

Rhode Island Occupational Cluster Analysis May 2025

To assist in the evaluation of current education and workforce programming needs, the Governor's Workforce Board has updated the summary and quadrant analysis for Rhode Island's twenty-two (22) major occupation groups or "occupational clusters."

This document provides median wages and projected annual openings by occupational cluster using the most current labor market data available.

The Board does not recommend utilizing this tool as the sole source of data in decision-making processes; but in conjunction with other sources of information and input; and in consideration of factors including local area demand and growth potential within specific occupations and industries.

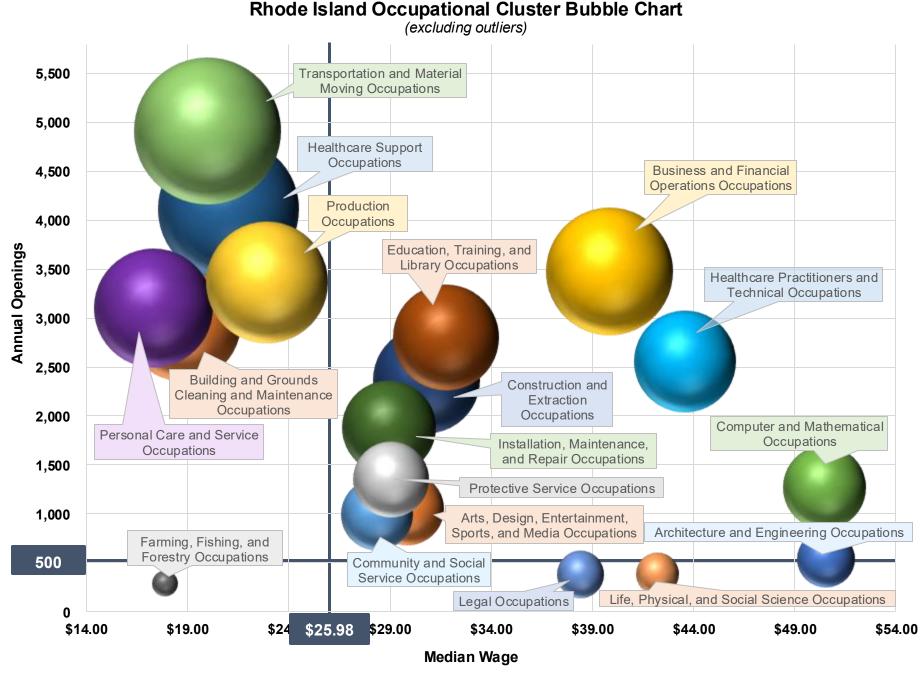
To view data on the individual occupations within each cluster, please reference Appendix A or visit the Rhode Island Labor Market Information website at www.dlt.ri.gov/lmi

