What are Star Jobs?

North Carolina's 5-Star Jobs represent occupations with the greatest projected employment potential through 2030. Occupations were rated from 1-5 stars based on wages, projected growth rates, and projected job openings.

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For a complete list of Star Jobs and explanation of the rating process, scan the QR code or visit: <u>www.commerce.nc.gov/</u> data-tools-reports/labor-market-data-tools/employment-projections#StarJobs-274

Advanced Degree		MEDIAI Hourly	MEDIAN WAGE Hourly Annual	
¢	Physician Assistants	\$60.09	\$124,980	
5	Nurse Practitioners	\$53.09	\$110,432	
5	Lawyers	\$50.79	\$105,645	
5	Education Administrators, Postsecondary	\$48.51	\$100,909	
5	Veterinarians	\$47.58	\$98,961	
•	Physical Therapists	\$44.01	\$91,534	
•	Occupational Therapists	\$43.82	\$91,149	
5	Health Specialties Teachers, Postsecondary	SALARY POSITION	\$78,459	
5	Business Teachers, Postsecondary	SALARY POSITION	\$76,991	
¢	Communications Teachers, Postsecondary	SALARY POSITION	\$76,639	

All wages are based on LEAD analysis of data of Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS) 2022 Data released in May 2023.

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Top 10 careers with high wages and employment growth, grouped by education requirements.

High School & Work Experience

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\$	Transportation, Storage, and Distribution Managers	\$46.33	\$96,367
¢	First-Line Supervisors of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers	\$29.68	\$61,742
5	Food Service Managers	\$27.69	\$57,596
¢	Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines	\$25.80	\$53,674
¢	First-Line Supervisors of Transportation & Material Moving Workers, Exc Aircraft Cargo Handling Supervisor	\$25.70	\$53,460
5	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	\$24.33	\$50,603
\$	Chefs and Head Cooks	\$23.66	\$49,220
¢	Maintenance Workers, Machinery	\$23.48	\$48,842
\$	Electricians	\$23.28	\$48,427
4	First-Line Supervisors of Police and Detectives	\$37.17	\$77,306

MEDIAN WAGE Postsecondary Training Hourly Annual SALARY **Commercial Pilots** \$102,739 POSITION Massage Therapists \$26.49 \$55,106 **Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians** \$24.47 \$50.899 Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and \$23.12 \$48.088 Installers First-Line Supervisors of Firefighting and Prevention Workers \$28.08 \$58,400 Computer Numerically Controlled Tool Programmers \$27.92 \$58.071 Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers, \$27.86 \$57,950 Except Line Installers **Computer User Support Specialists** \$24.53 \$51,029 Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses \$23.96 \$49,837 Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers \$22.89 \$47,621

Associate's Degree		MEDIAN WAGE Hourly Annual	
5	Registered Nurses	\$36.61	\$76,140
5	Occupational Therapy Assistants	\$30.79	\$64,039
5	Physical Therapist Assistants	\$30.79	\$64,035
5	Medical Equipment Repairers	\$27.23	\$56,638
5	Avionics Technicians	\$25.40	\$52,823
4	Dental Hygienists	\$38.08	\$79,213
4	Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	\$37.52	\$78,044
4	Computer Network Support Specialists	\$32.61	\$67,837
4	Radio, Cellular, and Tower Equipment Installers and Repairers	\$24.02	\$49,959
4	Paralegals and Legal Assistants	\$22.37	\$46,538

Bachelor's Degree		MEDIAN WAGE Hourly Annual	
•	Computer and Information Systems Managers	\$65.31	\$135,841
5	Financial Managers	\$63.25	\$131,552
•	Software Developers	\$53.31	\$110,882
•	Personal Financial Advisors	\$51.13	\$106,347
•	Medical and Health Services Managers	\$49.21	\$102,352
•	Construction Managers	\$47.44	\$98,666
•	Information Security Analysts	\$46.62	\$96,962
5	General and Operations Managers	\$46.54	\$96,807
1	Computer Systems Analysts	\$43.59	\$90,673
1	Software Quality Assurance Analysts and Testers	\$42.53	\$88,472

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.

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