

# Targeted Occupations List 2022-2023

The Targeted Occupations List is developed by Workforce Solutions Coastal Bend (WFSCB) to identify the most effective use of local workforce development resources. Sources of information for the target list are local area employers, economic development entities, chambers of commerce, community partners, Texas Workforce Commission labor market information specific to the Coastal Bend region, and knowledge gained from continuous contact with the above sources.

Significant occupational factors include current and projected employment in the occupation, a self-sufficiency wage, and specific vocational preparation time for the occupation, usually less than two years. Employment demand for the occupation offers reasonable expectation of employment following vocational preparation. The list does not include other higher paying jobs for which longer vocational preparation is required.

The range in the listed training period is only an estimate and, in some cases, may represent classroom training, on-the-job training or a combination of both. The typical limit of vocational training funded by WFSCB is less than two years. Occasionally WFSCB may fund the last year or two of a longer program with the understanding that the trainee is job ready at the end of the funded training.

WFSCB uses this list for approved training provided to workforce program-eligible participants. Job seekers must visit WFSCB Career Centers to determine eligibility for training through Workforce Solutions Coastal Bend. Eligibility is not an entitlement to funding. Training providers must apply to the State's Eligible Training Provider System (ETPS) to provide training services funded by WFSCB for the listed occupations.

When funds are available for incumbent worker or on-the-job training, employers may apply to WFSCB for such training. Although incumbent worker and on-the-job training do not require the occupation to be listed on the targeted occupations list, priority will be given to employer applications for training in the listed occupations. Funded on-the-job training wage reimbursement is limited to one to three months due to the expense of the training. Incumbent worker training does not include employee wages and may be longer than three months.

Certain occupations listed may show an entry level wage less than \$12.00 per hour, but are in high demand in the region. Training for these positions should be provided only as part of a career ladder. Training for elementary school teachers does not include child care workers. Child Development Associate training may be available through WFSCB Child Care Program funding.

Emerging Technology occupations related to wind energy, environmental technology, alternative fuels, alternative product uses, and reuses has been included on the list. This category of occupations is designated in anticipation of new and evolving commercial technologies. Occupations must require more than simple demonstration training and pay at least \$12/hour to be eligible for workforce training funds.

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## Business

SOC	Description	2021 Jobs	Lowest 10% Hourly Earnings	Average Hourly Earnings	Median Hourly Earnings	Highest 10% Hourly Earnings
<b>13-2011</b>	Accountants and Auditors	<b>1604</b>	<b>\$21.09</b>	<b>\$37.31</b>	<b>\$32.95</b>	<b>\$57.33</b>
<b>17-3011</b>	Architectural and Civil Drafters	<b>150</b>	<b>\$20.27</b>	<b>\$28.04</b>	<b>\$26.37</b>	<b>\$38.88</b>
<b>43-3031</b>	Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	<b>2545</b>	<b>\$12.03</b>	<b>\$19.78</b>	<b>\$18.41</b>	<b>\$28.75</b>
<b>15-1211</b>	Computer Systems Analysts	<b>310</b>	<b>\$26.54</b>	<b>\$46.89</b>	<b>\$43.78</b>	<b>\$72.49</b>
<b>15-1232</b>	Computer User Support Specialists	<b>545</b>	<b>\$13.68</b>	<b>\$21.03</b>	<b>\$19.80</b>	<b>\$29.95</b>
<b>43-6011</b>	Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	<b>455</b>	<b>\$17.07</b>	<b>\$24.97</b>	<b>\$23.76</b>	<b>\$34.82</b>
<b>11-1021</b>	General and Operations Managers	<b>4434</b>	<b>\$14.22</b>	<b>\$43.47</b>	<b>\$35.41</b>	<b>\$79.50</b>
<b>15-1212</b>	Information Security Analysts	<b>67</b>	<b>\$26.07</b>	<b>\$45.43</b>	<b>\$40.56</b>	<b>\$77.01</b>
<b>43-6013</b>	Medical Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	<b>1681</b>	<b>\$11.40</b>	<b>\$16.09</b>	<b>\$14.79</b>	<b>\$23.22</b>
<b>15-1244</b>	Network and Computer Systems Administrators	<b>452</b>	<b>\$17.85</b>	<b>\$29.19</b>	<b>\$28.17</b>	<b>\$41.34</b>
<b>23-2011</b>	Paralegals and Legal Assistants	<b>585</b>	<b>\$13.83</b>	<b>\$22.42</b>	<b>\$21.79</b>	<b>\$31.98</b>
<b>21-1093</b>	Social and Human Service Assistants	<b>418</b>	<b>\$11.55</b>	<b>\$16.49</b>	<b>\$15.28</b>	<b>\$23.04</b>
<b>15-1256</b>	Software Developers and Software Quality Assurance Analysts and Testers	<b>459</b>	<b>\$26.91</b>	<b>\$48.70</b>	<b>\$45.63</b>	<b>\$76.55</b>

