## Top 100 Highest-Paying Jobs in Virginia

Prepared for School Year 2020-2021

| Occupation | Median <br> Annual <br> Wage | Typical Entry-Level <br> Degree $/$ Education | Typical Entry- <br> Level Work <br> Experience | Typical On-the-Job Training |
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| Chief Executives | $\$ 208,000$ <br> or more | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons | $\$ 208,000$ <br> or more | Doctoral/Professional | None | Internship/residency |
| Orthodontists | $\$ 208,000$ <br> or more | Doctoral/Professional | None | Internship/residency |
| General Internal Medicine Physicians | $\$ 208,000$ <br> or more | Doctoral/Professional | None | Internship/residency |
| Obstetricians and Gynecologists | $\$ 208,000$ <br> or more | Doctoral/Professional | None | Internship/residency |
| Surgeons, Except Ophthalmologists | $\$ 208,000$ <br> or more | Doctoral/Professional | None | Internship/residency |
| Family Medicine Physicians | $\$ 195,680$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | Internship/residency |
| Psychiatrists | $\$ 185,360$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | Internship/residency |
| Nurse Anesthetists | $\$ 182,800$ | Master's | None | None |
| Physicians, All Other; and Ophthalmologists, | $\$ 182,300$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | Internship/residency |
| Except Pediatric | $\$ 180,810$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | Internship/residency |
| Pediatricians, General | $\$ 166,530$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Marketing Managers | $\$ 165,140$ | Bachelor's | Less than 5 years | None |
| Sales Managers | $\$ 163,180$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Computer and Information Systems Managers |  |  |  |  |


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| Dentists, General | $\$ 161,200$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | None |
| Financial Managers | $\$ 149,760$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Architectural and Engineering Managers | $\$ 148,650$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Public Relations and Fundraising Managers | $\$ 147,190$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Political Scientists | $\$ 141,600$ | Master's | None | None |
| Training and Development Managers | $\$ 137,560$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Purchasing Managers | $\$ 133,690$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Human Resources Managers | $\$ 133,190$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Natural Sciences Managers | $\$ 133,030$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Pharmacists | $\$ 131,860$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | None |
| Personal Service Managers, All Other; <br> Entertainment and Recreation Managers, <br> Except Gambling; and Managers, All Other | $\$ 130,600$ | Bachelor's | Less than 5 years | None |
| Compensation and Benefits Managers | $\$ 130,500$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Sales Engineers | $\$ 130,030$ | Bachelor's | None | More than 1 month to 1 year |
| Lawyers | $\$ 129,630$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | None |
| Physical Scientists, All Other | $\$ 128,950$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Computer and Information Research Scientists | $\$ 128,120$ | Master's | None | None |
| Computer Network Architects | $\$ 126,930$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Engineers, All Other | $\$ 126,050$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Aerospace Engineers | $\$ 122,940$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Legal Support Workers, All Other | $\$ 122,840$ | Associate | None | None |
| General and Operations Managers | $\$ 122,470$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Funeral Home Managers | $\$ 122,280$ | Associate | Less than 5 years | None |
| Economists | $\$ 122,230$ | Master's | None | None |


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| Optometrists | $\$ 121,990$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | None |
| Mathematicians | $\$ 121,830$ | Master's | None | None |
| Advertising and Promotions Managers | Bachelor's | Less than 5 years | None |  |
| Computer Hardware Engineers | $\$ 118,870$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Chemical Engineers | $\$ 114,690$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Electronics Engineers, Except Computer | $\$ 113,430$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Industrial Production Managers | $\$ 112,320$ | Bachelor's | 5 years or more | None |
| Information Security Analysts | $\$ 111,560$ | Bachelor's | Less than 5 years | None |
| Software Developers and Software Quality <br> Assurance Analysts and Testers | $\$ 110,550$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Social Scientists and Related Workers, All <br> Other | $\$ 109,490$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Electrical Engineers | $\$ 109,310$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Education Administrators, All Other | $\$ 107,600$ | Bachelor's | Less than 5 years | None |
| Nurse Practitioners | $\$ 107,440$ | Master's | None | None |
| Atmospheric and Space Scientists | $\$ 106,670$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Computer Occupations, All Other | $\$ 106,000$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Medical and Health Services Managers | $\$ 105,450$ | Bachelor's | Less than 5 years | None |
| Psychologists, All Other | $\$ 104,690$ | Master's | None | Internship/residency |
| Operations Research Analysts | $\$ 103,420$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Physician Assistants | $\$ 102,610$ | Master's | None | None |
| Computer Systems Analysts | $\$ 102,050$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Physicists | $\$ 101,790$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | None |
| Transportation, Storage, and Distribution <br> Managers | $\$ 101,780$ | High school diploma | 5 years or more | None |


