Career Outlook 2014

South Central Region

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Missouri Economic Research & Information Center (MERIC)
www.missourieconomy.org

Occupational Information Network
http://online.onetcenter.org

Job Search Web Resources

America's Job Bank
www.ajb.org

Career One Stop
www.careeronestop.org

Missouri JobCrawler
www.greathirescrawler.org

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www.missouricareersource.com

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South Central Region TOP 50

Careers in the South Central Region with the most job openings between 2004-2014
For a complete listing of occupations, wages, and skills information, visit the MERIC website at:
www.missoureconomy.org

Occupation	Total Openings	Average Annual Wage	Education/ Experience Typically Required	Grade	WorkKeys® Scores AM	LI	RI
Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources							
Dietitians & Nutritionists	15	$35,270	Bachelor's degree	A-	5	5	**5**
Purchasing Agents & Buyers, Farm Products	13	$45,410	Work experience in a related occ.	A-	5	6	**5**
Architecture and Construction							
Operating Engineers & Other Construction Equipment Operators	130	$30,810	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A-	3	4	3
Highway Maintenance Workers	103	$26,730	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A-	0	3	3
Cement Masons & Concrete Finishers	37	$37,050*	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	4
Paving, Surfacing, & Tamping Equipment Operators	36	$38,280	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	3
Cost Estimators	27	$38,630	Work experience in a related occ.	A-	6	6	5
Glaziers	14	$53,890*	Long-term on-the-job training	A-	4	3	3
Business, Management, and Administration							
General & Operations Managers	227	$67,070	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus exp.	A+	5	5	5
First-Line Supervisors of Office & Administrative Support Workers	158	$32,620	Work experience in a related occ.	A-	4	4	5
Chief Executives	94	$80,050	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus exp.	A-	6	5	6
Employment, Recruitment, & Placement Specialists	75	$26,570	Bachelor's degree	A-	4	5	6
Administrative Services Managers	14	$43,240	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus exp.	A-	4	5	5
Human Resources, Training, & Labor Relations Specialist, All Other	14	$43,110	Bachelor's degree	A-	5	5	5
Education and Training							
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special & Vocational Education	386	$34,170	Bachelor's degree	A-	4	5	5
Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education	97	$21,380	Postsecondary vocational training	A-	4	5	5
Middle School Teachers, Except Special & Vocational Education	97	$41,010	Bachelor's degree	A-	3	4	4
Special Education Teachers, Secondary School	82	$33,820	Bachelor's degree	A-	4	5	5
Training & Development Specialists	28	$34,810	Bachelor's degree	A-	5	4	5
Special Education Teachers, Middle School	28	$41,740	Bachelor's degree	A-	4	5	5
Graduate Teaching Assistants	14	$37,350*	Bachelor's degree	A-	4	4	5
Finance							
Accountants & Auditors	185	$46,040	Bachelor's degree	A+	6	5	5
Health Science							
Registered Nurses	576	$46,680	Associate degree	A+	4	4	5
Dental Assistants	100	$27,620	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	4
Emergency Medical Technicians & Paramedics	83	$22,240	Postsecondary vocational training	A-	4	4	4
Physician Assistants	40	$52,380	Bachelor's degree	A-	4	4	6
Anesthesiologists	38	$164,610*	First professional degree	A-	4	5	5
Medical & Public Health Social Workers	35	$40,520	Bachelor's degree	A-	4	4	4
Health Diagnosing & Treating Practitioners, All Other	28	$120,990	Bachelor's degree	A-	5	5	6
Pharmacists	27	$92,500	First professional degree	A-	6	5	6
Physical Therapists	17	$62,940	Master's degree	A-	4	5	6
Dental Hygienists	17	$59,010*	Associate degree	A-	3	4	5
Surgeons	14	$190,420	First professional degree	A-	5	5	6
Human Service							
Mental Health & Substance Abuse Social Workers	20	$35,160	Master's degree	A-	4	4	4
Information Technology							
Computer Support Specialists	95	$24,320	Associate degree	A-	5	4	5
Network & Computer Systems Administrators	33	$41,500	Bachelor's degree	A-	5	5	5
Computer Software Engineers, Applications	28	$56,040	Bachelor's degree	A-	7	5	5
Computer Systems Analysts	18	$58,300	Bachelor's degree	A-	5	5	5
Computer Software Engineers, Systems Software	17	$35,510	Bachelor's degree	A-	7	5	5
Computer & Information Systems Managers	16	$60,510	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus exp.	A-	6	5	5
Network Systems & Data Communications Analysts	15	$58,220	Bachelor's degree	A-	6	5	5
Law, Public Safety, and Security							
Fire Fighters	54	$42,790	Long-term on-the-job training	A-	4	5	4
First-Line Supervisors of Fire Fighting & Prevention Workers	14	$48,630	Work experience in a related occ.	A-	4	4	5
Manufacturing							
First-Line Supervisors of Production & Operating Workers	182	$35,460	Work experience in a related occ.	A-	5	4	4
Marketing, Sales, and Service							
Sales Rep., Wholesale & Manufact., except Technical & Scientific Products	238	$38,970	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A-	5	4	5
Customer Service Representatives	148	$23,340	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	4
Public Relations Specialists	19	$34,830	Bachelor's degree	A-	0	5	5
Marketing Managers	14	$63,090	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus exp.	A-	5	5	5
Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics							
Industrial Engineers	32	$55,540	Bachelor's degree	A-	7	5	6
Life, Physical, & Social Science Technicians, All Other	23	$33,840	Associate degree	A-	5	4	5

**** Statewide wage data used as a proxy for suppressed regional wage data.***
Career Clusters:
Based on the National Career Clusters with occupations assigned to primary career clusters.
Some occupations may be in multiple clusters, therefore, primary cluster status was established.

WorkKeys® Skills Scores:
Range - least complex (3) to most complex (7)
AM - Applied Mathematics (Level 3-7)
LI - Locating Information (Level 3-6)
RI - Reading for Information (Level 3-7)