

Top Job Prospects in Southeast Wisconsin

The table below shows the occupations with the most annual openings and an above average salary.
(2006 average annual salary in Southeast Wisconsin is \$35,360)

Occupational Title	Estimated Employment				Total Annual Openings	Average Annual Salary
	2006	2008	Change	% Change		

More Than a Bachelor's Degree (Doctoral, First Professional, Master's, and Bachelor's or Higher Degree Plus Work Experience)

General and Operations Managers	1,610	1,640	30	1.9%	50	\$99,911
Industrial Production Managers	370	380	10	2.7%	20	\$85,756
Child, Family, and School Social Workers	350	360	10	2.9%	20	\$40,775
Pharmacists	310	310	0	0.0%	10	\$98,374
Sales Managers	280	280	0	0.0%	10	\$114,352
Education Administrators, Elementary and Secondary School	250	250	0	0.0%	10	\$76,882
Educational, Vocational, and School Counselors	240	240	0	0.0%	10	\$50,089
Physical Therapists	220	230	10	4.5%	10	\$65,503
Management Analysts	210	220	10	4.8%	10	\$64,700
Engineering Managers	210	220	10	4.8%	10	\$99,339

Bachelor's Degree

Registered Nurses	2,830	2,970	140	4.9%	120	\$57,460
Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education	1,750	1,760	10	0.6%	40	\$43,126
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education	1,330	1,330	0	0.0%	40	\$45,824
Accountants and Auditors	1,110	1,150	40	3.6%	40	\$58,595
Middle School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education	900	900	0	0.0%	20	\$42,613
Mechanical Engineers	480	490	10	2.1%	20	\$68,360
Purchasing Agents, Except Wholesale, Retail, and Farm Products	460	470	10	2.2%	20	\$49,821
Industrial Engineers	390	400	10	2.6%	20	\$66,022
Cost Estimators	290	300	10	3.4%	20	\$50,079
Special Education Teachers, Preschool, Kindergarten, and Elementary School	200	210	10	5.0%	20	\$47,286

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Associate Degree

Radiologic Technologists and Technicians	260	270	10	3.8%	20	\$46,466
Computer Support Specialists	380	390	10	2.6%	10	\$39,836
Dental Hygienists	320	330	10	3.1%	10	\$64,363
Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technicians	230	230	0	0.0%	10	\$44,455
Industrial Engineering Technicians	130	140	10	7.7%	10	\$41,039
Respiratory Therapists	100	110	10	10.0%	10	\$50,441
Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians	80	90	10	12.5%	10	\$37,196

Postsecondary Vocational Training

Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	340	350	10	2.9%	20	\$37,736
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	600	600	0	0.0%	10	\$37,487
Mechanical Drafters	250	250	0	0.0%	10	\$44,676
Surgical Technologists	130	140	10	7.7%	10	\$42,824
Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment	70	80	10	14.3%	10	\$51,664

Work Experience in a Related Occupation

First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Production and Operating Workers	1,520	1,550	30	2.0%	50	\$53,095
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Retail Sales Workers	1,250	1,250	0	0.0%	20	\$38,325
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Administrative Support Workers	1,240	1,240	0	0.0%	20	\$43,983
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers	460	470	10	2.2%	20	\$66,984
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Personal Service Workers	210	220	10	4.8%	20	\$37,630
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers	520	520	0	0.0%	10	\$55,706
Food Service Managers	270	280	10	3.7%	10	\$43,101
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Transportation and Material-Moving Machine and Vehicle Operators	250	250	0	0.0%	10	\$41,607

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Long-Term On-the-Job Training

Machinists	1,320	1,360	40	3.0%	50	\$35,740
Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers	680	690	10	1.5%	30	\$47,454
Carpenters	1,300	1,300	0	0.0%	20	\$36,391
Electricians	710	720	10	1.4%	20	\$54,496
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	580	590	10	1.7%	20	\$46,988
Water and Liquid Waste Treatment Plant and System Operators	130	140	10	7.7%	20	\$41,507
Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	530	530	0	0.0%	10	\$60,025
Tool and Die Makers	330	330	0	0.0%	10	\$42,849
Automotive Body and Related Repairers	270	260	-10	-3.7%	10	\$36,913

Moderate-Term On-the-Job Training

Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products	2,240	2,300	60	2.7%	90	\$71,791
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	2,430	2,490	60	2.5%	70	\$40,344
Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	1,600	1,630	30	1.9%	50	\$36,826
Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators, Metal and Plastic	840	860	20	2.4%	20	\$36,123
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators	540	560	20	3.7%	20	\$48,786
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Technical and Scientific Products	440	450	10	2.3%	20	\$73,935
Cement Masons and Concrete Finishers	290	300	10	3.4%	20	\$39,191
Welding, Soldering, and Brazing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	190	200	10	5.3%	20	\$36,427
Construction Laborers	770	770	0	0.0%	10	\$36,135
Correctional Officers and Jailers	460	450	-10	-2.2%	10	\$36,158

Short-Term On-the-Job Training

Production, Planning, and Expediting Clerks	450	450	0	0.0%	10	\$40,165
Postal Service Mail Carriers	390	390	0	0.0%	10	\$43,449
Postal Service Mail Sorters, Processors, and Processing Machine Operators	200	200	0	0.0%	10	\$39,509

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The following occupations are also included in the list but to protect the confidentiality of employers only total annual openings and typical education/training are shown:

Occupation Title	Total Annual Openings	Typical Education/Training
Fire Fighters	20	Long-term on-the-job training
Chefs and Head Cooks	20	Postsecondary vocational training
Electric Motor, Power Tool, and Related Repairers	10	Postsecondary vocational training
Engine and Other Machine Assemblers	10	Short-term on-the-job training
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Helpers, Laborers, and Material Movers, Hand	10	Work experience in a related occupation
Vocational Education Teachers, Postsecondary	10	Work experience in a related occupation

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