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Annual salaries in S&E and S&E-related occupations: 2016–19

(Current dollars and annual growth rate)

Occupation	Mean			Median		
	Annual salaries in 2016	Annual salaries in 2019	Compound annual growth rate 2016–19 (%)	Annual salaries in 2016	Annual salaries in 2019	Compound annual growth rate 2016–19 (%)
Total, all occupations	49,630	53,490	2.3	37,040	39,810	2.0
S&E occupations	89,750	94,930	2.1	83,900	88,720	1.8
Computer and mathematical scientists	87,890	93,620	2.3	82,780	103,900	2.1
Life scientists	84,660	90,240	2.0	73,270	78,960	1.2
Physical scientists	88,220	92,100	1.7	78,210	81,800	1.2
Social scientists	81,070	86,290	2.1	73,060	77,200	1.9
Engineers	97,170	101,370	1.4	91,430	94,850	1.2
S&E-related occupations (except S&E managers, technicians, and technologists)	81,140	85,560	1.8	65,050	70,040	2.5
S&E managers, technicians, and technologists	86,390	96,030	3.6	70,070	76,860	3.1
Health-related workers	81,070	85,460	1.8	64,820	69,810	2.5
Registered nurses	72,180	77,460	2.4	68,450	73,300	2.3
Dentists, general	173,860	178,260	0.8	153,900	155,600	0.4
Family and general practitioners	200,810	213,270	2.0	190,490	205,590	2.6
Other S&E-related workers	85,280	90,900	2.2	76,310	80,960	2.0
Non-S&E occupations	44,450	47,960	2.6	33,840	36,750	2.8
Chief executives	194,350	193,850	-0.1	181,210	184,460	0.6
General and operations managers	122,090	123,030	0.3	99,310	100,780	0.5
Education administrators, postsecondary	105,770	112,400	2.0	90,760	95,410	1.7
Management analysts	91,910	95,560	1.3	81,330	85,260	1.6
Lawyers	139,880	141,890	0.5	118,160	122,960	1.3
Technical writers	73,160	76,860	1.7	69,850	72,850	1.4

STEM = science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

Note(s):

Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) Survey employment data do not cover employment in some sectors of the agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting industry; in private households; or among self-employed individuals. As a result, the data do not represent total U.S. employment. Non-S&E occupations include middle-skill and non-STEM occupations. Other S&E-related workers include actuaries, architects (except naval), postsecondary architecture teachers, and cartographers and photogrammetrists.

Source(s):

Bureau of Labor Statistics, special tabulations (2017 and 2020) of the 2016 and 2019 OES Survey.

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