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## Introduction

We wish to express our thanks to all the employers who supplied the necessary occupational employment and wage data by responding to the Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) program survey. This OES program is a federal/state cooperative effort between the Maine Department of Labor's Division of Labor Market Information Services, and the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, to determine, by industry and occupation, employment and wage levels in the state as well as the nation. This type of information has many uses, both public and private. Employers use this data to compare their staffing to their industry. Vocational advisors in high schools, trade and vocational schools, universities, and government employment offices use this data to help place current job seekers and to advise those of the future. This data helps determine what skills would be needed to attract a new firm or industry into an area. The information also gives insight into what jobs might be lost should an industry experience massive reductions in employment. Also, this data forms the basis of the state's occupational employment projections program. The output of this program helps job training specialists and planners from economic development agencies to plan for the future.

Each year approximately one-third of the State's industries are surveyed. Thus the entire economy will be covered every three years. Using this cycle, employers are asked to provide occupational data only once every three years. This ensures that no part of the data base is over three years old, and that significant changes in the staffing patterns of industries can be identified early, as the trend develops.

Only data which meet the following criteria are published in the accompanying tables: an occupational employment estimate must be ten or greater and have a relative error less than 51 percent or 36 percent depending if the industry's response rate was 70 percent or greater, or between 60 and 70 percent, respectively. Data was screened to ensure that the identity of sample firms may not be derived from the published data. Data for occupations that do not meet publication or confidentiality criteria are combined with the appropriate "all other" category.

The industry classification used in the OES program and in this publication are defined in the 1987 edition of the *Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual*, prepared by the Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget, Statistical Policy Division.

The wage data collected through the OES program is collected by wage **ranges** rather than by actual wages. However, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics determined that the mean, median, 25th percentile and 75th percentile could be accurately calculated from this data. For this publication, only the mean, or average, and median wage have been included. It should be noted that to produce this average hourly wage, it was assumed that full-time employees worked a 40-hour week. Also, it was requested during wage collection, that hourly, rather than annual, wages be reported for all part-time workers.

For further information regarding this report, or the OES program methodology, please call Wendy Nelson, Occupational Employment Statistics Program Manager, at (207)287-2271.

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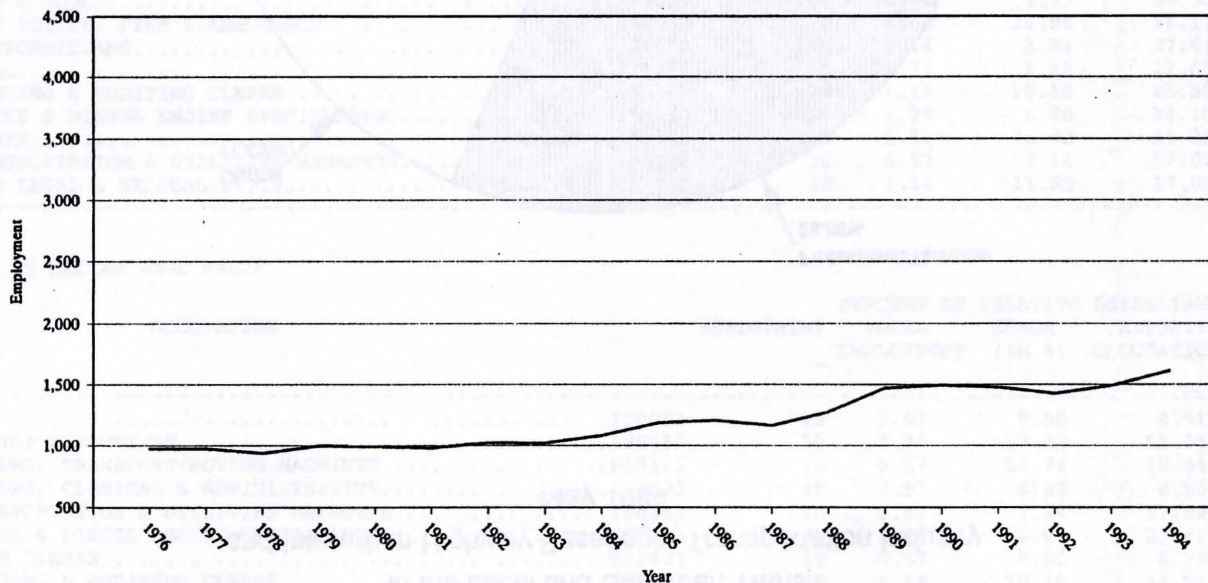
This major industry group includes establishments primarily engaged in furnishing local and suburban passenger transportation, such as those providing passenger transportation within a single municipality, contiguous municipalities, or a municipality and its suburban areas by bus, rail, or subway, either separately or in combination. Also included are establishments engaged in furnishing transportation to local scenic features.

