

H3: HIGH WAGE, HIGH DEMAND, HIGH SKILL

Wages from Occupational Employment Statistics, 4th Quarter 2017. Annual openings from 2016-2026 Long-term Occupational Projections. Produced by the Nebraska Department of Labor, Office of Labor Market Information.

Occupation	Sandhills Region					
	Percent Change	Annual Openings	Avg. Hourly Wage	Avg. Annual Wage	Entry Wage	Experienced Wage
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	10.90%	49	\$18.05	\$37,532	\$25,459	\$43,569
Registered Nurses	4.55%	17	\$26.06	\$54,216	\$41,890	\$60,378
General and Operations Managers	5.00%	16	\$40.04	\$83,300	\$40,955	\$104,473
Carpenters	8.22%	14	\$15.72	\$32,698	\$27,811	\$35,140
Accountants and Auditors	4.35%	13	\$25.77	\$53,611	\$39,310	\$60,762
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Career/Technical Education	2.79%	13	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Coaches and Scouts	2.08%	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Electrical Power-Line Installers and Repairers	6.40%	11	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians	7.07%	10	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education	3.33%	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	5.15%	8	\$15.38	\$31,982	\$25,306	\$35,321
Loan Officers	10.13%	8	\$30.87	\$64,213	\$43,097	\$74,771
Electricians	9.09%	6	\$17.81	\$37,039	\$29,293	\$40,911
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	5.56%	6	\$19.49	\$40,537	\$30,797	\$45,408
Radio, Cellular, and Tower Equipment Installers and Repairers	-2.22%	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Public Relations Specialists	10.26%	4	\$19.75	\$41,082	\$37,187	\$43,029
Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	10.00%	3	\$17.79	\$37,003	\$29,984	\$40,512
Education Administrators, Elementary and Secondary School	2.86%	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Healthcare Social Workers	3.57%	3	\$23.28	\$48,440	\$37,238	\$54,042

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Medical and Health Services Managers	2.63%	3	\$37.74	\$78,500	\$56,617	\$89,441
Middle School Teachers, Except Special and Career/Technical Education	2.33%	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Cooks, Private Household	22.22%	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Managers, All Other	3.57%	2	\$24.28	\$50,490	\$40,693	\$55,389
Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologists	4.17%	2	\$29.30	\$60,954	\$48,856	\$67,004
Medical Records and Health Information Technicians	3.45%	2	\$18.97	\$39,472	\$27,520	\$45,449
Morticians, Undertakers, and Funeral Directors	7.14%	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education	6.25%	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Radiologic Technologists	3.70%	2	\$29.41	\$61,188	\$43,075	\$70,244
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Technical and Scientific Products	0.00%	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Special Education Teachers, Secondary School	0.00%	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Substance Abuse and Behavioral Disorder Counselors	0.00%	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Business Operations Specialists, All Other	16.67%	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Chemists	12.50%	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Child, Family, and School Social Workers	16.67%	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Educational, Guidance, School, and Vocational Counselors	16.67%	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Financial Managers	10.53%	1	\$46.03	\$95,743	\$70,041	\$108,594
Nurse Practitioners	12.00%	1	\$38.60	\$80,280	\$47,984	\$96,427
Physician Assistants	15.00%	1	\$43.53	\$90,539	\$74,524	\$98,548
Veterinarians	10.00%	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Zoologists and Wildlife Biologists	22.22%	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A