## Health Care

SOC	Description	2021 Jobs	Lowest 10% Hourly Earnings	Average Hourly Earnings	Median Hourly Earnings	Highest 10% Hourly Earnings
<b>29-2018</b>	Clinical Laboratory Technologists and Technicians	<b>511</b>	<b>\$11.61</b>	<b>\$20.92</b>	<b>\$19.97</b>	<b>\$32.17</b>
<b>29-2041</b>	Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics	<b>474</b>	<b>\$10.31</b>	<b>\$18.62</b>	<b>\$16.92</b>	<b>\$29.74</b>
<b>31-9091</b>	Dental Assistants	<b>469</b>	<b>\$12.92</b>	<b>\$17.23</b>	<b>\$16.84</b>	<b>\$23.27</b>
<b>29-2061</b>	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	<b>1649</b>	<b>\$17.16</b>	<b>\$23.14</b>	<b>\$22.59</b>	<b>\$30.25</b>
<b>31-9092</b>	Medical Assistants	<b>1541</b>	<b>\$11.18</b>	<b>\$14.57</b>	<b>\$14.29</b>	<b>\$18.80</b>
<b>29-2098</b>	Medical Dosimetrists, Medical Records Specialists, and Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other	<b>546</b>	<b>\$12.22</b>	<b>\$17.93</b>	<b>\$16.29</b>	<b>\$26.57</b>
<b>31-1131</b>	Nursing Assistants	<b>2061</b>	<b>\$10.60</b>	<b>\$14.34</b>	<b>\$13.87</b>	<b>\$18.70</b>
<b>19-5012</b>	Occupational Health and Safety Technicians	<b>58</b>	<b>\$14.58</b>	<b>\$22.15</b>	<b>\$20.94</b>	<b>\$31.35</b>
<b>29-2052</b>	Pharmacy Technicians	<b>674</b>	<b>\$13.01</b>	<b>\$16.94</b>	<b>\$16.83</b>	<b>\$22.03</b>
<b>31-9097</b>	Phlebotomists	<b>161</b>	<b>\$13.13</b>	<b>\$16.53</b>	<b>\$16.78</b>	<b>\$19.72</b>
<b>31-2021</b>	Physical Therapist Assistants	<b>144</b>	<b>\$19.53</b>	<b>\$33.57</b>	<b>\$33.56</b>	<b>\$50.91</b>
<b>29-2034</b>	Radiologic Technologists and Technicians	<b>512</b>	<b>\$20.66</b>	<b>\$34.09</b>	<b>\$27.77</b>	<b>\$42.08</b>
<b>29-1141</b>	Registered Nurses	<b>4459</b>	<b>\$21.16</b>	<b>\$32.55</b>	<b>\$33.05</b>	<b>\$42.35</b>