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| Database Administrators and Architects | $\$ 100,810$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Administrative Services and Facilities <br> Managers | $\$ 100,050$ | Bachelor's | Less than 5 years | None |
| Construction Managers | $\$ 99,480$ | Bachelor's | None | More than 1 month to 1 year |
| Nurse Midwives | $\$ 99,050$ | Master's | None | None |
| Veterinarians | $\$ 98,050$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | None |
| Management Analysts | $\$ 97,500$ | Bachelor's | Less than 5 years | None |
| Microbiologists | $\$ 96,790$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Education Administrators, Postsecondary | $\$ 96,500$ | Master's | Less than 5 years | None |
| Computer Programmers | $\$ 95,650$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Economics Teachers, Postsecondary | $\$ 95,300$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | None |
| Chemists | $\$ 95,140$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Lighting Technicians and Media and <br> Communication Equipment Workers, All Other | $\$ 95,120$ | High school diploma | None | 1 month or less |
| Mechanical Engineers | $\$ 94,200$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Health and Safety Engineers, Except Mining <br> Safety Engineers and Inspectors | $\$ 94,160$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Sales Representatives, Wholesale and <br> Manufacturing, Technical and Scientific <br> Products | $\$ 94,080$ | Bachelor's | None | More than 1 month to 1 year |
| Detectives and Criminal Investigators | $\$ 93,910$ | High school diploma | Less than 5 years | More than 1 month to 1 year |
| Education Administrators, Kindergarten <br> through Secondary | $\$ 92,900$ | Master's | 5 years or more | None |
| Geoscientists, Except Hydrologists and <br> Geographers | $\$ 92,470$ | Bachelor's | None | None |


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| Bioengineers and Biomedical Engineers | $\$ 92,070$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Hydrologists | $\$ 91,980$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Physical Therapists | $\$ 91,780$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | None |
| Budget Analysts | $\$ 91,400$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Personal Financial Advisors | $\$ 91,330$ | Bachelor's | None | More than 1 year |
| Financial and Investment Analysts, Financial <br> Risk Specialists, and Financial Specialists, All <br> Other | $\$ 90,560$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Occupational Therapists | $\$ 90,560$ | Master's | None | None |
| Industrial Engineers | $\$ 90,110$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Civil Engineers | $\$ 89,100$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Marine Engineers and Naval Architects | $\$ 88,890$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Network and Computer Systems <br> Administrators | $\$ 88,060$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Electrical and Electronics Repairers, <br> Powerhouse, Substation, and Relay | $\$ 87,910$ | Postsecondary <br> nondegree <br> certificate/award | Less than 5 years | More than 1 month to 1 year |
| Nuclear Engineers | $\$ 87,250$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Medical Scientists, Except Epidemiologists | $\$ 87,080$ | Doctoral/Professional | None | None |
| First-Line Supervisors of Non-Retail Sales <br> Workers | $\$ 87,010$ | High school diploma | Less than 5 years | None |
| Environmental Engineers | $\$ 86,520$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Speech-Language Pathologists | $\$ 86,350$ | Master's | None | Internship/residency |
| Architects, Except Landscape and Naval | $\$ 86,080$ | Bachelor's | None | Internship/residency |


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| Acupuncturists and Healthcare Diagnosing or <br> Treating Practitioners, All Other | $\$ 85,590$ | Master's | None | None |
| First-Line Supervisors of Police and Detectives | $\$ 85,090$ | High school diploma | Less than 5 years | More than 1 month to 1 year |
| Project Management Specialists and Business <br> Operations Specialists, All Other | $\$ 84,280$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Biological Scientists, All Other | $\$ 84,280$ | Bachelor's | None | None |
| Administrative Law Judges, Adjudicators, and <br> Hearing Officers | $\$ 84,270$ | Doctoral/Professional | 5 years or more | 1 month or less |

Data sources: 1) Wage data: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Occupational Employment Statistics, Virginia, 2019. LINK:
https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes va.htm. 2) Education data: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment Projections program. Table 5.4. - Education and training assignments by detailed occupation, United States, 2019. LINK: https://www.bls.gov/emp/tables/education-and-training-by-occupation.htm.

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