

INDUSTRY PROFILES

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3,714
TOTAL
EMPLOYEES





4,008
NEW &
REPLACEMENT
OPENINGS BY
2032

24% FORECASTED GROWTH BY 2032





\$368
MILLION
IN LANE COUNTY
PAYROLL

749 TOTAL ESTABLISHMENTS





TECHNOLOGY

The Oregon Employment Department has released data on common occupations in the Technology sector, highlighting the 2024 numbers, average wages, and the typical entry-level education for each role. Below is a summary:

Occupation	2024 Average Annual Wages	Typical Entry Level Education
Architects, Except Landscape and Naval	\$78,362	Bachelor's degree
Biological Technicians	\$50,842	Associate's degree
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	\$50,346	Postsecondary training (non-degree)
Chemists	\$99,837	Bachelor's degree
Civil Engineers	\$99,442	Bachelor's degree
Computer and Information Systems Managers	\$144,266	Bachelor's degree
Computer Programmers	\$95,350	Bachelor's degree
Computer Systems Analysts	\$107,974	Bachelor's degree
Computer User Support Specialists	\$62,716	Postsecondary training (non-degree)
Electrical, Electronic, and Electromechanical Assemblers, Except Coil Winders, Tapers, and Finishers	\$45,790	High school diploma or equivalent

OUR MISSION:

To meet the workforce needs of employers and individuals through partnerships and innovation.

TECHNOLOGY



Local tech firm Emano Flow, winner at the TAO Tech Awards in 2023, in Portland, Oregon.

The tech sector in Lane County includes roughly 749 firms in industries like software publishing, data processing services, and electronic manufacturing. Together, these firms employed 3,714 workers in 2023 and contributed over \$368 million in total payroll. Trends show the sector grew after the Great Recession, gaining roughly 520 jobs between 2012 and 2014 from a variety of manufacturing, software, and computer service firms. Between 2015 and 2021, the sector was down 736 jobs, largely due to published layoffs at Symantec. However, new and expanding tech firms countered these job losses. The number of new firms in the tech sector grew significantly between 2015 and 2021. The tech sector was one of the least affected by COVID-19 restrictions since many of the occupations in the nonmanufacturing tech industries can be done effectively from home.

Tech sector wages are high. In 2023, the average annual wage was \$99,273 compared to \$56,320 for all industries in Lane County.

At the occupational level, common occupations in the industry show a combination of highly paid technical occupations and generally lower paid office personnel. Table 11 shows the most common occupations in the sector with average annual wages.

The Oregon Employment Department forecasts show the tech sector will grow by 24 percent in Lane County between 2022 and 2032, compared to 10% for all industries, for a total of 4,008 openings. Growth is helped by the addition of new establishments in recent years.