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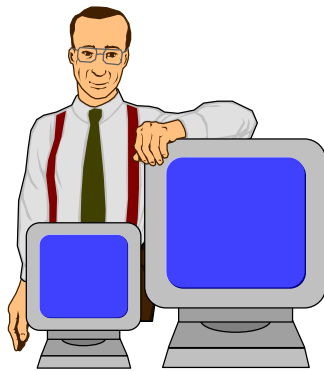
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## **WAGES OF COLORADO LIBRARIANS & LIBRARY ASSISTANTS IN CONTEXT 1994**



If you are a professional librarian or a library assistant, you probably feel like your job is a combination of several other types of jobs, most of which are a lot better paid. Perhaps you are right. Consider the following data excerpted from the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment's February 1996 publication: **Occupational Wages in Colorado: Average Wages for Over 700 Occupations.**

In 1994, professional librarians in Colorado earned an average hourly wage of \$17.33, while library technicians and assistants averaged \$10.75 and \$9.20 per hour, respectively. The following tables provide context for these figures by ranking average hourly wages of librarians and library assistants with related occupations. Note: OES (Occupational Employment Statistics) codes are included to assist readers in other states in replicating these tables using data from their own state labor departments.



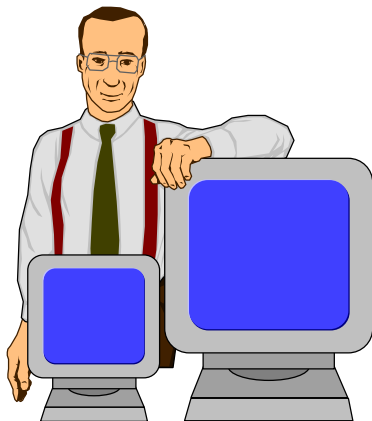
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**Table 1. Wages of Professional Librarians and Related Occupations in Colorado, 1994**

OES Code	Occupation Title	Average Hourly Wage
31226	Computer Science Teachers, Postsecondary	\$25.40
15005	Education Administrators	25.11
21905	Management Analysts	24.52
13002	Financial Managers	24.36
34058	Athletes, Coaches, Umpires, & Related Workers	22.09
13011	Marketing, Advertising, Public Relations Managers	21.87
25102	Systems Analysts, Electronic Data Processing	21.65
31210	Social Science Teachers, Postsecondary	21.30
13005	Personnel, Training, & Labor Relations Managers	21.21
21117	Budget Analysts	20.28
25103	Data Base Administrators	19.96
27105	Urban and Regional Planners	19.60
25302	Operations & Systems Researchers & Analysts	19.34
34056	Producers, Directors, Actors, & Other Entertainers	19.27
25105	Computer Programmers	18.90
31216	English & Foreign Language Teachers, Postsecondary	18.90
31308	Teachers, Secondary School	18.20
32314	Speech-Language Pathologists & Audiologists	18.12
34005	Technical Writers	17.87
21511	Personnel, Training, and Labor Relations Specialists	17.74
<b>31502</b>	<b>Librarians, Professional</b>	<b>17.33</b>
31305	Teachers, Elementary School	17.03
31511	Curators, Archivists, Museum Technicians, & Restorers	9.93

Source: **Occupational Wages in Colorado: Average Wages for Over 700 Occupations** (Denver: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, February 1996).



**Table 2. Wages of Library Assistants and Related Occupations in Colorado, 1994**

OES Code	Occupation Title	Average Hourly Wage
21999	Management Support Workers	\$17.28
25104	Computer Support Specialists	16.17
27305	Social Workers	14.54
55335	Customer Service Representatives	13.69
28305	Paralegal Personnel	13.49
25108	Computer Programmer Aides	13.27
53911	Proofreaders & Copy Markers	12.82
55317	Correspondence Clerks	12.39
49999	Sales & Related Workers	11.53
53705	Municipal Clerks	11.50
56011	Computer Operators	10.91
53508	Bill & Account Collectors	10.81
<b>31505</b>	<b>Technical Assistants, Library</b>	<b>10.75</b>
55341	Payroll & Timekeeping Clerks	10.15
55108	Secretaries (Except Legal & Medical)	10.12
58099	Material Recording, Scheduling, & Distributing Workers	9.58
92546	Bindery Machine Operators & Tenders	9.56
56002	Billing, Posting, & Calculating Machine Operators	9.26
<b>53902</b>	<b>Library Assistants &amp; Bookmobile Drivers</b>	<b>9.20</b>
56005	Duplicating Machine Operators	8.93
34044	Merchandise Displayers	7.70
53102	Bank Tellers	7.29
31521	Teachers Aides, Paraprofessional	6.90

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