

Protective Service Occupations

Fastest Growing Protective Service Occupations:

Occupations	Projected Job Growth Rate 2018-2028	Median Annual Wage
Forest fire inspectors and prevention specialists	24%	\$45,270
Private detectives and investigators	8%	50,510
Lifeguards, ski patrol, and other recreational protective service workers	7%	23,420
Animal control workers	6%	37,590
Crossing guards	6%	29,760
Fire inspectors and investigators	6%	61,660

Most New Jobs Among Protective Service Occupations:

Occupations	Projected Job Growth 2018-2028	Median Annual Wage
Security guards	40,200	\$29,680
Police and sheriff's patrol officers	34,500	63,150
Firefighters	17,600	50,850
Lifeguards, ski patrol, and other recreational protective service workers	10,700	23,420
Protective service workers, all other	6,100	30,990
First-line supervisors of police and detectives	5,800	91,090

Additional Protective Service Occupations:

Occupations	Typical Entry-Level Education	Median Annual Wage
Fish and game wardens	Bachelor's degree	\$57,500
Detectives and criminal investigators	High school diploma or equivalent	83,170
First-line supervisors of fire fighting and prevention workers	Postsecondary nondegree award	77,800
First-line supervisors of protective service workers, all other	High school diploma or equivalent	50,490
Transportation security screeners	High school diploma or equivalent	41,770
Parking enforcement workers	High school diploma or equivalent	40,920
Gaming surveillance officers and gaming investigators	High school diploma or equivalent	34,190
Transit and railroad police	High school diploma or equivalent	71,820
Bailiffs	High school diploma or equivalent	47,830

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2018-19 Edition.