

# Career Outlook 2014

## Kansas City Region



[www.missourieconomy.org](http://www.missourieconomy.org)

## Job Information

### Career Voyages

[www.careervoyages.gov/](http://www.careervoyages.gov/)

### Missouri Career Information Hotline

[http://outreach.missouri.edu/career\\_options](http://outreach.missouri.edu/career_options)

### Missouri Economic Research & Information Center (MERIC)

[www.missourieconomy.org](http://www.missourieconomy.org)

### Occupational Information Network

<http://online.onetcenter.org>

## Job Search Web Resources

### America's Job Bank

[www.ajb.org](http://www.ajb.org)

### Career One Stop

[www.careeronestop.org](http://www.careeronestop.org)

### Missouri JobCrawler

[www.greathirescrawler.org](http://www.greathirescrawler.org)

### Missouri's Workforce Resource

[www.missouricareersource.com](http://www.missouricareersource.com)

## Data Resources

### ACT/WorkKeys®

[www.act.org/workkeys/assess](http://www.act.org/workkeys/assess)

### Career Clusters

<http://www.careerclusters.org/>



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# Kansas City Region TOP 50

Careers in the Kansas City Region with the most job openings between 2004-2014  
For a complete listing of occupations, wages, and skills information, visit the MERIC website at:

[www.missourieconomy.org](http://www.missourieconomy.org)

Occupation	Total Openings	Average Annual Wage	Education/ Experience Typically Required	Grade	WorkKeys® Scores		
					AM	LI	RI
<b>Architecture and Construction</b>							
Carpenters	2,430	\$39,490	Long-term on-the-job training	A-	5	5	4
Operating Engineers & Other Construction Equipment Operators	850	\$44,800	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A	3	4	3
First-Line Managers of Construction Trades & Extraction Workers	720	\$57,200	Work experience in a related occ.	A	5	4	4
Electricians	530	\$47,140	Long-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	4
Cement Masons & Concrete Finishers	490	\$39,840	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	4
Plumbers, Pipefitters, & Steamfitters	470	\$49,790	Long-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	4
Cost Estimators	420	\$56,570	Work experience in a related occ.	A-	6	6	5
Construction Managers	390	\$70,620	Bachelor's degree	A-	6	5	5
Structural Iron & Steel Workers	280	\$49,820	Long-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	4
<b>Art, A/V Technology, and Communications</b>							
Writers & Authors	600	\$44,210	Bachelor's degree	A	0	4	5
<b>Business, Management, and Administration</b>							
General & Operations Managers	2,230	\$91,550	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus exp.	A-	5	5	5
Business Operations Specialists, All Other	1,940	\$59,590	Bachelor's degree	A+	5	4	5
Management Analysts	1,012	\$67,980	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus exp.	A+	5	5	5
Managers, All Other	820	\$85,440	Work experience in a related occ.	A-	5	5	5
Chief Executives	790	\$140,170	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus exp.	A-	6	5	6
Legal Secretaries	630	\$38,660	Postsecondary vocational training	A-	3	4	5
<b>Education and Training</b>							
Special Education Teachers, Preschool, & Elementary School	610	\$39,870	Bachelor's degree	A-	4	5	5
Coaches & Scouts	360	\$48,110	Long-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	4
Training & Development Specialists	350	\$49,130	Bachelor's degree	A-	5	4	5
Educational, Vocational, & School Counselors	350	\$45,850	Master's degree	A-	3	5	5
<b>Finance</b>							
Accountants & Auditors	3,390	\$52,630	Bachelor's degree	A	6	5	5
Insurance Sales Agents	1,220	\$78,590	Bachelor's degree	A-	5	5	6
Financial Managers	530	\$89,260	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus exp.	A-	6	5	6
<b>Government and Public Administration</b>							
Compliance Officers, except Ag., Construc., Health & Safety, & Transport.	350	\$50,830	Long-term on-the-job training	A-	5	5	5
<b>Health Science</b>							
Registered Nurses	4,540	\$52,570	Associate degree	A	4	4	5
Radiologic Technologists & Technicians	480	\$46,380	Associate degree	A	4	4	4
<b>Information Technology</b>							
Computer Software Engineers, Applications	2,128	\$71,260	Bachelor's degree	A+	7	5	5
Computer Systems Analysts	1,581	\$68,210	Bachelor's degree	A+	5	5	5
Network Systems & Data Communications Analysts	839	\$57,650	Bachelor's degree	A+	6	5	5
Computer Support Specialists	790	\$42,830	Associate degree	A-	5	4	5
Computer & Information Systems Managers	768	\$93,570	Bachelor's or higher, plus exp.	A+	6	5	5
Computer Software Engineers, Systems Software	730	\$71,370	Bachelor's degree	A+	7	5	5
Network & Computer Systems Administrators	592	\$58,120	Bachelor's degree	A+	5	5	5
<b>Law, Public Safety, and Security</b>							
Lawyers	1,319	\$106,850	First professional degree	A+	4	5	7
Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers	1,010	\$41,750	Long-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	5
Fire Fighters	970	\$35,560	Long-term on-the-job training	A-	4	5	4
Paralegals & Legal Assistants	890	\$39,500	Associate degree	A-	4	4	6
Legal Support Workers, All Other	570	\$42,110	Bachelor's degree	A-	4	4	5
<b>Manufacturing</b>							
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Production & Operating Workers	600	\$50,970	Work experience in a related occ.	A-	5	4	4
Purchasing Agents, Except Wholesale, Retail, & Farm Products	460	\$48,420	Work experience in a related occ.	A-	5	6	5
<b>Marketing, Sales, and Service</b>							
Sales Rep., Wholesale & Manuf., except Technical & Scientific Product	2,510	\$50,900	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A-	5	4	5
Sales Representatives, Services, All Other	520	\$52,860	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A	4	4	4
Sales Managers	520	\$108,230	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus exp.	A	5	5	5
Public Relations Specialists	480	\$45,460	Bachelor's degree	A	0	5	5
Sales Rep, Wholesale & Manufacturing, Technical & Scientific Products	470	\$59,180	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	4
Advertising Sales Agents	400	\$46,710	Moderate-term on-the-job training	A-	4	4	5
Market Research Analysts	320	\$59,980	Bachelor's degree	A-	6	5	5
Marketing Managers	290	\$83,940	Bachelor's or higher degree, plus exp.	A-	5	5	5
<b>Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics</b>							
Industrial Engineers	620	\$70,110	Bachelor's degree	A	7	5	6
Civil Engineers	300	\$67,760	Bachelor's degree	A-	7	5	6

## Career Clusters:

Based on the National Career Clusters with occupations assigned to primary career clusters.  
Some occupations may be in multiple clusters, therefore, primary cluster status was established.

## WorkKeys® Skills Scores:

Range - least complex (3) to most complex (7)  
AM - Applied Mathematics (Level 3-7)  
LI - Locating Information (Level 3-6)  
RI - Reading for Information (Level 3-7)