The annual average wage and salary employment in this industry has grown from 940 workers in 1978 to a high of 1,610 workers in 1994. This is an overall growth of 71.3 percent, or an average annual growth of 4.5 percent. In 1994, employment in local and

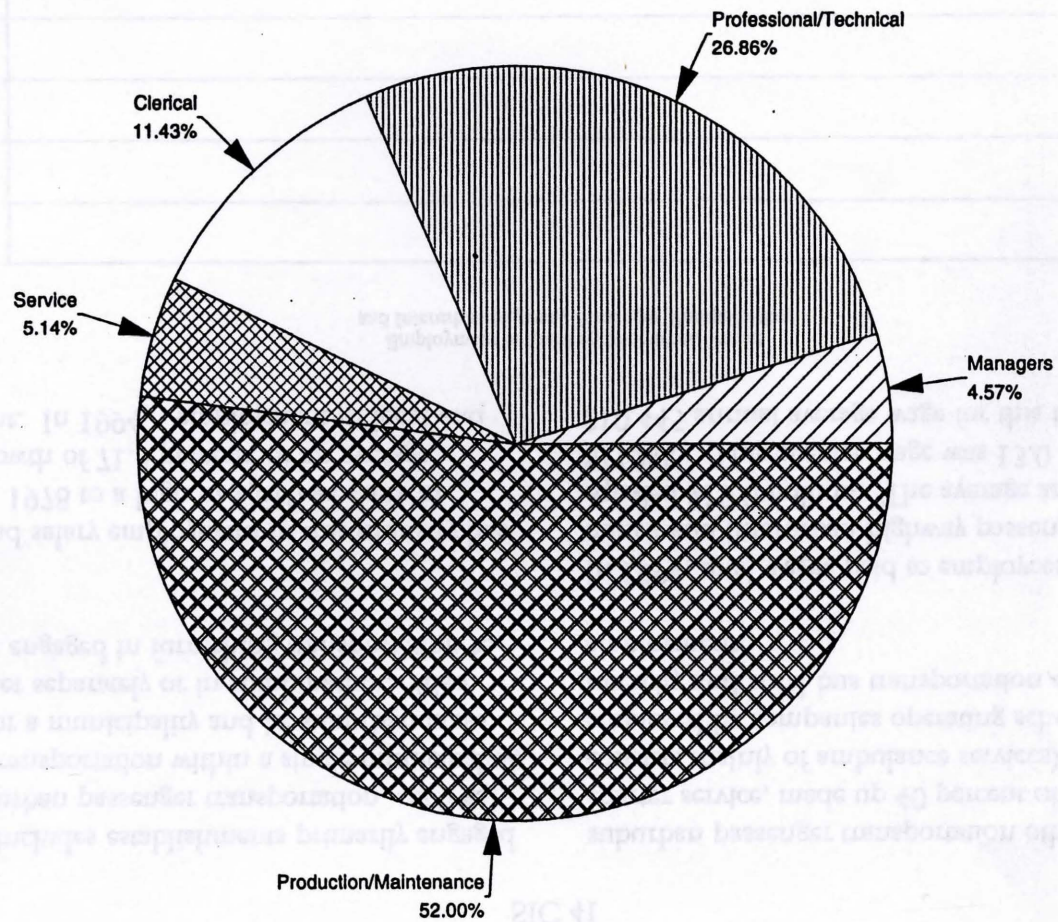
suburban passenger transportation other than taxicab, school bus, or charter service, made up 40 percent of this industry (this category consists mainly of ambulance services). Another 29 percent were employed by companies operating school buses. Taxicabs, and intercity and rural bus transportation each made up 12 percent of the employment.

