

Handout #3

Who Are the Workers in Greater Seattle That Can't Afford a Median-Priced Home?

Mean (Average) Wages, by Occupation for the Seattle-Bellevue-Everett MSA
(includes King, Snohomish & Island counties)

From: Washington Employment Security Department OEW Occupational Employment & Wage Data.
<http://www.wa.gov/esd/lmea/ocdata/2005oes/TOC007.htm>

MANAGEMENT OCCUPATIONS	Mean (Avg) Wage \$
Education Administrators, Preschool and Child Care Center/Program	55,262
BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OCCUPATIONS	
Agents and Business Managers of Artists, Performers, and Athletes	42,419
Purchasing Agents and Buyers, Farm Products	47,246
Wholesale and Retail Buyers, Except Farm Products	52,877
Purchasing Agents, Except Wholesale, Retail, and Farm Products	58,239
Claims Adjusters, Examiners, and Investigators	54,040
Insurance Appraisers, Auto Damage	48,321
Agents and Business Managers of Artists, Performers, and Athletes	42,419
Compliance Officers, Except Agriculture, Construction, Health & Safety, and Transportation	55,804
Cost Estimators	60,902
Employment, Recruitment, and Placement Specialists	62,541
Compensation, Benefits, and Job Analysis Specialists	53,944
Training and Development Specialists	56,771
Human Resources, Training, and Labor Relations Specialists, All Other	62,665
Meeting and Convention Planners	46,928
Accountants and Auditors	63,594
Appraisers and Assessors of Real Estate	52,923
Budget Analysts	61,480
Computer Support Specialists	54,957
Statisticians	57,405
Mathematical Technicians	46,463
Mathematical Scientists, All Other	52,581
ARCHITECTURE AND ENGINEERING OCCUPATIONS	
Landscape Architects	56,818
Cartographers and Photogrammetrists	55,885
Surveyors	59,424
Chemical Engineers	63,376
Materials Engineers	57,565
Architectural and Civil Drafters	42,120
LIFE, PHYSICAL, AND SOCIAL SCIENCE OCCUPATIONS	
Microbiologists	53,930
Zoologists and Wildlife Biologists	58,774
Biological Scientists, All Other	57,962
Foresters	50,589
Chemists	62,415
Materials Scientists	64,765
Environmental Scientists and Specialists, Including Health	64,896

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES OCCUPATIONS	
Substance Abuse and Behavioral Disorder Counselors	34,408
Educational, Vocational, and School Counselors	46,369
Marriage and Family Therapists	37,205
Mental Health Counselors	40,298
Rehabilitation Counselors	31,871
Counselors, All Other	39,253
Child, Family, and School Social Workers	34,050
Medical and Public Health Social Workers	49,033
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Social Workers	42,962
Social Workers, All Other	47,334
Health Educators	50,692
Probation Officers and Correctional Treatment Specialists	47,097
Social and Human Service Assistants	24,591
Community and Social Service Specialists, All Other	44,357
Clergy	49,141
Religious Workers, All Other	49,210
LEGAL OCCUPATIONS	
Arbitrators, Mediators, and Conciliators	60,652
Paralegals and Legal Assistants	52,301
Law Clerks	47,415
Title Examiners, Abstractors, and Searchers	42,772
Legal Support Workers, All Other	46,761
EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND LIBRARY OCCUPATIONS	
Computer Science Teachers, Postsecondary	60,751
Psychology Teachers, Postsecondary	63,355
Social Sciences Teachers, Postsecondary, All Other	50,744
Art, Drama, and Music Teachers, Postsecondary	50,628
Communications Teachers, Postsecondary	55,027
English Language and Literature Teachers, Postsecondary	54,463
Foreign Language and Literature Teachers, Postsecondary	53,222
History Teachers, Postsecondary	64,817
Philosophy and Religion Teachers, Postsecondary	55,319
Home Economics Teachers, Postsecondary	48,412
Recreation and Fitness Studies Teachers, Postsecondary	36,333
Vocational Education Teachers, Postsecondary	47,205
ARTS, DESIGN, ENTERTAINMENT, SPORTS, AND MEDIA OCCUPATIONS	
Fine Artists, Including Painters, Sculptors, and Illustrators	49,944
Multi-Media Artists and Animators	63,570
Artists and Related Workers, All Other	35,041
Fashion Designers	48,609
Floral Designers	30,223
Graphic Designers	49,658
Interior Designers	48,876
Merchandise Displayers and Window Trimmers	32,162
Set and Exhibit Designers	44,150
Coaches and Scouts	35,175
Choreographers	52,790
HEALTHCARE PRACTITIONERS AND TECHNICAL OCCUPATIONS	
Dietitians and Nutritionists	51,891
Registered Nurses	63,680
Audiologists	61,908
Occupational Therapists	54,223

