

What are the Buckeye Top Fifty?

- The Buckeye Top Fifty are high-wage occupations in Ohio that are in demand by employers and are projected to stay in demand.
- The Top Fifty pay average annual earnings of more than \$62,000.
- Within each occupational cluster, occupations are ranked by the total expected annual openings.

Why do I care?

When considering a career, examine the number of current job openings, projected growth for the career, average wages and educational requirements. It is important to note that almost all of these high-wage jobs require postsecondary education and training.

Job opportunities in high-wage jobs require education and training.

For more information...

Visit Ohio Labor Market Information on the web at <http://OhioLMI.com> or contact us at 1-888-296-7541 or 1-614-752-9494. To locate jobs in high-wage occupations, go to <http://www.OhioMeansJobs.com>.

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Buckeye Top Fifty: 2006-2016

Ohio's High-Wage Occupations in Demand



	2006 Employment	Total Annual Openings	Projected Change in Employment 2006 - 2016	Projected Percent Change	Average Annual Earnings	Education	Top Three Skills
Business Cluster							
Customer Service Representatives	87,330	3,958	15,260	17.5%	\$31,210	Moderate-Term On-The-Job Training	Active Listening, Reading Comprehension, Monitoring
Accountants & Auditors	49,080	1,357	4,940	10.1%	\$59,080	Bachelor's Degree	Mathematics, Critical Thinking, Active Learning
Management Analysts	23,600	706	3,030	12.8%	\$76,440	Bachelor's or Higher Degree, plus Work Experience	Critical Thinking, Judgment & Decision Making, Active Listening
Lawyers	22,570	642	2,140	9.5%	\$100,760	First Professional Degree	Reading Comprehension, Judgment & Decision Making, Writing
Securities, Commodities & Financial Services Sales Agents	13,960	542	1,840	13.2%	\$67,850	Bachelor's Degree	Active Listening, Speaking, Reading Comprehension
Cost Estimators	10,770	379	1,590	14.8%	\$58,080	Bachelor's Degree	Active Listening, Reading Comprehension, Mathematics
Training & Development Specialists	7,860	276	1,070	13.6%	\$49,990	Bachelor's or Higher Degree, plus Work Experience	Active Listening, Speaking, Time Management
Employment, Recruitment & Placement Specialists	5,790	210	850	14.7%	\$48,490	Bachelor's Degree	Reading Comprehension, Active Listening, Service Orientation
Paralegals & Legal Assistants	6,320	207	1,240	19.6%	\$43,760	Associate Degree	Speaking, Time Management, Active Listening
Financial Analysts	6,920	202	1,630	23.6%	\$69,950	Bachelor's Degree	Reading Comprehension, Time Management, Active Listening
Personal Financial Advisors	4,700	202	1,600	34.0%	\$85,370	Bachelor's Degree	Active Listening, Speaking, Mathematics
Social & Community Service Managers	3,350	146	820	24.5%	\$58,140	Bachelor's Degree	Active Listening, Social Perceptiveness, Speaking
Appraisers & Assessors of Real Estate	2,880	140	820	28.5%	\$48,920	Bachelor's Degree	Reading Comprehension, Mathematics, Time Management
Market Research Analysts	6,970	139	920	13.2%	\$63,760	Bachelor's Degree	Reading Comprehension, Time Management, Writing
Construction							
Construction Managers	11,290	332	1,570	13.9%	\$93,190	Bachelor's Degree	Critical Thinking, Active Listening, Monitoring
Community & Social Service							
Child, Family & School Social Workers	8,200	330	1,560	19.0%	\$35,540	Bachelor's Degree	Speaking, Active Listening, Monitoring
Religious Activities & Education Directors	6,570	280	1,290	19.6%	\$40,180	Bachelor's Degree	Speaking, Management of Personnel Resources, Active Listening
Medical & Public Health Social Workers	5,970	272	1,460	24.5%	\$43,020	Bachelor's Degree	Active Listening, Writing, Reading Comprehension
Mental Health & Substance Abuse Social Workers	5,200	265	1,550	29.8%	\$35,670	Master's Degree	Active Listening, Social Perceptiveness, Critical Thinking
Mental Health Counselors	2,780	138	830	29.9%	\$41,280	Master's Degree	Active Listening, Social Perceptiveness, Critical Thinking
Substance Abuse & Behavioral Disorder Counselors	2,470	134	840	34.0%	\$38,530	Bachelor's Degree	Active Listening, Social Perceptiveness, Service Orientation
Education							
Postsecondary Teachers	45,900	1,547	7,790	17.0%	\$66,157	Doctoral Degree	Instructing, Reading Comprehension, Critical Thinking
