Opportunity Occupations Allegheny County

Feb. 2024

What are Opportunity Occupations?

Opportunity Occupations are jobs that pay at least an area's median income, and do not require a bachelor's degree. They may require a post-secondary credential, some experience, or on the job training.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, Allegheny County's median annual income in 2022 was \$46,064 a year.

Most Active Job Postings

Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and **Scientific Products**



Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 1,064 Entry Level Wage: \$19.69

Median Annual Earnings: \$73,241

Example Job Titles: Sales Representative, Sales

Consultant, and Salesperson

Total Jobs in 2023: 4,690

Top Skills Needed: Active Listening, Speaking, Negotiation, Persuasion, and Social Perceptiveness \$59,085

Median Annual Salary for Opportunity Occupations in Allegheny County

8,530

Unique Job Postings (Oct. 2023 to Dec. 2023)

126,520

Total Jobs in Opportunity Occupations (Allegheny 2023)

Of All Jobs in Allegheny County (2023)



Food Service Manager

Total Jobs in 2023: 1,017

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 445

Entry Level Wage: \$24.31

Median Annual Earnings: \$65,356

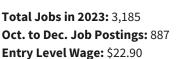
Example Job Titles: Restaurant Manager, Catering Manager, and Food and Beverage Director **Top Skills Needed:** Service Orientation, Active

Listening, Management of Personnel Resources,

Monitoring, and Speaking



Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses



Median Annual Earnings: \$54,367

Example Job Titles: *Licensed Practical Nurse* (LPN), Charge Nurse, and Office Nurse Top Skills Needed: Service Orientation, Coordination, Social Perceptiveness, Active

Listening, and Monitoring



Computer User Support Specialists

Total Jobs in 2023: 3,840

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 311

Entry Level Wage: \$17.51

Median Annual Earnings: \$55,568

Example Job Titles: Computer Support Specialist,

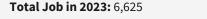
Help Desk Technician, and IT Specialist **Top Skills Needed:** Active Listening, Reading Comprehension, Speaking, Critical thinking, and

Complex Problem Solving

<u>Apprenticeship Opportunities Available</u>



Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck



Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 561 Entry Level Wage: \$18.52 **Median Annual Earnings:** \$51,771

Example Job Titles: CDL Drive (Commercial Driver's License Driver, Line Haul Driver, and Semi Truck

Top Skills Needed: Operation and Control, Monitoring, Critical Thinking and Reading Comprehension



First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers

Total Jobs in 2023: 8,782

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 207

Entry Level Wage: \$18.75 **Median Annual Earnings:** \$62,092

Example Job Titles: Office Manager, Accounting Manager, and Customer Service Manager

Top Skills Needed: Active Listening, Coordination, Monitoring, Reading Comprehension, and Social

Perceptiveness







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Dental Hygienists



Total Jobs in 2023: 948

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 198

Entry Level Wage: \$32.17

Median Annual Earnings: \$73,214

Example Job Titles: Dental Hygienist, Licensed Dental Hygienist, and Pediatric Dental Hygienist Top Skills Needed: Active Listening, Critical Thinking, Speaking, Monitoring, and Service

Orientation



Construction Laborers

Total Jobs in 2023: 4,829

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 160

Entry Level Wage: \$17.32

Median Annual Earnings: \$51,691

Example Job Titles: Construction Worker,

Equipment Operator (EO), and Scaffolding Operator Top Skills Needed: Speaking, Active Listening,

Coordination, Operation and Control, and Operations

<u>Apprenticeship Opportunities Available</u>



Radiologic Technologists and **Technicians**



Total Jobs in 2023: 1,255

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 177

Entry Level Wage: \$23.73

Median Annual Earnings: \$62,814

Example Job Titles: Radiology Technician, X-Ray Technician, Computed tomography Technologist

Top Skills Needed: Active Listening, Social Perceptiveness, Reading Comprehension, Service Orientation, and Speaking



Medical Records Specialists



Total Jobs in 2023: 1,840 Oct. to Dec. Job Postings: 133 Entry Level Wage: \$17.59 Median Annual Earnings: \$46,646

Example Job Titles: Medical Records Coordinator,

Coder, and Health Information Specialist

Top Skills Needed: Reading Comprehension, Active

Listening, Judgment and Decision Making,

Speaking, and Writing



First-Line Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers



Example Job Titles: Maintenance Manager, Facility Maintenance Supervisor, and Service Manager

Top Skills Needed: Monitoring, Management of Personnel Resources, Coordination, Critical Thinking, and Judgment and Decision Making



Production, Planning, and Expediting **Clerks**

Total Jobs in 2023: 1,048

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 133

Entry Level Wage: \$15.52

Median Annual Earnings: \$51,473

Example Job Titles: Expeditor, Inventory Control

Specialist, and Production Assistant

Top Skills Needed: Reading Comprehension, Speaking, Active Listening, Time Management,

and Critical Thinking



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Industrial Engineering Technologists and Technicians