Physical Therapists	60,778
HEALTHCARE SUPPORT OCCUPATIONS	
Home Health Aides	22,225
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	26,126
Psychiatric Aides	31,117
Occupational Therapist Assistants	38,298
Occupational Therapist Aides	26,029
Physical Therapist Assistants	36,961
Physical Therapist Aides	25,724
Massage Therapists	50,936
Dental Assistants	35,054
Medical Assistants	32,490
Medical Equipment Preparers	28,851
Medical Transcriptionists	34,893
Pharmacy Aides	22,289
Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory Animal Caretakers	25,383
Healthcare Support Workers, All Other	30,172
PROTECTIVE SERVICE OCCUPATIONS	
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Correctional Officers	55,812
First-Line Supervisors/Managers, Protective Service Workers, All Other	48,051
Fire Fighters	52,420
Correctional Officers and Jailers	43,014
Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers	59,206
Animal Control Workers	40,026
Private Detectives and Investigators	47,981
Gaming Surveillance Officers and Gaming Investigators	25,170
Security Guards	26,480
Crossing Guards	32,348
Lifeguards, Ski Patrol, and Other Recreational Protective Service Workers	20,342
Protective Service Workers, All Other	36,027
FOOD PREPARATION AND SERVING-RELATED OCCUPATIONS	
Chefs and Head Cooks	44,002
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	39,533
Cooks, Fast Food	19,750
Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria	25,835
Cooks, Restaurant	24,017
Cooks, Short Order	22,120
Cooks, All Other	30,664
Food Preparation Workers	21,503
Bartenders	21,113
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	19,170
Counter Attendants, Cafeteria, Food Concession, and Coffee Shop	18,210
Waiters and Waitresses	21,773
Food Servers, Nonrestaurant	19,599
Dining Room and Cafeteria Attendants and Bartender Helpers	17,793
Dishwashers	19,077
Hosts and Hostesses, Restaurant, Lounge, and Coffee Shop	18,733
Food Preparation and Serving Related Workers, All Other	21,732
BUILDING AND GROUNDS CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE OCCUPATIONS	
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Housekeeping and Janitorial Workers	39,435
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Landscaping, Lawn Service, and Groundskeeping Workers	47,907
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	25,570

Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	20,340
Pest Control Workers	30,730
Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers	26,281
Pesticide Handlers, Sprayers, and Applicators, Vegetation	32,264
Grounds Maintenance Workers, All Other	21,825
PERSONAL CARE AND SERVICE OCCUPATIONS	
Gaming Supervisors	41,451
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Personal Service Workers	42,796
Animal Trainers	20,737
Nonfarm Animal Caretakers	23,228
Gaming Dealers	18,900
Gaming Service Workers, All Other	20,024
Motion Picture Projectionists	19,973
Ushers, Lobby Attendants, and Ticket Takers	20,127
Amusement and Recreation Attendants	18,829
Costume Attendants	32,921
Locker Room, Coatroom, and Dressing Room Attendants	19,945
Entertainment Attendants and Related Workers, All Other	21,027
Embalmers	41,383
Funeral Attendants	25,778
Barbers	26,521
Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists	29,924
Manicurists and Pedicurists	20,648
Skin Care Specialists	37,862
Baggage Porters and Bellhops	25,347
SALES AND RELATED OCCUPATIONS	
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Retail Sales Workers	47,671
Cashiers	23,167
Counter and Rental Clerks	22,904
Parts Salespersons	40,341
Retail Salespersons	25,746
Advertising Sales Agents	55,064
Travel Agents	32,536
Sales Representatives, Services, All Other	56,745
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products	56,405
Demonstrators and Product Promoters	21,635
Models	33,125
Real Estate Sales Agents	50,816
Telemarketers	29,284
OFFICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OCCUPATIONS	
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Administrative Support Workers	53,901
Switchboard Operators, Including Answering Service	26,343
Communications Equipment Operators, All Other	38,515
Bill and Account Collectors	32,621
Billing and Posting Clerks and Machine Operators	32,335
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	33,340
Gaming Cage Workers	23,909
Payroll and Timekeeping Clerks	37,115
Procurement Clerks	31,771
Tellers	24,127
Brokerage Clerks	36,861
Correspondence Clerks	33,104
Court, Municipal, and License Clerks	39,022

