

PRIORITY OCCUPATIONS



WACCAMAW REGION

PRIORITY OCCUPATIONS are identified based on current demand, projected growth, viability, and retention. These jobs are now available to countless jobseekers and are forecasted to become essential, thriving careers.

| CAREER CLUSTER | EDUCATION REQUIREMENT | OCCUPATION | REGION ENTRY LEVEL WAGE ESTIMATE | AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGE | OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING REQUIREMENT |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Architecture & Construction | High school diploma or equivalent | First-Line Supervisors of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers | \$47,000 | \$66,900 | License may be required by employer |
| Architecture & Construction | High school diploma or equivalent | Electricians | \$38,200 | \$52,900 | License required by S.C. |
| Architecture & Construction | High school diploma or equivalent | Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators | \$37,300 | \$44,500 | None |
| Architecture & Construction | High school diploma or equivalent | Mechanical Door Repairers | \$36,000 | \$46,300 | None |
| Architecture & Construction | High school diploma or equivalent | Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters | \$40,300 | \$50,800 | License required by S.C. |
| Architecture & Construction | High school diploma or equivalent | Electrical Power-Line Installers and Repairers | \$46,300 | \$71,900 | None |
| Architecture & Construction | High school diploma or equivalent | Carpenters | \$32,300 | \$43,900 | License required by S.C. |
| Architecture & Construction | No formal educational credential | Construction Laborers | \$30,600 | \$38,000 | License may be required by employer |
| Architecture & Construction | High school diploma or equivalent | Millwrights | \$44,900 | \$55,800 | None |
| Architecture & Construction | No formal educational credential | Painters, Construction and Maintenance | \$32,500 | \$49,400 | License required by S.C. |
| Architecture & Construction | No formal educational credential | Roofers | \$34,300 | \$40,800 | License required by S.C. |
| Architecture & Construction | No formal educational credential | Tile and Stone Setters | \$29,100 | \$44,700 | License required by S.C. |
| Architecture & Construction | High school diploma or equivalent | Control and Valve Installers and Repairers, Except Mechanical Door | \$41,100 | \$63,500 | None |
| Architecture & Construction | No formal educational credential | Drywall and Ceiling Tile Installers | \$37,900 | \$44,500 | License required by S.C. |
| Architecture & Construction | No formal educational credential | Floor Layers, Except Carpet, Wood, and Hard Tiles | \$32,000 | \$44,000 | License required by S.C. |
| Architecture & Construction | No formal educational credential | Tapers | \$39,500 | \$53,600 | License required by S.C. |
| Architecture & Construction | High school diploma or equivalent | First-Line Supervisors of Landscaping, Lawn Service, and Groundskeeping Workers | \$40,700 | \$54,200 | None |
| Architecture & Construction | High school diploma or equivalent | Elevator and Escalator Installers and Repairers | \$55,200 | \$80,600 | License may be required by employer |
| Architecture & Construction | No formal educational credential | Underground Mining Machine Operators, All Other | \$38,700 | \$50,900 | None |
| Arts, Audio/Video Technology & Communications | High school diploma or equivalent | Media and Communication Workers, All Other | \$35,300 | \$91,200 | None |
| Arts, Audio/Video Technology & Communications | High school diploma or equivalent | Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers, Except Line Installers | \$44,300 | \$60,900 | None |
| Arts, Audio/Video Technology & Communications | High school diploma or equivalent | Telecommunications Line Installers and Repairers | \$43,000 | \$56,500 | None |
| Business Management & Administration | High school diploma or equivalent | Transportation, Storage, and Distribution Managers | \$56,100 | \$97,500 | None |