In 1994, total wages paid to employees in the local and suburban transit and interurban highway passenger transportation industry equaled \$19.0 million. The average annual wage per worker was \$11,806. This average wage was 13.0 percent higher than the \$10,445 annual average wage for this industry's workers in 1991.

Employment in Local and Suburban Transit  
and Interurban Highway Passenger Transportation



Employment Distribution by Major Occupational Categories  
in the Local and Suburban Transit  
and Interurban Highway Passenger Transportation Industry  
May 1994



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 BENCHMARK EMPLOYMENT: 1,740 TOTAL NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 47  
 REFERENCE DATE : May 12, 1994

TOP 9 OCCUPATIONS BY ESTIMATED EMPLOYMENT

OCCUPATION	EMPLOYMENT	PERCENT OF TOTAL EMPLOYMENT	RELATIVE ERROR (IN %)	ESTABLISHMENTS REPORTING OCCUPATION (%)	MEAN HOURLY WAGE	MEDIAN HOURLY WAGE
EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS.....325083	440	25.14	3.24	27.66	\$ 7.80	\$ 7.60
BUS DRIVERS, SCHOOL.....971113	380	21.71	1.31	27.66	7.50	7.50
BUS DRIVERS, EXCEPT SCHOOL.....971083	260	14.86	1.35	38.30	8.50	8.20
TAXI DRIVERS & CHAUFFEURS.....971143	140	8.00	18.53	10.64	5.00	4.80
DISPATCHERS, EXCEPT POLICE, FIRE & AMBULANCE.....580053	70	4.00	10.06	36.17	8.50	8.90
AMBULANCE DRIVERS & ATTENDANTS.....660233	60	3.43	13.54	8.51	5.70	5.70
GENERAL MANAGERS & TOP EXECUTIVES.....190053	50	2.86	17.42	51.06	18.80	15.70
BUS & TRUCK MECHANICS & DIESEL ENGINE SPECIALISTS.....853113	40	2.29	0.00	23.40	10.40	10.40
GENERAL OFFICE CLERKS.....553473	30	1.71	26.42	21.28	7.10	6.50

TOP 10 OCCUPATIONS BY FIRMS REPORTING

OCCUPATION	EMPLOYMENT	PERCENT OF TOTAL EMPLOYMENT	RELATIVE ERROR (IN %)	ESTABLISHMENTS REPORTING OCCUPATION (%)	MEAN HOURLY WAGE	MEDIAN HOURLY WAGE
GENERAL MANAGERS & TOP EXECUTIVES.....190053	50	2.86	17.42	51.06	\$18.80	\$15.70
BUS DRIVERS, EXCEPT SCHOOL.....971083	260	14.86	1.35	38.30	8.50	8.20
DISPATCHERS, EXCEPT POLICE, FIRE & AMBULANCE.....580053	70	4.00	10.06	36.17	8.50	8.90
EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS.....325083	440	25.14	3.24	27.66	7.80	7.60
BUS DRIVERS, SCHOOL.....971113	380	21.71	1.31	27.66	7.50	7.50
BOOKKEEPING, ACCOUNTING & AUDITING CLERKS.....553383	20	1.14	10.19	25.53	9.60	9.80
BUS & TRUCK MECHANICS & DIESEL ENGINE SPECIALISTS.....853113	40	2.29	0.00	23.40	10.40	10.40
GENERAL OFFICE CLERKS.....553473	30	1.71	26.42	21.28	7.10	6.50
COMMUNICATIONS/TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES MANAGERS.....150233	10	0.57	7.14	17.02	12.10	12.00
SECRETARIES, EXCEPT LEGAL & MEDICAL.....551083	20	1.14	11.55	17.02	7.70	7.60