Credit Authorizers, Checkers, and Clerks	34,123
Customer Service Representatives	37,188
Eligibility Interviewers, Government Programs	38,374
File Clerks	31,225
Hotel, Motel, and Resort Desk Clerks	21,672
Interviewers, Except Eligibility and Loan	26,394
FARMING, FISHING, AND FORESTRY OCCUPATIONS	
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Workers	48,283
Agricultural Inspectors	40,109
Graders and Sorters, Agricultural Products	19,557
Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse	21,783
Farmworkers, Farm and Ranch Animals	20,913
Agricultural Workers, All Other	35,923
Logging Equipment Operators	46,439
Log Graders and Scalers	41,652
CONSTRUCTION AND EXTRACTION OCCUPATIONS	
Brickmasons and Blockmasons	56,126
Stonemasons	42,570
Carpenters	48,226
Carpet Installers	49,239
Floor Layers, Except Carpet, Wood, and Hard Tiles	41,548
Tile and Marble Setters	52,999
Cement Masons and Concrete Finishers	38,100
Construction Laborers	35,442
Paving, Surfacing, and Tamping Equipment Operators	48,000
Pile-Driver Operators	64,604
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators	55,701
Drywall and Ceiling Tile Installers	55,930
Tapers	48,622
Electricians	55,661
Glaziers	45,138
Insulation Workers, Floor, Ceiling, and Wall	50,306
Painters, Construction and Maintenance	36,993
Paperhangers	52,087
INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, AND REPAIR OCCUPATIONS	
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers	63,155
Computer, Automated Teller, and Office Machine Repairers	39,002
Radio Mechanics	50,147
Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers, Except Line Installers	49,992
Avionics Technicians	48,575
Electric Motor, Power Tool, and Related Repairers	40,679
Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment	52,763
Electronic Equipment Installers and Repairers, Motor Vehicles	22,252
Electronic Home Entertainment Equipment Installers and Repairers	34,450
Security and Fire Alarm Systems Installers	43,642
Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	50,097
Automotive Body and Related Repairers	45,761
Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	41,291
Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	47,133
Farm Equipment Mechanics	35,777
Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines	46,155
Motorboat Mechanics	37,480
Motorcycle Mechanics	31,158
Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engine Mechanics	28,838

PRODUCTION OCCUPATIONS	
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Production and Operating Workers	56,581
Coil Winders, Tapers, and Finishers	29,904
Electrical and Electronic Equipment Assemblers	33,008
Electromechanical Equipment Assemblers	35,450
Structural Metal Fabricators and Fitters	32,001
Fiberglass Laminators and Fabricators	30,976
Team Assemblers	28,490
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	32,342
Bakers	24,192
Butchers and Meat Cutters	35,117
Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	30,800
Slaughterers and Meat Packers	25,013
Food and Tobacco Roasting, Baking, and Drying Machine Operators and Tenders	26,735
Food Batchmakers	30,362
Food Cooking Machine Operators and Tenders	22,937
Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators, Metal and Plastic	41,849
Numerical Tool and Process Control Programmers	54,907
Extruding and Drawing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	31,259
Forging Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	35,138
TRANSPORTATION AND MATERIAL MOVING OCCUPATIONS	
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Helpers, Laborers, and Material Movers, Hand	48,439
First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Transportation and Material-Moving Machine and Vehicle Operators	60,719
Commercial Pilots	63,994
Ambulance Drivers and Attendants, Except Emergency Medical Technicians	24,827
Bus Drivers, School	32,401
Driver/Sales Workers	22,515
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	37,250
Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	29,973
Taxi Drivers and Chauffeurs	25,671
Motor Vehicle Operators, All Other	26,947
Sailors and Marine Oilers	40,311
Captains, Mates, and Pilots of Water Vessels	59,820
Ship Engineers	59,086
Bridge and Lock Tenders	40,090
Parking Lot Attendants	21,001
Service Station Attendants	19,866
Transportation Workers, All Other	42,366