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| Business Management & Administration | High school diploma or equivalent | Personal Service Managers, All Other | \$33,200 | \$53,000 | None |
| Business Management & Administration | No formal educational credential | Postal Service Mail Carriers | \$42,800 | \$58,400 | None |
| Business Management & Administration | No formal educational credential | Postal Service Clerks | \$51,300 | \$62,600 | None |
| Business Management & Administration | High school diploma or equivalent | First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers | \$40,200 | \$58,000 | None |
| Finance | High school diploma or equivalent | Insurance Sales Agents | \$34,700 | \$64,900 | None |
| Finance | High school diploma or equivalent | Claims Adjusters, Examiners, and Investigators | \$53,900 | \$76,800 | License may be required by employer |
| Government & Public Administration | High school diploma or equivalent | Postmasters and Mail Superintendents | \$74,200 | \$77,600 | None |
| Health Science | High school diploma or equivalent | Hearing Aid Specialists | \$33,200 | \$61,300 | License may be required by employer |
| Health Science | High school diploma or equivalent | Pharmacy Technicians | \$33,400 | \$38,200 | License required by S.C. |
| Health Science | High school diploma or equivalent | Opticians, Dispensing | \$34,000 | \$49,300 | License required by S.C. |
| Health Science | High school diploma or equivalent | Medical Secretaries and Administrative Assistants | \$32,900 | \$39,600 | None |
| Hospitality & Tourism | High school diploma or equivalent | Lodging Managers | \$50,300 | \$75,100 | None |
| Hospitality & Tourism | High school diploma or equivalent | Gambling Managers | \$51,100 | \$84,100 | None |
| Hospitality & Tourism | High school diploma or equivalent | Food Service Managers | \$49,500 | \$64,500 | None |
| Hospitality & Tourism | High school diploma or equivalent | Chefs and Head Cooks | \$35,700 | \$54,300 | None |
| Human Services | High school diploma or equivalent | Social and Human Service Assistants | \$29,500 | \$40,600 | None |
| Human Services | High school diploma or equivalent | Community Health Workers | \$35,200 | \$49,300 | None |
| Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security | High school diploma or equivalent | First-Line Supervisors of Police and Detectives | \$63,100 | \$77,900 | None |
| Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security | High school diploma or equivalent | Police and Sheriffs Patrol Officers | \$43,700 | \$50,400 | None |
| Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security | High school diploma or equivalent | Detectives and Criminal Investigators | \$52,100 | \$60,600 | None |
| Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security | High school diploma or equivalent | Transit and Railroad Police | \$47,800 | \$61,700 | None |
| Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security | High school diploma or equivalent | Forest Fire Inspectors and Prevention Specialists | \$31,700 | \$45,800 | None |
| Manufacturing | High school diploma or equivalent | First-Line Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers | \$44,500 | \$67,300 | License may be required by employer |
| Manufacturing | High school diploma or equivalent | Maintenance and Repair Workers, General | \$29,100 | \$40,000 | None |
| Manufacturing | High school diploma or equivalent | Nuclear Power Reactor Operators | \$89,800 | \$111,300 | None |

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| Manufacturing | High school diploma or equivalent | Industrial Machinery Mechanics | \$43,200 | \$59,900 | None |
| Manufacturing | High school diploma or equivalent | First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers | \$47,000 | \$70,100 | None |
| Manufacturing | High school diploma or equivalent | Patternmakers, Metal and Plastic | \$38,400 | \$54,400 | None |
| Marketing | High school diploma or equivalent | Property, Real Estate, and Community Association Managers | \$42,100 | \$67,900 | License may be required by employer |
| Marketing | High school diploma or equivalent | Real Estate Sales Agents | \$34,600 | \$57,500 | License required by S.C. |
| Marketing | High school diploma or equivalent | Real Estate Brokers | \$54,600 | \$115,000 | License required by S.C. |
| Marketing | High school diploma or equivalent | Sales Representatives of Services, Except Advertising, Insurance, Financial Services, and Travel | \$27,600 | \$57,700 | None |
| Marketing | High school diploma or equivalent | Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products | \$33,700 | \$66,400 | None |
| Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | High school diploma or equivalent | Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists | \$36,600 | \$50,400 | None |
| Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | High school diploma or equivalent | Rail Car Repairers | \$40,900 | \$54,000 | None |
| Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | High school diploma or equivalent | Automotive Body and Related Repairers | \$35,400 | \$47,400 | None |
| Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | High school diploma or equivalent | Light Truck Drivers | \$25,400 | \$40,700 | None |
| Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | High school diploma or equivalent | Airfield Operations Specialists | \$34,200 | \$58,000 | None |
| Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | High school diploma or equivalent | Rail Yard Engineers, Dinkey Operators, and Hostlers | \$41,100 | \$55,900 | None |
| Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | High school diploma or equivalent | Subway and Streetcar Operators | \$57,100 | \$69,900 | None |
| Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | High school diploma or equivalent | Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers | \$40,100 | \$50,500 | None |
| Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | High school diploma or equivalent | Locomotive Engineers | \$61,600 | \$65,100 | None |
| Architecture & Construction | Postsecondary nondegree award | Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers | \$39,700 | \$48,900 | None |
| Health Science | Bachelor's degree | Registered Nurses | \$62,200 | \$78,000 | License required by S.C. |
| Health Science | Associate's degree | Radiologic Technologists and Technicians | \$51,500 | \$64,000 | License may be required by employer |
| Health Science | Associate's degree | Dental Hygienists | \$65,100 | \$77,600 | License required by S.C. |
| Health Science | Associate's degree | Cardiovascular Technologists and Technicians | \$47,800 | \$62,600 | License may be required by employer |
| Health Science | Postsecondary nondegree award | Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses | \$48,400 | \$52,500 | License required by S.C. |
| Health Science | Associate's degree | Occupational Therapy Assistants | \$56,300 | \$70,300 | License required by S.C. |
| Health Science | Associate's degree | Veterinary Technologists and Technicians | \$32,800 | \$39,900 | License required by S.C. |

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| Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security | Associate's degree | Paralegals and Legal Assistants | \$36,500 | \$51,900 | None |
| Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | Postsecondary nondegree award | Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians | \$40,400 | \$49,100 | None |
| Transportation, Distribution & Logistics | Postsecondary nondegree award | Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics | \$29,100 | \$47,900 | None |