



# WASHINGTON, DC's HOT JOBS

TOMORROW'S HIGH - DEMAND • HIGH - WAGE CAREERS

## JOB OUTLOOK THROUGH 2026 Without a High School Diploma

HIGH DEMAND OCCUPATIONS	NUMERIC JOB GROWTH 2016-2026	ANNUAL MEDIAN WAGE	WORK EXPERIENCE	ON-THE-JOB TRAINING
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	513	\$37,430	None	Short-term OJT
Cooks, Restaurant	731	\$29,340	Less than 5 years	Moderate-term OJT
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	1,643	\$25,460	None	Short-term OJT
Waiters and Waitresses	622	\$24,680	None	Short-term OJT
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	2,035	\$28,930	None	Short-term OJT
Retail Salespersons	24	\$28,670	None	Short-term OJT
Cashiers	179	\$24,800	None	Short-term OJT
Bartenders	138	\$31,300	None	Short-term OJT
Food Preparation Workers	410	\$27,400	None	Short-term OJT
Dining Room and Cafeteria Attendants and Bartender Helpers	383	\$25,750	None	Short-term OJT
Hosts and Hostesses, Restaurant, Lounge, and Coffee Shop	206	\$26,450	None	Short-term OJT
Dishwashers	225	\$25,920	None	Short-term OJT
Construction Laborers	506	\$38,110	None	Short-term OJT
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	240	\$39,180	None	Short-term OJT
Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria	241	\$35,200	None	Short-term OJT
Counter Attendants, Cafeteria, Food Concession, and Coffee Shop	111	\$25,950	None	Short-term OJT
Parking Lot Attendants	97	\$25,160	None	Short-term OJT
Cement Masons and Concrete Finishers	62	\$50,850	None	Moderate-term OJT
Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers	72	\$35,150	None	Short-term OJT
Taxi Drivers and Chauffeurs	-180	\$34,130	None	Short-term OJT
Ushers, Lobby Attendants, and Ticket Takers	191	\$26,130	None	Short-term OJT
Painters, Construction and Maintenance	37	\$53,520	None	Moderate-term OJT
Food Servers, Non-restaurant	-26	\$27,580	None	Short-term OJT
Demonstrators and Product Promoters	9	\$38,140	None	Short-term OJT
Cooks, Fast Food	-90	\$24,680	None	Short-term OJT
Counter and Rental Clerks	11	\$24,670	None	Short-term OJT
Amusement and Recreation Attendants	34	\$25,520	None	Short-term OJT
Motor Vehicle Operators, All Other	12	\$54,120	None	Short-term OJT
Musicians and Singers	16	\$62,710	None	Long-term OJT
Cleaners of Vehicles and Equipment	5	\$42,950	None	Short-term OJT
Lifeguards, Ski Patrol, and Other Recreational Protective Service Workers	13	\$36,010	None	Short-term OJT
Bakers	29	\$29,280	None	Long-term OJT
Butchers and Meat Cutters	32	\$45,780	None	Long-term OJT
Telemarketers	8	\$24,680	None	Short-term OJT
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	5	\$50,580	None	Short-term OJT
Refuse and Recyclable Material Collectors	38	\$46,010	None	Short-term OJT
Laundry and Dry-Cleaning Workers	-5	\$35,460	None	Short-term OJT
Crossing Guards	9	\$35,150	None	Short-term OJT
Entertainers and Performers, Sports and Related Workers, All Other	28	\$41,500	None	Short-term OJT
Artists and Related Workers, All Other	32	\$94,810	None	Long-term OJT
Cooks, Short Order	-16	\$24,930	None	Short-term OJT
Tailors, Dressmakers, and Custom Sewers	-46	\$45,790	None	Moderate-term OJT
Pipelayers	15	\$64,880	None	Short-term OJT
Helpers--Carpenters	22	\$38,340	None	Short-term OJT
Packers and Packagers, Hand	-4	\$25,780	None	Short-term OJT
Drywall and Ceiling Tile Installers	-1	\$46,220	None	Moderate-term OJT
Food Preparation and Serving Related Workers, All Other	52	\$28,900	None	Short-term OJT
Plasterers and Stucco Masons	2	\$56,360	None	Long-term OJT
Roofers	5	\$43,740	None	Moderate-term OJT
Automotive and Watercraft Service Attendants	10	\$25,160	None	Short-term OJT

**Note:** This list includes occupations that show a favorable mix of current hiring demand (job openings and average hires), projected short-term and long-term job growth and median wages.

**Source:** Office of Labor Market Research and Information (OLMRI) • [www.does.dc.gov/page/labor-statistics](http://www.does.dc.gov/page/labor-statistics)