TOP 10 OCCUPATIONS BY MEDIAN WAGE VALUE

OCCUPATION	EMPLOYMENT	PERCENT OF TOTAL EMPLOYMENT	RELATIVE ERROR (IN %)	ESTABLISHMENTS REPORTING OCCUPATION (%)	MEAN HOURLY WAGE	MEDIAN HOURLY WAGE
FINANCIAL MANAGERS.....130023	10	0.57	0.00	8.51	\$18.80	\$17.00
GENERAL MANAGERS & TOP EXECUTIVES.....190053	50	2.86	17.42	51.06	18.80	15.70
FIRST LINE SUPERVISORS, TRANSPORT/MOVING MACHINES.....810113	10	0.57	24.74	10.64	13.70	14.00
FIRST LINE SUPERVISORS, CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE.....510023	10	0.57	0.00	8.51	12.90	13.50
COMMUNICATIONS/TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES MANAGERS.....150233	10	0.57	7.14	17.02	12.10	12.00
BUS & TRUCK MECHANICS & DIESEL ENGINE SPECIALISTS.....853113	40	2.29	0.00	23.40	10.40	10.40
BILLING, COST & RATE CLERKS.....553443	10	0.57	0.00	6.38	9.70	9.90
BOOKKEEPING, ACCOUNTING & AUDITING CLERKS.....553383	20	1.14	10.19	25.53	9.60	9.80
DISPATCHERS, POLICE, FIRE & AMBULANCE.....580023	20	1.14	0.00	6.38	10.00	9.80
DISPATCHERS, EXCEPT POLICE, FIRE & AMBULANCE.....580053	70	4.00	10.06	36.17	8.50	8.90

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REFERENCE DATE : May 12, 1994

