy will generate approximately 48,000 openings requiring a high school diploma or GED.

**Percent of Jobs in RI - 34.9%**  
**Percent of Jobs in USA - 36.5%**  
**Projected Openings in RI - 48,000**

Occupation	2014	2024	Total Openings	Wage
Customer Service Representatives	9,028	10,093	3,288	\$16.57
Office Clerks, General	9,406	9,678	2,300	\$15.90
Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	4,285	4,682	1,520	\$19.51
Supervisors of Office & Admin Support Workers	6,086	6,615	1,449	\$27.02
Supervisors of Food Preparation & Serving Workers	3,239	3,642	1,365	\$17.67
Sales Reps, Wholesale & Mfg, Ex Tech Products	5,279	5,497	1,304	\$28.65
Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	5,163	5,288	1,279	\$22.15
Receptionists & Information Clerks	4,073	4,152	1,177	\$14.32
Childcare Workers	3,287	3,382	1,065	\$9.48
Team Assemblers	3,552	3,740	951	\$13.47