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5 High-Paying Jobs You Can Get Without a Bachelor's Degree

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, more than 60 percent of U.S. workers don't have a bachelor's degree. If you have an associate's degree or a postsecondary non-degree, you can still get a high-paying job.

The list of five careers below shows the number of projected job openings through 2020. Wages include the median hourly, weekly, annual pay, sales commissions, and bonus earnings as of May 2010, excluding overtime. Salaries in all careers have increased slightly since 2010.

Air traffic controllers monitor and direct the movement of aircraft. Median annual wages of air traffic controllers are the highest of any occupation in which workers typically do not need a bachelor's degree.

Median annual wage: \$108,040
Degree required: Associate's degree
Projected job openings: 10,200
Work experience: None
On-the-job training: Long-term

General and operations managers coordinate an organization's daily activities. These managers might develop policies, oversee budget activities, or review sales reports.

Median annual wage: \$94,400
Degree required: Associate's degree
Projected job openings: 410,100
Work experience: 1 to 5 years
On-the-job training: None

Construction managers oversee construction projects from start to finish. They set timelines, prepare contracts, and manage budgets.

Median annual wage: \$83,860
Degree required: Associate's degree
Projected job openings: 120,400

Work experience: More than 5 years
On-the-job training: None

Transportation, storage, and distribution managers manage operations that range from railroads to shipping facilities. They develop budgets, set policies and standards, and direct procurement of supplies and equipment.

Median annual wage: \$80,210
Degree required: HS diploma
Projected job openings: 33,700
Work experience: More than 5 years
On-the-job training: None

First-line supervisors of police and detectives coordinate activities of the police force.

Median annual wage: \$78,260
Degree required: HS diploma
Projected job openings: 38,700
Work experience: 1 to 5 years
On-the-job training: Moderate-term

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