



Accountants and auditors

Examine, analyze, and interpret accounting records to prepare financial statements, give advice, or audit and evaluate statements prepared by others. Install or advise on systems of recording costs or other financial and budgetary data.

Cognitive and mental requirements

The qualifications that workers need to use judgment, make decisions, interact with others, and adapt to changes in jobs.

In 2021, more than basic people skills were required for 95.6 percent of accountants and auditors, and basic people skills were required for 4.4 percent.

Table 1. Percentage of accountants and auditors with cognitive and mental requirements, 2021

Requirement	Yes	No
Interaction with general public	72.4	27.6
Working around crowds	-	100.0
Telework	42.4	57.6
Work review: Supervising others	15.8	84.2
Work review: Presence of supervisor	74.5	25.5

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey

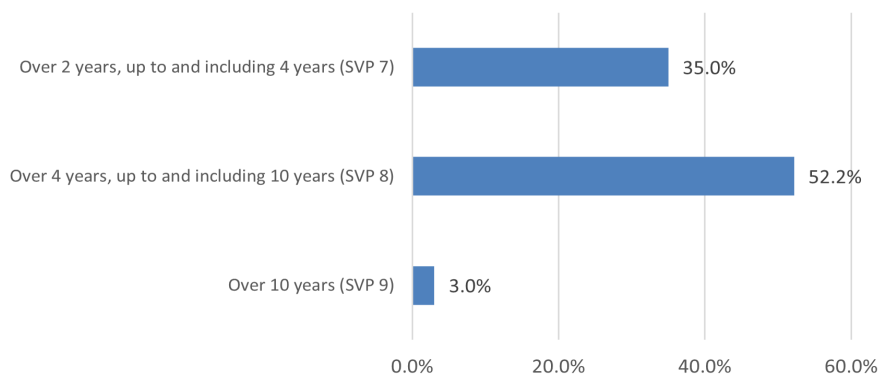
Education, training, and experience requirements

The minimum level of formal education required, credentials necessary, on-the-job training, and prior work experience necessary for average performance in jobs.

In 2021, credentials were required for 30.8 percent of accountants and auditors. Prior work experience was required for 72.8 percent, and on-the-job training was required for 67.4 percent.

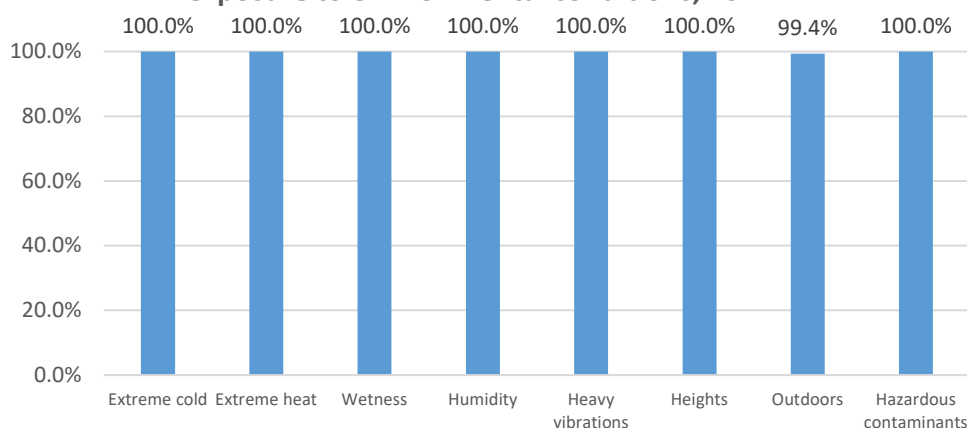
A bachelor's degree was required for 92.1 percent of accountants and auditors.

Chart 1. Percentage of accountants and auditors by specific preparation time (SVP) level, 2021



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey

Chart 2. Percentage of accountants and auditors without exposure to environmental conditions, 2021



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey

Environmental conditions

The various tangible or concrete hazards or difficulties that are in the vicinity of where jobs' critical tasks are performed.

In 2021, a quiet noise exposure was present for 30.5 percent of accountants and auditors, and 69.3 percent were exposed to moderate noise. Personal protective equipment (PPE) was not used by 100.0 percent of workers to mitigate noise exposure.

Physical demands

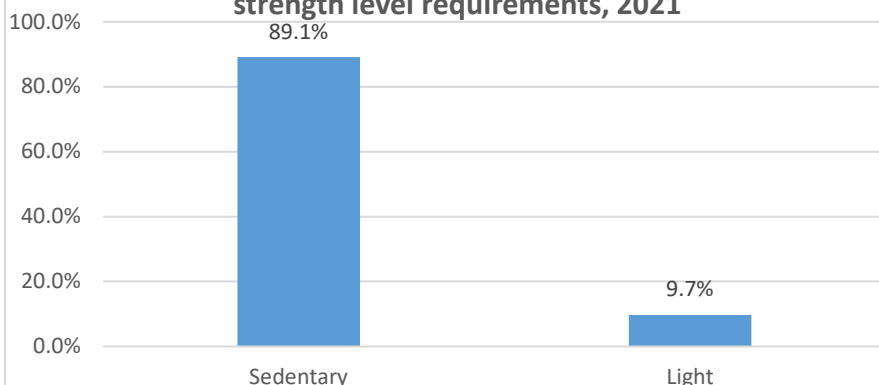
Refer to the physical activities required to perform tasks in jobs. The presence and, in some cases, duration of these activities are published.

In 2021, reaching at or below the shoulder was required for 46.2 percent of accountants and auditors and was not required for 53.8 percent.

Performing work in low postures was required for 13.5 percent of accountants and auditors and was not required for 86.5 percent.

On average, accountants and auditors spent 91.0 percent of the workday sitting and 9.0 percent of the workday standing.

Chart 3. Percentage of accountants and auditors by strength level requirements, 2021



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey

Table 2. Percentage of accountants and auditors with physical demands, 2021

Requirement	Yes	No
Driving	13.9	86.1
Climbing structure-related ramps or stairs	6.8	93.2

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey