

2008 Wage Estimates for Selected Occupations (June estimate)
 Brookings Region

Occupation Title	Employed	Avg Wage	Percentile				
			10th	25th	50th	75th	90th
Management Occupations							
Chief Executives	230	\$51.14	\$16.29	\$18.34	\$24.89	NA	NA
General and Operations Managers	800	\$48.03	\$28.94	\$35.19	\$43.94	\$56.75	NA
Marketing Managers	20	\$51.89	\$33.03	\$37.32	\$48.81	\$59.78	NA
Sales Managers	80	\$51.59	\$33.98	\$40.07	\$47.19	\$62.53	NA
Public Relations Managers	20	\$34.91	\$27.05	\$29.89	\$35.00	\$39.79	\$44.79
Administrative Services Managers	70	\$36.11	\$23.85	\$28.90	\$34.91	\$41.59	\$50.06
Computer and Information Systems Managers	50	\$50.54	\$34.75	\$41.15	\$48.47	\$56.82	\$65.07
Financial Managers	200	\$49.77	\$33.87	\$39.09	\$46.05	\$55.01	\$70.50
Human Resources Managers	70	\$38.31	\$28.01	\$30.92	\$35.13	\$42.45	\$52.00
Industrial Production Managers	190	\$39.10	\$26.73	\$29.83	\$36.37	\$46.33	\$58.49
Purchasing Managers	30	\$44.00	\$30.14	\$35.91	\$42.26	\$47.71	\$61.87
Transportation, Storage, and Distribution Managers	20	\$47.05	\$29.16	\$32.60	\$43.96	\$52.82	\$65.07
Engineering Managers	60	\$50.97	\$35.55	\$40.50	\$47.82	\$61.78	NA
Natural Sciences Managers*	70	\$43.12	\$33.52	\$36.66	\$42.13	\$49.29	\$57.62
Business and Financial Operations Occupations							
Purchasing Agents, Except Wholesale, Retail & Farm Products	260	\$23.50	\$15.91	\$18.17	\$21.98	\$27.68	\$34.80
Employment Recruitment and Placement Specialists	230	\$20.31	\$15.44	\$17.19	\$19.50	\$22.73	\$26.45
Compensation, Benefits, and Job Analysis Specialists	130	\$21.08	\$15.90	\$17.39	\$19.63	\$23.42	\$28.46
Training and Development Specialists	140	\$18.13	\$12.75	\$14.53	\$17.20	\$19.90	\$25.73
Management Analysts	630	\$31.03	\$17.98	\$22.77	\$28.34	\$37.11	\$49.62
Accountants and Auditors	1,040	\$23.40	\$16.48	\$18.49	\$21.83	\$26.34	\$32.51
Computer and Mathematical Occupations							
Computer and Information Scientists, Research							
Computer Programmers	130	\$22.34	\$16.81	\$18.82	\$21.98	\$25.38	\$29.22
Computer Software Engineers, Applications	190	\$38.38	\$25.93	\$30.86	\$36.67	\$46.36	\$55.50
Computer Software Engineers, Systems Software	150	\$36.66	\$25.10	\$30.03	\$36.38	\$42.36	\$50.50
Computer Support Specialists	490	\$17.27	\$12.86	\$14.33	\$16.76	\$19.93	\$23.21
Computer Systems Analysts	190	\$30.93	\$21.52	\$24.39	\$31.35	\$36.71	\$41.25
Database Administrators	10	\$25.71	\$21.15	\$22.41	\$24.64	\$28.86	\$32.59
Network and Computer Systems Administrators	410	\$24.19	\$17.16	\$19.66	\$23.48	\$28.01	\$32.56
Network Systems and Data Communications Analysts	210	\$24.59	\$17.93	\$20.84	\$23.65	\$28.12	\$34.03
Architecture and Engineering Occupations							
Agricultural Engineers	NA	\$24.30	\$17.13	\$18.73	\$22.08	\$28.53	\$36.30
Civil Engineers	180	\$32.55	\$20.63	\$24.07	\$29.11	\$36.86	\$49.05
Electrical Engineers	110	\$29.79	\$21.19	\$24.90	\$28.92	\$34.70	\$40.55
Electronics Engineers, Except Computer	30	\$30.70	\$22.29	\$25.29	\$29.59	\$35.85	\$41.38
Environmental Engineers*	160	\$28.12	\$19.81	\$22.46	\$26.53	\$32.34	\$40.67
Health and Safety Engineers, Except Mining Safety	20	\$33.02	\$19.04	\$23.11	\$35.50	\$41.27	\$46.49
Industrial Engineers	210	\$32.70	\$22.13	\$26.43	\$31.39	\$39.21	\$46.75
Mechanical Engineers	200	\$30.99	\$21.78	\$25.34	\$30.27	\$36.39	\$41.72
Civil Engineering Technicians	150	\$14.91	\$10.56	\$12.65	\$15.00	\$17.75	\$19.31
Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technicians	120	\$18.23	\$13.51	\$15.11	\$17.67	\$20.29	\$24.55

