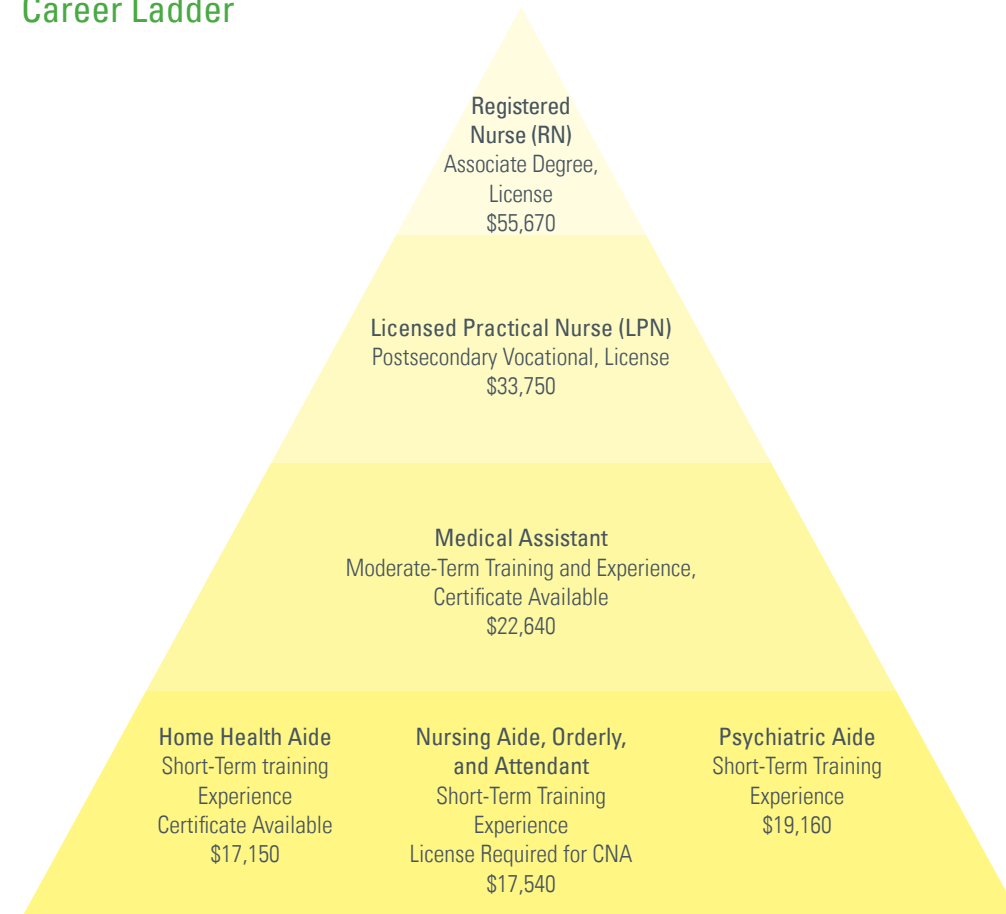


Build an Occupational Ladder for Your Company

The Louisiana Workforce Commission's Web site www.LAWORKS.net provides Occupational Profiles that can be used to develop a customized Career Ladder (upward movement between jobs) and Career Lattice (lateral movement between jobs) specific for your company or industry. The example below is the Career Ladder for Registered Nurse (RN) in Louisiana. Statistical data include Minimum Education required, License or Certification required, and the Average Annual Wage from the 2008 wage survey.

Begin on the Home Page and select Labor Market Information from the left-side menu. Select LOIS (Louisiana Occupational Information System). Select Occupation Profile from the left-side menu under Profile. Customize the report with these Selections: Detailed Occupation Profile, Geographic Area, Occupational Group, scroll down Detailed Occupation List and highlight your choice, click Continue button, scroll down the page to the Other section and select Custom Occupation Report, Select the desired topics, View Report.

Career Ladder



To create a Career Ladder with help from the O*Net Resource Center go to www.onetcenter.org/ladders.html, under the Products category in the left-side menu select Toolkit for Business or go to www.onetcenter.org/toolkit.html.

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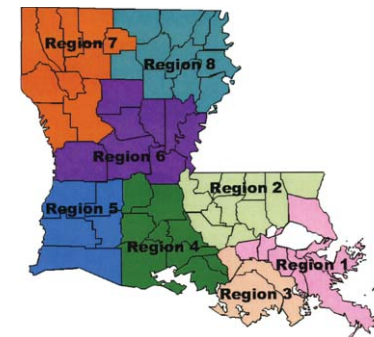
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Online Resources

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www.laworks.net

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Occupational Outlook Handbook
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Executive Summary for the Lake Charles (Southwest) Regional Labor Market Area

This summary represents occupations estimated to have the most demand based on new growth and replacement needs.

