

VIRGINIA WESTERN FACT BOOK

Average Full-Time Wages for Graduates 18 Months after Graduation

Graduates from career-technical education programs designed to lead directly into employment

	Average Annualized FT Wages			For the past three years:	
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	% of Graduates with wage data	Of those with wage data, % with FT wages
Graduates for:	2016	2017	2018		
Based on employment data for:					
Occupational Associate (AAS), by Area					
OVERALL	42,912	42,663	44,796	68%	89%
Business & Professional Services	36,424	37,304	38,310	76%	85%
Culinary Arts	28,745	27,767	25,821	79%	90%
Engineering, Mathematics, Mechatronics & Manufacturing	43,385	49,297	50,300	79%	98%
Health Professions	51,531	52,661	55,901	58%	98%
Information Technology	45,519	46,663	42,661	66%	80%
Public Service	32,919	33,424	29,116	70%	83%
Visual Design	36,018	33,272	30,774	73%	71%
Certificate (CERT/CSC), by Area					
OVERALL	36,649	36,740	36,524	70%	83%
Building Trades Technology	40,864	39,355	36,615	78%	91%
Business & Professional Services	33,516	36,316	31,465	70%	81%
Culinary Arts	20,949	26,797	27,925	71%	81%
Engineering, Mathematics, Mechatronics & Manufacturing	36,874	26,786	36,981	72%	70%
Health Professions	34,772	37,297	40,396	65%	81%
Information Technology	44,000	46,227	44,886	65%	80%
Public Service	23,960	27,185	19,726	43%	77%

Data Source: Virginia Employment Commission

NOTES:

includes only limited data on out-of-state employment, federal or military employment, independent contractors, or employers with less than 12 employees.

2. Annualized wages are based on the highest quarter's wages for the year following graduation, times four. Wages are not shown for categories with less than five data points.

3. Full-time employment is estimated based on the State Council of Higher Education in Virginia (SCHEV) definition for full-time wage equivalents (currently \$13,195), defined as the minimum wage times 35 hrs/wk
<http://research.schev.edu/apps/cms2/Guide-to-the-Post-Completion-Wages-of-Graduates.aspx>