Total Jobs in 2023: 163

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 174

Entry Level Wage: \$18.78

Median Annual Earnings: \$51,343

Example Job Titles: Business Process Analyst, Manufacturing Coordinator, and Service Technician **Top Skills Needed:** Reading Comprehension, Active Listening, Critical Thinking, Complex Problem

***Apprenticeship Opportunities Available ***



Machinists



Total Jobs in 2023: 841

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 120

Entry Level Wage: \$17.72

Median Annual Earnings: \$49,439

Example Job Titles: Machinist, CNC Machinist, and

Machine Repair Person

Top Skills Needed: Operation and Control, Critical Thinking, Monitoring, Operations Monitoring, and Active Listening

<u>Apprenticeship Opportunities Available</u>



Automotive Body and Related Repairers



Total Jobs in 2023: 611

Solving, and Monitoring

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 164

Entry Level Wage: \$17.76

Median Annual Earnings: \$48,930

Example Job Titles: Auto Body Technician, Collision Repair Technician, and Refinish Technician

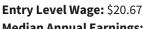
Top Skills Needed: Troubleshooting, Repairing, Active Listening, Critical Thinking, and Monitoring ***<u>Apprenticeship Opportunities Available</u>***

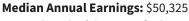


Surgical Technologist











Top Skills Needed: Monitoring, Active Listening, Operations Monitoring, Coordination, Critical **Thinking**







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Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers

Total Jobs in 2023: 1,718

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 118

Entry Level Wage: \$15.53 Median Annual Earnings: \$46,754

Example Job Titles: Quality Assurance Inspector, Quality Control Technician, and Test Technician Top Skills Needed: Quality Control Analysis, Critical Thinking, Writing, Active Listening, and

Judgement and Decision Making



Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologist

Total Jobs in 2023: 378

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 101

Entry Level Wage: \$19.04 Median Annual Earnings: \$80,055

Example Job Titles: MRI Tech (Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technician), MRI Specialist, and MRI

Top Skills Needed: Reading Comprehension, Active Listening, Monitoring, Operations Monitoring, and

Speaking



Property, Real Estate, and Community **Association Managers**

Total Jobs in 2023: 972

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 116

Entry Level Wage: \$22.37

Median Annual Earnings: \$63,202

Example Job Titles: Apartment Manger, Leasing

Manager, and Property Manager Top Skills Needed: Speaking, Reading

Comprehension, Active Listening, Coordination, and

Writing



Heating, Air Conditioning, and **Refrigeration Mechanics and** Installers

Total Jobs in 2023: 1,917 Oct. to Dec. Job Postings: 95 Entry Level Wage: \$18.30

Median Annual Earnings: \$52,237 **Example Job Titles:** A/C Tech, Refrigeration

Technician, and HVAC Service Tech

Top Skills Needed: Operations Monitoring, Critical Thinking, Troubleshooting, Installation, and

Reading Comprehension

<u>Apprenticeship Opportunities Available</u>



First-Line Supervisors of Non-Retail Sales Workers

Total Jobs in 2023: 955 Oct. to Dec. Job Postings: 114 Entry Level Wage: \$23.44

Median Annual Earnings: \$91,155

Example Job Titles: Sales Department Supervisor, Customer Service Supervisor, and Sales Team

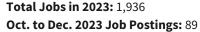
Top Skills Needed: Active Listening, Management of Personnel Resources, Monitoring, Speaking, and

Coordination



Paralegals and Legal Assistants





Entry Level Wage: \$19.21 Median Annual Earnings: \$66,420

Example Job Titles: Certified Paralegal, Legal

Analyst, and Real Estate Paralegal

Top Skills Needed: Reading Comprehension, Active Listening, Speaking, Writing, and Critical Thinking



Chefs and Head Cooks

Total Jobs in 2023: 669

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 108

Entry Level Wage: \$21.30 Median Annual Earnings: \$54,251

Example Job Titles: Chef, Executive Chef, and

Kitchen Manager

Top Skills Needed: Coordination, Monitoring, Speaking, Time Management, and Active Listening



Insurance Sales Agent

Total Jobs in 2023: 3,084

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 88

Entry Level Wage: \$18.96 Median Annual Earnings: \$59,359

Example Job Titles: *Insurance Agent, Insurance*

Broker, and Underwriting Sales Representative Top Skills Needed: Reading Comprehension, Active

Listening, Speaking, Critical Thinking, and

Persuasion



Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists

Total Jobs in 2023: 998

Oct. to Dec. 2023 Job Postings: 103

Entry Level Wage: \$18.08

Median Annual Earnings: \$51,656

Example Job Titles: Bus Mechanic, Fleet Mechanic,

and Service Technician

Top Skills Needed: Repairing, Troubleshooting, Operations Monitoring, Equipment Maintenance,

and Critical Thinking



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