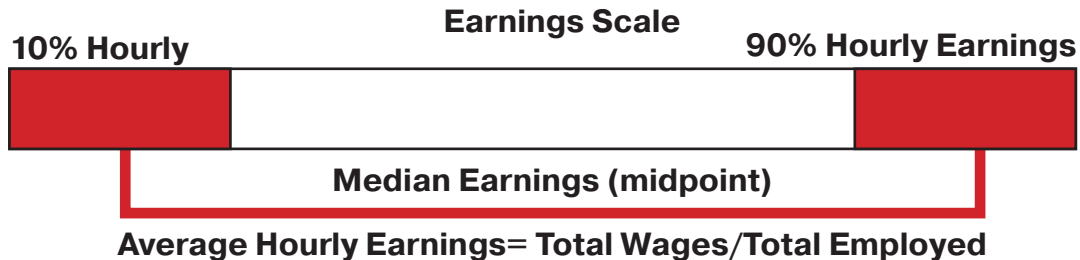
## Public Service

SOC	Description	2021 Jobs	Lowest 10% Hourly Earnings	Average Hourly Earnings	Median Hourly Earnings	Highest 10% Hourly Earnings
<b>53-3052</b>	Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity	<b>321</b>	<b>\$11.13</b>	<b>\$17.15</b>	<b>\$17.25</b>	<b>\$23.04</b>
<b>33-3012</b>	Correctional Officers and Jailers	<b>1100</b>	<b>\$14.49</b>	<b>\$18.13</b>	<b>\$17.95</b>	<b>\$21.11</b>
<b>25-2021</b>	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education	<b>2351</b>	<b>\$20.57</b>	<b>\$29.49</b>	<b>\$29.59</b>	<b>\$38.90</b>
<b>33-2011</b>	Firefighters	<b>554</b>	<b>\$15.39</b>	<b>\$22.18</b>	<b>\$22.81</b>	<b>\$26.75</b>
<b>25-2022</b>	Middle School Teachers, Except Special and Career/ Technical Education	<b>1190</b>	<b>\$20.52</b>	<b>\$29.66</b>	<b>\$29.95</b>	<b>\$38.93</b>
<b>33-3051</b>	Police and Sheriffs Patrol Officers	<b>1410</b>	<b>\$11.55</b>	<b>\$26.45</b>	<b>\$25.49</b>	<b>\$40.15</b>
<b>25-2031</b>	Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Career/ Technical Education	<b>1832</b>	<b>\$20.73</b>	<b>\$29.41</b>	<b>\$29.56</b>	<b>\$38.73</b>
<b>33-9032</b>	Security Guards (armed)	<b>1225</b>	<b>\$9.36</b>	<b>\$14.90</b>	<b>\$13.75</b>	<b>\$19.34</b>

# Professional Skills & Trades

SOC	Description	2021 Jobs	Lowest 10% Hourly Earnings	Average Hourly Earnings	Median Hourly Earnings	Highest 10% Hourly Earnings
49-3011	Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	988	\$25.26	\$32.31	\$32.70	\$39.30
49-3021	Automotive Body and Related Repairers	280	\$12.39	\$22.21	\$20.54	\$31.03
49-3023	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	1274	\$8.71	\$20.73	\$20.06	\$33.83
49-3031	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	488	\$14.37	\$23.46	\$22.26	\$34.27
53-5021	Captains, Mates, and Pilots of Water Vessels	159	\$8.94	\$34.97	\$24.11	\$57.46
47-2031	Carpenters	1780	\$8.57	\$22.50	\$18.78	\$32.39
47-2061	Construction Laborers	4725	\$11.00	\$17.22	\$15.23	\$23.74
35-1011	Chefs and Head Cooks	110	\$7.96	\$21.37	\$18.90	\$36.08
51-8091	Chemical Plant and System Operators	335	\$33.18	\$41.58	\$42.97	\$49.95
53-7021	Crane and Tower Operators	390	\$25.76	\$31.98	\$31.07	\$39.76
17-3023	Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technologists and Technicians	162	\$22.87	\$36.33	\$35.69	\$50.20
47-2111	Electricians	1314	\$14.33	\$25.23	\$24.74	\$33.69
49-9021	Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	773	\$15.06	\$24.63	\$23.39	\$33.07
53-3032	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	3725	\$14.84	\$21.83	\$19.92	\$30.21
49-9041	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	860	\$16.07	\$27.39	\$26.50	\$39.99
51-9061	Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	650	\$11.47	\$25.63	\$25.72	\$38.54
51-4041	Machinists	460	\$13.63	\$24.93	\$25.48	\$35.09
49-9044	Millwrights	52	\$17.16	\$24.01	\$23.35	\$31.00
47-2073	Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators	1565	\$13.90	\$21.31	\$19.94	\$30.10
51-8093	Petroleum Pump System Operators, Refinery Operators, and Gaugers	1003	\$28.01	\$38.15	\$37.58	\$49.81
47-2152	Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	1064	\$14.15	\$24.54	\$22.78	\$36.27
47-5012	Rotary Drill Operators, Oil and Gas	197	\$16.21	\$28.29	\$25.55	\$44.06
53-5011	Sailors and Marine Oilers	215	\$9.83	\$18.18	\$16.20	\$27.41
51-4121	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	1392	\$16.61	\$26.52	\$24.14	\$40.39
49-9081	Wind Turbine Service Technicians	88	\$16.99	\$27.21	\$25.85	\$37.91
99-9999	Emerging Technologies					

Source: QCEW Employees, Non-QCEW Employees - EMS/ 2022.2 Class of Worker



**The Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) Code** - is a standard used to classify workers into occupational categories for the purpose of collecting data and comparing occupations across data sets.

**Lowest 10% Hourly Earnings** - 10% of the population in the occupation make less per hourly wage than the hourly wage stated.

**Median Hourly Earnings** - 50% of the population in the occupation make more; and 50% of the population make less per hourly wage than the hourly wage stated.

**Average Hourly Earnings** - The average of all wages of the population in the occupation. **Highest 10% Hourly Earnings** - 10% of the population in the occupation make more per hourly wage than the hourly wage stated.