FIGURE 9

- There is a wide range of opportunities in the labor market for workers in occupations with similar education levels and experience.
- Radiation therapists, for whom the most significant source of education was an associate's degree, earned an average wage higher than that of audiologists, for whom the most significant source of education was a first professional degree.
- Among workers for whom the most significant source of education was a bachelor's degree, substance abuse and behavioral disorder counselors had the lowest average wage. (However, they had a higher average wage than rehabilitation counselors, for whom the most significant source of education was a master's degree.)

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Highest and lowest paying occupations by education and training category, May 2007

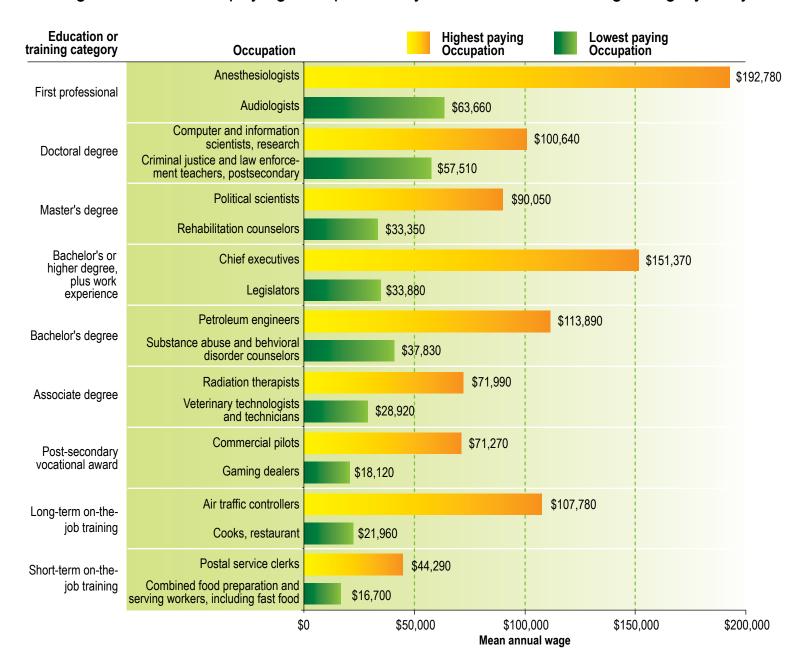




FIGURE 9 continued

- Air traffic controllers, for whom the most significant source of training was long-term on-the-job training, were paid higher wages than the highest paid occupation in four higher education levels.
- For restaurant cooks, the most significant source of training was long-term on-the-job training, while for combined food preparation and serving workers, including fast food, it was short-term on-the-job training. On average, restaurant cooks were paid almost \$3.00 more per hour than were combined food preparation and serving workers, including fast food.

