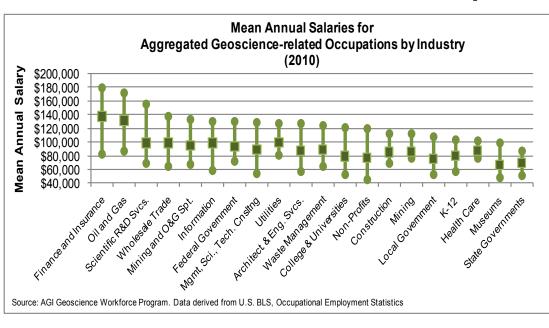
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2010 Salaries for Geoscience-related Occupations by Industry



In 2010, average aggregated salaries for geoscience-related occupations ranged from \$137,660 for geoscience-related occupations in the finance and insurance industry to \$69,949 for geoscience-related occupations in state government. Salary ranges for the aggregated occupations were as narrow as \$26,250 for geoscience-related occupations in the health care industry (\$102,640-\$76,390) to as wide as \$96,960 for geosciencerelated occupations in the finance and insurance industry (\$179,610-\$82,650).

In 2010, mean annual salaries for geoscience-related occupations ranged from \$67,801 for environmental scientists to \$125,900 for engineering managers. Salary ranges for geoscience-related occupations were as narrow as \$16,580 for hydrologists and as wide as \$100,410 for petroleum engineers. The oil and gas industry pays the highest salaries and state governments pay the lowest salaries for half of all geoscience-related occupations.

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	Maximum Salary and Industry		
Engineering Managers	\$148,620	Oil and Gas	
Natural Science Managers	\$172,950	Oil and Gas	
Petroleum Engineers	\$179,610	Finance and Insurance	
Mining and Geological Engineers	\$116,280	Oil and Gas	
Environmental Engineers	\$123,320	Oil and Gas	
Geoscientists	\$132,210	Oil and Gas	
Atmospheric and Space Scientists	\$112,700	Mgmt, Sci. and Tech. Consulting	
Hydrologists	\$82,900	Federal Government	
Geographers	\$84,360	Scientific R&D	
Environmental Scientists	\$95,680	Federal Government	
	Minimum Salary and Industry		
Engineering Managers	\$88,280	State Government	
Natural Science Managers	\$74,230	State Government	
Petroleum Engineers	\$79,200	State Government	
Mining and Geological Engineers	\$76,090	Nonmetallic Mineral Mining	
Environmental Engineers	\$59,570	Information	
Geoscientists	\$62,880	State Government	
Atmospheric and Space Scientists	\$81,470	Information	
Hydrologists	\$66,320	State Government	
Geographers	\$53,780	Colleges and Universities	
Environmental Scientists	\$56,030	Colleges and Universities	

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