OCCUPATION	EMPLOYMENT	PERCENT OF TOTAL EMPLOYMENT	RELATIVE ERROR (IN %)	ESTABLISHMENTS REPORTING OCCUPATION (%)	MEAN HOURLY WAGE	MEDIAN HOURLY WAGE
TOTAL.....	000000	1,750	100.00	N.A.	N.A.	\$ 8.20 \$ 7.70
MANAGERIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE.....	100003	80	4.57	N.A.	N.A.	17.10 14.70
FINANCIAL MANAGERS.....	130023	10	0.57	0.00	8.51	18.80 17.00
OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGERS.....	130993	10	0.57	N.A.	N.A.	14.20 13.50
COMMUNICATIONS/TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES MANAGERS.....	150233	10	0.57	7.14	17.02	12.10 12.00
GENERAL MANAGERS & TOP EXECUTIVES.....	190053	50	2.86	17.42	51.06	18.80 15.70
PROFESSIONAL/PARAPROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL OCCUPATIONS.....	200003	470	26.86	N.A.	N.A.	8.20 7.80
HEALTH PRACTITIONERS, TECHNICIANS & TECHNOLOGISTS.....	320003	470	26.86	N.A.	N.A.	8.20 7.80
EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS.....	325083	440	25.14	3.24	27.66	7.80 7.60
OTHER HEALTH PROFESSIONALS, PARAPROFESSIONALS/TECHNICIANS.....	329993	30	1.71	N.A.	N.A.	13.40 12.00
CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.....	500003	200	11.43	N.A.	N.A.	8.50 8.30
FIRST LINE SUPERVISORS, CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE.....	510023	10	0.57	0.00	8.51	12.90 13.50
RESERVATION & TRANSPORTATION TICKET AGENTS.....	538053	10	0.57	0.00	6.38	7.00 6.30
SECRETARIES, EXCEPT LEGAL & MEDICAL.....	551083	20	1.14	11.55	17.02	7.70 7.60
BOOKKEEPING, ACCOUNTING & AUDITING CLERKS.....	553383	20	1.14	10.19	25.53	9.60 9.80
BILLING, COST & RATE CLERKS.....	553443	10	0.57	0.00	6.38	9.70 9.90
GENERAL OFFICE CLERKS.....	553473	30	1.71	26.42	21.28	7.10 6.50
MATERIAL RECORDING/SCHEDULING/ DISPATCHING/DISTRIBUTING.....	580003	90	5.14	N.A.	N.A.	8.80 9.10
DISPATCHERS, POLICE, FIRE & AMBULANCE.....	580023	20	1.14	0.00	6.38	10.00 9.80
DISPATCHERS, EXCEPT POLICE, FIRE & AMBULANCE.....	580053	70	4.00	10.06	36.17	8.50 8.90
ALL OTHER CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.....	599993	10	0.57	N.A.	N.A.	8.30 8.10
SERVICE OCCUPATIONS.....	600003	90	5.14	N.A.	N.A.	6.40 5.90
FOOD, BEVERAGE PREPARATION & SERVICE WORKERS.....	650003	10	0.57	N.A.	N.A.	6.00 5.90
HEALTH SERVICE & RELATED.....	660003	60	3.43	N.A.	N.A.	5.70 5.70
AMBULANCE DRIVERS & ATTENDANTS.....	660233	60	3.43	13.54	8.51	5.70 5.70
OTHER PERSONAL SERVICE.....	680993	10	0.57	N.A.	N.A.	7.80 7.80
ALL OTHER SERVICE WORKERS.....	699993	10	0.57	N.A.	N.A.	9.70 9.80
PRODUCT/CONSTRUCT/OPERATE MAINTENANCE/MATERIAL HANDLING.....	800003	910	52.00	N.A.	N.A.	7.60 7.50
FIRST LINE SUPERVISORS-PRODUCT/ CONSTRUCT/MAINTENANCE/RELATED.....	810003	10	0.57	N.A.	N.A.	13.70 14.00
FIRST LINE SUPERVISORS, TRANSPORT/MOVING MACHINES.....	810113	10	0.57	24.74	10.64	13.70 14.00
MECHANICS, INSTALLERS & REPAIRERS.....	850003	60	3.43	N.A.	N.A.	9.80 10.00

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AUTOMOTIVE MECHANICS.....853023	20	1.14	20.62	12.77	\$ 8.70	\$ 8.80
BUS & TRUCK MECHANICS & DIESEL ENGINE SPECIALISTS.....853113	40	2.29	0.00	23.40	10.40	10.40
MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATORS.....971003	820	46.86	N.A.	N.A.	7.40	7.40
BUS DRIVERS, EXCEPT SCHOOL.....971083	260	14.86	1.35	38.30	8.50	8.20
BUS DRIVERS, SCHOOL.....971113	380	21.71	1.31	27.66	7.50	7.50
TAXI DRIVERS & CHAUFFEURS.....971143	140	8.00	18.53	10.64	5.00	4.80
OTHER MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATORS.....971993	40	2.29	N.A.	N.A.	7.80	7.80
HELPERS, LABORERS & MATERIAL MOVERS, HAND.....980003	10	0.57	N.A.	N.A.	7.40	7.40
VEHICLE WASHERS & EQUIPMENT CLEANERS.....989053	10	0.57	0.00	6.38	7.40	7.40
OTHER PRODUCT/CONSTRUCT/ MAINTENANCE/MATERIAL HANDLING.....999993	10	0.57	N.A.	N.A.	9.90	8.40

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