

Protective Service Occupations

Fastest Growing Protective Service Occupations:

Occupations	Projected Job Growth Rate 2024-2034	Median Annual Wage
Forest fire inspectors and prevention specialists	15%	\$52,380
Lifeguards, ski patrol, and other recreational protective service workers	6%	33,720
Private detectives and investigators	6%	52,370
Animal control workers	4%	45,830
Crossing guards and flaggers	4%	37,700
Fire inspectors and investigators	4%	78,060

Most New Jobs Among Protective Service Occupations:

Occupations	Projected Job Growth 2024-2034	Median Annual Wage
Police and sheriff's patrol officers	22,000	\$76,290
Firefighters	11,800	59,530
Lifeguards, ski patrol, and other recreational protective service workers	8,700	33,720
Security Guards	5,100	38,370
First-line supervisors of Police and detectives	4,600	105,980
First-line supervisors of firefighting and prevention workers	3,400	92,430

Additional Protective Service Occupations:

Occupations	Typical Entry-Level Education	Median Annual Wage
Fish and game wardens	Bachelor's degree	\$68,180
Detectives and criminal investigators	High school diploma or equivalent	93,580
School bus monitors	High school diploma or equivalent	34,980
Correctional officers and jailers	High school diploma or equivalent	57,970
Transportation security screeners	High school diploma or equivalent	63,360
Parking enforcement workers	High school diploma or equivalent	47,150
Gambling surveillance officers and gambling investigators	High school diploma or equivalent	43,900
Transit and railroad police	High school diploma or equivalent	82,320
Bailiffs	High school diploma or equivalent	57,050

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment Projections program.