

FIGURE 1: AVERAGE SALARIES BY DISCIPLINE / BACHELOR'S DEGREES

BROAD CATEGORY	2024 SALARY PROJECTION	2023 SALARY PROJECTION	% CHANGE
Engineering	\$76,736	\$74,405	3.1%
Computer Sciences	\$74,778	\$72,843	2.7%
Math and Sciences	\$71,076	\$67,199	5.8%
Social Sciences	\$69,802	\$60,107	16.1%
Humanities	\$68,227	\$52,938	28.9%
Business	\$63,907	\$62,069	3.0%
Communications	\$62,205	\$58,097	7.1%
Agriculture and Natural Resources	\$61,399	\$59,282	3.6%

1. Which 3 majors have the highest salary projections?

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2. Which major had the biggest increase in projected salary between 2023 and 2024?

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3. What is the difference between the highest projected salary and lowest projected salary shown?

DOK 2

4. Your friend Andrea says “Employers value “hard” sciences (like engineering, computer sciences, and math and sciences) more than they value “soft” sciences (like social sciences, humanities, and communications)”. Based on this graph, do you agree or disagree? Support your reasoning with evidence.

DOK 3

5. What do you think would happen to the graph if the world was suddenly facing a severe food shortage? Choose at least two majors, explain how their average annual salary would change, and explain why.

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