

OCCUPATIONS & STARTING WAGES REPORT

This publication includes information about the types of job openings received and the starting wages listed with offices of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development (DWD). The report that follows summarizes the permanent full-time listings received from employers for the twelve-month period and the geographic area specified on the front of this publication.

The description lists occupational titles according to the Occupational Employment Statistics classification system. Job listings may be assigned more than one occupational description. The number column, therefore, reports the number of times the occupational description was considered appropriate for the jobs listed rather than the actual number of job openings. These positions should be interpreted as having been available sometime during this period and not necessarily as currently available.

The starting wages listed do not reflect "prevailing wage rates". The wages are based on the minimum wage that employers stated they would pay to workers who fulfill their job requirements for education and/or experience. The wages presented identify the minimum wage offered by any employer, the maximum wage offered by any employer, and the average of all wages offered by all employers for the listed occupational grouping. Job orders for which no specific wage was mentioned are not included. Compensation for some jobs may include tips and/or commissions, and benefits not accounted for in the wage listing.

Job seekers and those who assist them with their job search will find this report to be a useful tool in identifying the frequency of job openings and the starting wages typically offered. The information presented may be useful to those who are choosing or changing careers, given that potential wages are a critical factor in making career choices. Other career choice factors in addition to wages may include aptitudes, interests, abilities, length of training, the job outlook, working conditions, and so forth.

While Job Service Openings and Starting Wages can be a very useful tool, the report contains information for only those openings listed with DWD. Other sources of information should be consulted regarding the availability of jobs, qualifications, and wages. These may include:

- personal contacts
- counselors
- want ads
- libraries
- the Occupational Outlook Handbook
- professional associations
- Information Resource Areas of Indiana Workforce Development Centers

A free computerized job matching service is available through DWD's Customer Self Service System (CS3), at no cost to job seekers or employers. Job seekers registering for work specify their qualifications, desires, and wage requests. An employer may call one of DWD's local offices with an opening, describing the position requirements, hours of work, and other conditions of employment, in addition to the starting wage to be offered. The information from both parties is entered into CS3, and then used to locate suitable candidates for the job opening. Employers may also post job openings, search for potential employees, and go through an initial screening process via the Internet. In order to access the CS3 system through the Internet, employers will need Access Indiana. This program costs \$50 per year. For more details on CS3, check our web site: <http://www.state.in.us/dwd>

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