There are nearly seventy top demand occupations in this region according to the 2006 – 2016 occupational forecast. Of those seventy occupations:

- Almost 60 percent had at least two months of on-the-job training plus required education.
- Over half of these occupations offer average hourly wages of \$10.00 or more.
- Almost a third of the occupations have average hourly compensation that exceeds \$15.00.
- The ten jobs that do not require a university degree and have the highest wages are:
 1. Chemical Plant and System Operators \$28.29
 2. Petroleum Pump System Operators, Refinery Operators, and Gaugers \$28.24
 3. Registered Nurses \$26.78
 4. First-line Supervisors/Managers of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers \$25.12
 5. Sales Reps., Wholesale and Manufacturing, except Technical and Scientific Products \$23.47
 6. Structural Iron and Steel Workers \$22.30
 7. Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers \$20.45
 8. Electricians \$19.30
 9. Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters \$18.49
 10. Slot Key Persons \$17.67
- Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations had the highest number of openings with 570. The highest paid occupation was First-line Supervisors/Managers of Food Preparation and Serving Workers at almost \$12.00 an hour.
- Registered Nurses have an annual demand of 100 workers, representing two thirds of all Healthcare Occupations, with an average wage of \$26.78 an hour.
- Almost all of the growth in Production Occupations, such as Welders and Chemical Plant and System Operators, will be due to replacement needs.

Occupational Projections 2006 – 2016

Jobs That Require at Least an Advanced Degree

Jobs That Require at Least an Advanced Degree	Total Annual Demand 2006-2016	Average Hourly Wage 2008
Lawyers	20	\$56.77

Jobs That Require at Least a Four-year Degree

Jobs That Require at Least a Four-year Degree	Total Annual Demand 2006-2016	Average Hourly Wage 2008
General and Operations Managers	70	\$39.42
Accountants and Auditors	30	\$21.67
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education	30	\$41,783**

Jobs That Require at Least an Associates Degree or Other Formal Training Past High School

Jobs That Require at Least an Associates Degree or Other Formal Training Past High School	Total Annual Demand 2006-2016	Average Hourly Wage 2008
Registered Nurses	100	\$26.78
Gaming Dealers	80	\$6.52
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	70	\$16.93
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	60	\$13.78
Customer Service Representatives	60	\$11.02
Licensed Practical and Licensed Voc. Nurses	50	\$15.13
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	50	\$7.80
Painters, Construction and Maintenance	50	\$14.85
Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	50	\$10.83
Carpenters	40	\$15.29
Construction Laborers	40	\$11.64
Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria	40	\$7.04
Correctional Officers and Jailers	40	\$12.51
Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers	40	\$14.86
Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	40	\$15.42
Chemical Plant and System Operators	30	\$28.29
Electricians	30	\$19.30
Petroleum Pump System Operators, Refinery Operators, and Gaugers	30	\$28.24
Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	30	\$18.49
Structural Iron and Steel Workers	30	\$22.30
Cooks, Restaurant	20	\$9.43
Fire Fighters	20	\$11.63
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	20	\$14.59
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators	20	\$16.26
Slot Key Persons	20	\$17.67
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	20	\$20.45

Jobs That Require Short-term, On-the-job Training or Work Experience

Jobs That Require Short-term, On-the-job Training or Work Experience	Total Annual Demand 2006-2016	Average Hourly Wage 2008
Cashiers	250	\$7.27
Retail Salespersons	180	\$10.93
Waiters and Waitresses	160	\$6.82
Food Preparation Workers	90	\$7.32
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	90	\$11.35
Child Care Workers	70	\$7.10
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, including Fast Food Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	70	\$7.09
Office Clerks, General	70	\$8.63
Receptionists and Information Clerks	70	\$9.16
Cooks, Fast Food	60	\$9.24
Personal and Home Care Aides	50	\$6.89
Bartenders	50	\$7.51*
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	40	\$6.88
Security Guards	40	\$7.38
Tellers	40	\$10.15
Counter and Rental Clerks	40	\$9.36
Gaming Cage Workers	30	\$10.43
Home Health Aides	30	\$11.01*
Hosts and Hostesses, Restaurant, Lounge, and Coffee Shop	30	\$7.13
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	30	\$8.01
Teacher Assistants	30	\$9.17
Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	30	\$14.37**
Cleaners of Vehicles and Equipment	30	\$11.44
Cooks, Short Order	20	\$8.01
Dishwashers	20	\$7.83
Gaming Change Persons and Booth Cashiers	20	\$6.93
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Retail Sales Workers	20	\$9.48
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Admin. Support Workers and Extraction Workers	60	\$15.85
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers	40	\$17.00
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	30	\$25.12
Gaming Supervisors	30	\$11.88
Sales Reps., Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products	30	\$20.83*
Executive Secretaries and Admin. Assistants	30	\$23.47
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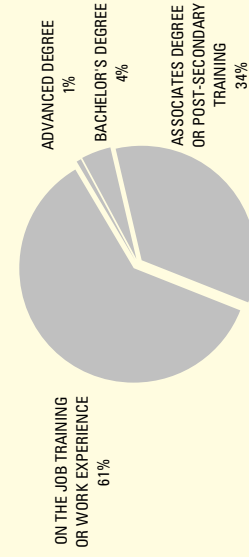
* Statewide wage

** Annual salary

N/A Wages were not available

More School?

Almost 40 percent require additional education beyond high school.



Wages

Over half of these occupations offer average hourly wages of \$10.00 or more.

