

Short-term on-the-job training (OJT): Workers develop the skills needed after a short demonstration or up to 1 month of on-the-job experience or instruction.

Moderate-term on-the-job training: Workers develop the skills needed after 1 to 12 months of combined on-the-job experience and informal training.

Long-term on-the-job training: Jobs require more than 12 months of on-the-job training or combined work experience and classroom instruction.

Postsecondary vocational training: Jobs require completion of vocational school training and may require passing an examination after completing the training.

Associate degree: Completion of the degree program requires at least 2 years of full-time academic work.

DID YOU KNOW?

The median earnings for all workers were \$23,545 in 1998.

Occupations by earnings and training requirements

Occupation	Median annual earnings, 1998	Education, training, category
Air traffic controllers	\$64,880	Long-term on-the-job-training
Elevator installers & repairers	47,860	Long-term on-the-job-training
Dental hygienists	45,890	Associate degree
Electrical powerline installers	42,600	Long-term on-the-job-training
Registered nurses	40,690	Associate degree
Aircraft mechanics	38,060	Post-secondary vocational training
Computer support specialists	37,120	Associate degree
Electrical & electronic tech.	35,970	Associate degree
Operating engineers	35,260	Moderate on-the-job-training
Postal mail carriers	34,840	Short-term on-the-job-training

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics.