

Occupation Cards*

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER: Salary \$50,040

- People who do this job go to college and earn a 4-year degree.
- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job care about children.
- People who do this job work inside most of the time.
- People who do this job have a lot of paper, pencils, books, crayons, and markers nearby.
- People who do this job have to read many books.
- People who do this job don't work in an office.
- People who do this job work in a classroom.
- People who do this job are teachers.

COMPUTER PROGRAMMER: Salary \$72,010

- People who do this job go to college or have extra training after high school.
- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job might use a printer.
- People who do this job use hardware and software.
- People who do this job might create websites and develop programs.
- People who do this job learn new computer languages.
- People who do this job might know a lot about monitors, keyboards, and hard drives.
- People who do this job may or may not work in an office.
- People who do this job are computer programmers.

TRASH COLLECTOR: Salary \$22,710

- People who do this job may or may not have attended college.
- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job often wear a uniform.
- People who do this job work outside even when it is very hot or very cold.
- People who do this job might be required to drive a truck.
- People who do this job must be physically fit.
- People who do this job provide a service that almost everyone in the community wants and is willing to pay for.
- People who provide this service go from building to building.
- People who do this job often collect and sort recyclable items.
- People who do this job are trash collectors.

POLICE OFFICER: Salary \$50,670

- People who do this job may or may not have attended college.
- People who do this job must learn about laws, working with people, and gathering clues to solve problems.
- People who do this job receive special physical training.
- People who do this job usually wear a uniform.
- People who do this job work different shifts so that there are always people doing the job 24 hours a day.
- People who do this job use special equipment to collect evidence.
- This job can be very dangerous.
- Sometimes people who do this job drive a special car.
- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job are police officers.

*Source: Average salary information, 2007 Occupational Employment Statistics, Bureau of Labor Statistics at <http://stats.bls.gov>.

**PEDIATRICIAN (CHILDREN'S DOCTOR):
Salary \$145,210**

- People who do this job complete a college degree; then they complete four more years of college; then they do three or four more years of special training.
- People who do this job may wear a uniform or a special coat.
- People who do this job use special equipment—for example, to listen to a heart or examine eyes, noses, and ears.
- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job like science.
- People who do this job work in an office, clinic, or hospital.
- People who do this job try to keep children well and try to help children who are sick or injured.
- People who do this job are pediatricians.

ENGINEER: Salary \$85,430

- People who do this job have attended college and earned a degree.
- People who do this job are good at mathematics and science.
- People who do this job design and build many things including roads, machines, airplanes, cars, and bridges.
- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job may use special tools and equipment.
- People who do this job usually do not wear a uniform.
- People who do this job must read, take classes, and learn new ways to keep their skills current.
- People who do this job may work inside or outside.
- People who do this job are engineers.

FACTORY WORKER: Salary \$32,700

- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job produce items and fill orders.
- People who do this job may or may not have attended college.
- People who do this job work with machinery.
- People who do this job work inside.
- People who do this job may work on an assembly line.
- People who do this job may use computers or robots.
- People who do this job may work in a large building with many other workers.
- People who do this job are factory workers.

CARPENTER: Salary \$41,260

- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job may or may not have attended college.
- People who do this job may work inside or outside.
- People who do this job may wear a tool belt.
- People who do this job received special training, attended trade school, or learned by working for someone who knew how to do the job.
- People who do this job use hammers, saws, nails, screwdrivers, and other tools.
- People who do this job build houses, cabinets, furniture, and other items out of wood.
- People who do this job are carpenters.

BUS DRIVER: Salary \$34,150

- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job must be careful drivers.
- People who do this job may or may not have attended college.
- People who do this job may help school children.
- People who do this job should like meeting people.
- People who do this job must be patient.
- People who do this job help others get to work, school, and many other places.
- People who do this job must pass tests on knowledge of traffic rules.
- People who do this job must have good eyesight.
- People who do this job may need to read maps.
- People who do this job are bus drivers.

SALES PERSON/STORE CLERK: Salary \$24,530

- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job may or may not have attended college.
- People who do this job work with people.
- People who do this job work with a cash register/computer.
- People who do this job work with money and credit cards.
- People who do this job help customers buy goods and services.
- People who do this job usually stand up at work.
- People who do this job may order and display items on shelves.
- People who do this job are salespersons/store clerks.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (SECRETARY): Salary \$31,200

- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job use special computer skills.
- People who do this job sit at a desk most of the day.
- People who do this job may or may not have attended college.
- People who do this job have good communication skills.
- People who do this job often use a computer, telephone, copier, calculator, fax machine, or other equipment.
- People who do this job assist other people with their work.
- People who do this job may work with many other people or by themselves in an office.
- People who do this job are administrative assistants.

BARBER/HAIR STYLIST: Salary \$25,760

- Both men and women do this job.
- People who do this job usually must get special training and pass a test in order to work.
- People who do this job use scissors, clippers, and combs.
- People who do this job may or may not have attended college.
- People who do this job need a special license from the state.
- People who do this job help others look nice and neat.
- People who do this job work in a shop owned by someone else or own the shop themselves.
- People who do this job stand up to work.
- People who do this job have to mix formulas and read labels.
- People who do this job are barbers or hair stylists.