Appendix A: Occupational Cluster Breakdown

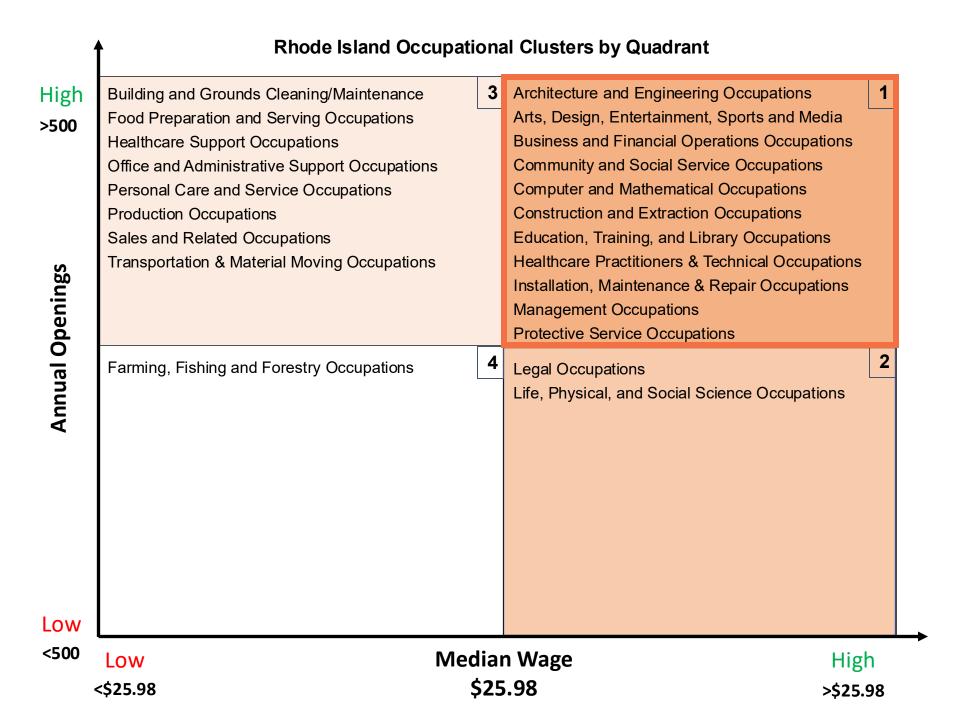
Rhode Island Labor Market Data

Rhode Island Occupational Clusters	Median Wage	Estimated Annual Job Openings	Market Share
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	\$50.54	536	1%
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	\$29.85	1,040	2%
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	\$18.77	2,944	5%
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	\$39.85	3,470	6%
Community and Social Service Occupations	\$28.34	991	2%
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	\$50.48	1,263	2%
Construction and Extraction Occupations	\$30.82	2,359	4%
Educational Instruction and Library Occupations	\$31.76	2,795	4%
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	\$17.89	279	0%
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	\$16.94	9,331	15%
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	\$43.60	2,555	4%
Healthcare Support Occupations	\$21.00	4,113	7%
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	\$28.93	1,876	3%
Legal Occupations	\$38.41	372	1%
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	\$42.21	384	1%
Management Occupations	\$59.06	2,123	3%
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	\$23.40	6,888	11%
Personal Care and Service Occupations	\$17.32	3,096	5%
Production Occupations	\$22.90	3,362	5%
Protective Service Occupations	\$29.05	1,348	2%
Sales and Related Occupations	\$18.45	6,473	10%
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	\$20.00	4,909	8%

\$25.98	62,508	100%



Outliers: 1) Management Occupations, 2) Food Preparation & Serving Occupations, 3) Office & Administrative Support Occupations, 4) Sales & Related Occupations



Summary of Occupational Clusters by Quadrant

Rhode Island Occupational Clusters	Median Wage	Annual Job Openings	Post-Secondary Degree Typically Required?	Quadrant	Quadrant Characteristics
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	\$50.54	536	Yes	1	Median Wage: >\$25.98 Annual Openings: >500
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	\$29.85	1,040	Yes	1	
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	\$39.85	3,470	Yes	1	
Community and Social Service Occupations	\$28.34	991	Yes	1	
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	\$50.48	1,263	Yes	1	
Construction and Extraction Occupations	\$30.82	2,359	No	1	
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	\$31.76	2,795	Yes	1	
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	\$43.60	2,555	Yes	1	
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	\$28.93	1,876	No	1	
Management Occupations	\$59.06	2,123	Yes	1	
Protective Service Occupations	\$29.05	1,348	No	1	
Legal Occupations	\$38.41	372	Yes	2	Median Wage: >\$25.98
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	\$42.21	384	Yes	2	Annual Openings: <500
Building/Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	\$18.77	2,944	No	3	Median Wage: <\$25.98 Annual Openings: >500
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	\$16.94	9,331	No	3	
Healthcare Support Occupations	\$21.00	4,113	No	3	
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	\$23.40	6,888	No	3	
Personal Care and Service Occupations	\$17.32	3,096	No	3	
Production Occupations	\$22.90	3,362	No	3	
Sales and Related Occupations	\$18.45	6,473	No	3	
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	\$20.00	4,909	No	3	
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	\$17.89	279	No	4	Median Wage: <\$25.98 Annual Openings: <500

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