Preschool, Kindergarten & Elementary Special Education Teachers	8,470	304	1,160	13.7%	\$50,780	Bachelor's Degree	Instructing, Active Listening, Learning Strategies
Self-Enrichment Education Teachers	6,600	207	1,360	20.6%	\$33,920	Work Experience in a Related Occupation	Instructing, Speaking, Active Listening
Instructional Coordinators	6,110	188	1,040	17.0%	\$61,660	Master's Degree	Reading Comprehension, Active Listening, Critical Thinking
Health Care							
Registered Nurses	113,050	4,425	25,590	22.6%	\$57,320	Associate Degree	Active Listening, Reading Comprehension, Critical Thinking
Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses	38,690	1,593	5,380	13.9%	\$38,630	Postsecondary Vocational Award	Active Listening, Speaking, Coordination
Physicians & Surgeons	28,600	845	3,290	11.5%	\$168,126	First Professional Degree	Reading Comprehension, Active Listening, Critical Thinking
Dental Assistants	10,040	383	2,090	20.8%	\$31,050	Moderate-Term On-The-Job Training	Active Listening, Reading Comprehension, Speaking
Medical & Health Services Managers	10,910	368	1,640	15.0%	\$77,800	Bachelor's or Higher Degree, plus Work Experience	Active Listening, Reading Comprehension, Critical Thinking
Pharmacists	10,010	326	1,530	15.3%	\$95,750	First Professional Degree	Active Listening, Speaking, Reading Comprehension
Radiologic Technologists & Technicians	9,740	262	1,300	13.3%	\$47,570	Associate Degree	Active Listening, Speaking, Reading Comprehension
Dental Hygienists	6,320	253	1,320	20.9%	\$61,260	Associate Degree	Active Listening, Speaking, Reading Comprehension
Physical Therapists	6,820	251	1,690	24.8%	\$72,380	Master's Degree	Active Listening, Instructing, Time Management
Physical Therapist Assistants	4,590	205	1,460	31.8%	\$47,100	Associate Degree	Active Listening, Reading Comprehension, Time Management
Respiratory Therapists	5,350	198	1,190	22.2%	\$47,340	Associate Degree	Active Listening, Instructing, Reading Comprehension
Surgical Technologists	3,440	182	770	22.4%	\$36,110	Postsecondary Vocational Award	Active Listening, Monitoring, Speaking
Occupational Therapists	4,210	159	970	23.0%	\$70,630	Master's Degree	Active Listening, Reading Comprehension, Service Orientation
Occupational Therapist Assistants	2,370	96	600	25.3%	\$47,670	Associate Degree	Active Listening, Time Management, Instructing
Veterinarians	1,920	96	580	30.2%	\$90,610	First Professional Degree	Active Listening, Reading Comprehension, Critical Thinking
Physician Assistants	1,580	59	370	23.4%	\$79,280	Master's Degree	Active Listening, Active Learning, Speaking
Information Technology & Engineering							
Computer Software Engineers, Applications	16,440	880	6,400	38.9%	\$77,560	Bachelor's Degree	Programming, Critical Thinking, Complex Problem Solving
Computer Systems Analysts	15,490	730	3,190	20.6%	\$71,150	Bachelor's Degree	Active Learning, Reading Comprehension, Complex Problem Solving
Network Systems & Data Communications Analysts	7,970	544	3,820	47.9%	\$71,390	Bachelor's Degree	Equipment Selection, Troubleshooting, Complex Problem Solving
Network & Computer Systems Administrators	12,020	523	2,490	20.7%	\$62,360	Bachelor's Degree	Reading Comprehension, Troubleshooting, Active Listening
Industrial Engineers	12,990	481	1,680	12.9%	\$70,450	Bachelor's Degree	Critical Thinking, Active Listening, Time Management
Computer Software Engineers, Systems Software	7,330	266	1,590	21.7%	\$81,470	Bachelor's Degree	Complex Problem Solving, Technology Design, Troubleshooting
Database Administrators	4,960	174	1,210	24.4%	\$67,530	Bachelor's Degree	Active Learning, Troubleshooting, Critical Thinking
Environmental Engineers	1,850	99	450	24.3%	\$77,020	Bachelor's Degree	Reading Comprehension, Speaking, Active Listening
Health Educators	1,610	61	420	26.1%	\$42,900	Bachelor's Degree	Instructing, Active Listening, Speaking

Selected jobs are based on growth factors in Ohio's 2006 to 2016 Occupational Projections. Included occupations were ranked in the top 200 projected new jobs and top 200 in percentage growth with average annual earnings of at least \$30,888 per year. Average annual earnings are from the May 2007 Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) survey in Ohio. Teacher earnings are typically for a 9% month year. Listings in each group are ranked by total annual openings. Total annual openings are the sum of projected new job growth annually plus the estimated net replacement needs, generally due to retirements.