Environmental Engineering Technicians*	10	\$18.38	\$13.32	\$14.92	\$18.55	\$21.46	\$24.06
Industrial Engineering Technicians	120	\$18.29	\$13.00	\$15.53	\$18.48	\$21.35	\$23.60
Mechanical Engineering Technicians	70	\$19.13	\$13.57	\$16.25	\$18.62	\$21.35	\$26.69
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations							
Food Scientists and Technologists	30	\$22.61	\$16.22	\$17.67	\$20.20	\$24.55	\$32.93
Soil and Plant Scientists	120	\$26.74	\$16.43	\$20.11	\$24.69	\$30.27	\$43.34
Environmental Scientists and Specialists Including Health	90	\$20.70	\$13.80	\$15.33	\$21.30	\$24.34	\$26.52
Market Research Analysts	40	\$29.43	\$17.50	\$21.15	\$27.00	\$37.66	\$47.04
Clinical Counseling and School Psychologists	30	\$29.17	\$23.38	\$25.69	\$28.69	\$32.15	\$37.31
Chemical Technicians	30	\$14.80	\$11.16	\$12.37	\$14.19	\$17.09	\$19.90
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical Occupations							
Pharmacists	300	\$41.60	\$24.21	\$37.03	\$43.80	\$48.60	\$54.03
Registered Nurses	2,640	\$23.10	\$16.75	\$18.90	\$22.28	\$25.93	\$30.03
Veterinarians	90	\$34.58	\$24.47	\$27.52	\$31.33	\$36.47	\$48.28
Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologists	220	\$20.83	\$16.04	\$17.51	\$19.92	\$23.91	\$27.63
Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians	100	\$14.29	\$10.97	\$12.21	\$13.98	\$16.13	\$18.67
Sales Reps, Wholesale & Manufacturing, Technical & Scientific Products	770	\$28.73	\$16.31	\$19.00	\$24.10	\$34.76	\$44.58
Sales Reps, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Tech & Scientific Products	1,400	\$21.48	\$13.43	\$16.34	\$19.46	\$24.36	\$33.11
Sales Engineers	30	\$33.91	\$27.65	\$30.53	\$34.67	\$38.26	\$40.31
Telemarketers	570	\$10.22	\$7.78	\$8.47	\$9.64	\$11.52	\$13.74
Office & Administrative Support Occupations							
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office & Administrative Support Workers	750	\$20.36	\$14.02	\$16.81	\$19.93	\$23.52	\$27.73
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	3,170	\$11.98	\$8.96	\$10.26	\$11.71	\$13.71	\$15.56
Customer Service Representatives	2,130	\$12.41	\$8.52	\$9.84	\$11.59	\$14.58	\$18.06
Human Resources Assistants, Except Payroll and Timekeeping	130	\$13.08	\$10.09	\$10.98	\$12.57	\$14.60	\$16.56
Production, Planning, and Expediting Clerks	290	\$15.82	\$10.89	\$12.59	\$14.73	\$17.98	\$22.16
Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks	320	\$12.63	\$9.70	\$10.83	\$12.50	\$14.47	\$15.85
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	1,810	\$9.40	\$6.24	\$7.30	\$9.03	\$11.17	\$13.28
Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	930	\$14.41	\$11.65	\$12.87	\$14.22	\$15.79	\$18.11
Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	1,880	\$11.04	\$8.54	\$9.69	\$10.91	\$12.16	\$14.07
Computer Operators	10	\$13.98	\$10.43	\$11.31	\$12.84	\$16.24	\$19.81
Installation, Maintenance, & Repair Occupations							
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers	350	\$26.44	\$18.06	\$21.23	\$26.29	\$31.16	\$36.36
Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers Except Line Installers	190	\$27.98	\$18.06	\$25.25	\$29.37	\$32.40	\$35.77
Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment	90	\$21.97	\$13.56	\$16.77	\$20.63	\$26.78	\$34.35
Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	20	\$15.08	\$12.62	\$13.40	\$14.71	\$16.96	\$18.49
Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines	90	\$18.32	\$13.56	\$15.20	\$18.17	\$21.69	\$23.84
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	730	\$13.35	\$10.05	\$11.39	\$13.20	\$14.83	\$17.27
Maintenance Workers, Machinery	30	\$10.57	\$7.68	\$9.72	\$10.86	\$11.95	\$13.04
Production Occupations							
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Production	800	\$22.75	\$16.16	\$18.35	\$21.84	\$26.31	\$30.96
Electrical and Electronic Equipment Assemblers	840	\$10.48	\$8.26	\$9.19	\$10.26	\$11.44	\$13.46
Structural Metal Fabricators and Fitters	90	\$12.85	\$9.20	\$10.25	\$11.98	\$14.40	\$19.25
Team Assemblers	2,420	\$10.98	\$8.24	\$9.47	\$10.95	\$12.34	\$14.32

Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators, Metal and Plastic	270	\$13.71	\$10.85	\$12.24	\$13.57	\$14.98	\$17.17
Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	490	\$13.95	\$10.67	\$11.99	\$13.78	\$15.96	\$17.96
Drilling and Boring Machine Tool Setters Operators & Tenders Metal and Plastic	160	\$13.56	\$10.54	\$11.91	\$13.54	\$15.10	\$17.03
Machinists	590	\$14.59	\$11.24	\$12.89	\$14.50	\$16.50	\$18.35
Molding Coremaking and Casting Machine Setters Operators and Tenders Metal and Plasti	250	\$12.19	\$9.49	\$10.48	\$11.84	\$13.90	\$15.82
Tool and Die Makers	130	\$17.10	\$12.78	\$15.52	\$17.39	\$19.08	\$20.76
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	1,690	\$13.69	\$10.56	\$11.98	\$13.53	\$15.02	\$17.02
Inspectors Testers Sorters Samplers and Weighers	330	\$14.19	\$10.72	\$12.19	\$14.15	\$16.19	\$18.01
Packaging and Filling Machine Operators and Tenders	550	\$12.30	\$8.59	\$10.34	\$12.25	\$14.11	\$16.62
Coating, Painting, and Spraying Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	580	\$13.08	\$10.00	\$11.15	\$12.96	\$14.88	\$17.17
Painters, Transportation Equipment	80	\$13.71	\$11.96	\$12.64	\$13.56	\$14.47	\$16.01
Helpers--Production Workers*	20	\$10.68	\$8.97	\$9.67	\$10.59	\$11.54	\$13.22
Transportation & Material Moving Occupations							
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Helpers, Laborers	70	\$20.03	\$14.41	\$16.42	\$18.73	\$22.68	\$28.73
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Transportation and Material-Moving	170	\$23.01	\$15.73	\$18.96	\$22.99	\$27.31	\$30.66
Truck Drivers Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	2,290	\$16.39	\$11.60	\$13.23	\$15.87	\$18.95	\$22.68
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	430	\$13.58	\$10.45	\$11.69	\$13.37	\$15.14	\$17.84
Laborers and Freight Stock and Material Movers, Hand	3,130	\$10.03	\$7.80	\$8.51	\$9.66	\$11.40	\$13.09
Machine Feeders and Offbearers	310	\$10.62	\$8.39	\$9.22	\$10.44	\$11.75	\$13.19
Packers and Packagers Hand	1,340	\$9.66	\$6.25	\$7.43	\$9.47	\$11.71	\$13.79

* Data are statewide

Sources/Notes: SD Department of Labor (www.state.sd.us/dol)