

C001

ACCOUNTANT

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$108,260

Job Description

Accountants work with people to help them fill out their tax forms. Though some people can do their taxes without help, many people who hire accountants say they're "worth the money" because they can often help clients save more money than they charge, as well as tons of time and stress. In fact, accountants love having the challenge of figuring out how to help their clients play by the tax rules while paying as little money as possible—it's basically like a giant puzzle.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse has been laid off and is unable to find employment. You have two children, a boy and a girl, who are both in elementary school. *You incur no additional expenses.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3	Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0
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My Annual Salary: \$108,260	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$108,260	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$9,021.67	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$9,021.67	

Monthly Salary: \$9,021.67

C002

TAX EXAMINER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$49,360

Job Description

Tax examiners help us to avoid both situations by looking closely at every tax return filed each year, checking for mistakes and questionable information, and making sure forms are filled out correctly. They also call taxpayers to double-check if they see that something's amiss. And since people say "nothing is certain other than death and taxes," it's a given that tax examiners enjoy excellent job security as government employees.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse recently passed away and you have to raise your two daughters, one who is in school and one who is only 2, on a single salary. *You must purchase childcare for your youngest child (\$540/month).*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 2	Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$540
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My Annual Salary: \$49,360	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$49,360	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$4,113.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$3,573.33	

Monthly Salary: \$3,573.33

C003

CAMERA OPERATOR

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$36,076

Job Description

Camera operators are managed by directors and must be comfortable working in a fast-paced environment that might include lots of big, theatrical personalities. One of the most exciting things about this job is its flexibility and variety—sporting events, news broadcasts, feature films, documentaries, and prime-time dramas are just a few examples of things you could shoot. The hours can be long and tiring (protip: comfortable shoes are a must), but many "cam ops" work as independent contractors, giving them the freedom to choose their own projects and set their own schedules.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 1

Family Description

You are the only person in your family and *incur no additional expenses.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 1	Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0
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My Annual Salary: \$36,076	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$36,076	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$3,006.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$3,006.33	

Monthly Salary: \$3,006.33

C004

AUTHOR/WRITER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$55,420

Job Description

Writers have to come up with new and interesting ideas that'll interest their audience. Sometimes they must conduct interviews with strangers, or do research in faraway places, to understand their topics. Other times, they must think deeply about what it would be like to be a particular character—often someone who's totally different from his or her creator. Then they have to stay focused on their project long enough to write hundreds, thousands, or even hundreds of thousands of words on that subject—and to convince editors and book publishers to pay them for their work, of course.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 6

Family Description

You are a co-provider for your family as your spouse works part-time. You and your spouse have four children. Your spouse watches the two youngest half of the week, *but you must purchase childcare for both for the remainder of the week (\$540/month).*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 4	Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$540
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My Annual Salary: \$55,420	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$10,400
Household's Annual Salary: \$65,820	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$5,485	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$4,945	

Monthly Salary: \$4,945

C005

PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$57,550

Job Description

Every day, technology companies unveil new innovations, chefs open new hotspots, and charities raise money for great causes. Each of these needs help to spread the word—for this, they hire a public relations (PR) manager. PR managers keep the public informed about their clients by arranging press interviews, drafting speeches, hosting events, and staying on top of their clients' social media presence. If you've got a better-than-average grasp on the English language, a quick wit, a hard-working personality, and a desire to help others succeed, you too could be a great PR pro.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. You and your spouse have a one year old son, which your spouse stays home with to take care of so that *you incur no additional expenses*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **2** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **\$0**

My Annual Salary: \$57,550	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$57,550	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$4,795.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$4,795.83	

Monthly Salary: **\$4,795.83**

C006

AEROSPACE/AERONAUTICAL ENGINEER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$97,480

Job Description

Working for NASA, the military, or an aircraft company like Boeing, your time will be spent designing super-cool flying objects like aircraft, spacecraft, missiles, and satellites. You'll also work on testing prototypes before they're released to make sure they work safely and efficiently, and troubleshooting products that malfunction. Depending on what your job requires, you may work in an office or on a busy manufacturing floor, but you'll probably never be bored.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You and your spouse are divorced. Your former spouse has custody of your two children who come to visit you on the weekends. *You must pay \$2,030 in monthly child support and keep a dwelling with two extra bedrooms – one for each of your children.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **2** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **-\$2,030**

My Annual Salary: \$97,480	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$97,480	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$8,123.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,093.33	

Monthly Salary: **\$6,093.33**

C007

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$108,040

Job Description

Working from radar towers, air traffic controllers give takeoff and landing instructions to pilots and direct their flight paths to avoid obstacles like bad weather, air congestion, and, of course, other aircraft. It's probably one of the few positions where you can say that you are actively engaged in preventing disaster and chaos. This is a job for a multi-tasker with a sharp memory, excellent communication skills, and the ability to stay calm in a stressful setting.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 2

Family Description

You are a co-provider for your family as your spouse works part-time. Your spouse is also attending the local community college. Tuition, books, and transportation *deduct an additional \$600 from your monthly earnings*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **2** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **-\$600**

My Annual Salary: \$108,040	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$7,200
Household's Annual Salary: \$115,240	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$9,603.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$9,003.33	

Monthly Salary: **\$9,003.33**

C008

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$78,740

Job Description

In this job, you've basically got the environment's back—you'll design projects that help keep the Earth safe (such as controlling air and water pollution), inspect industrial factories to make sure they're keeping it green, and advise government agencies when it comes to cleaning up accidents. You're also a bit of a scientist in this job, as knowledge of geology, biology, and chemistry will help you keep the environment—and humans—safe and sound.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 2

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse is pursuing a bachelor's degree from a state university and attends class full-time. Tuition, books, and transportation *deduct an additional \$850 from your monthly earnings*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **1** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **-\$850**

My Annual Salary: \$78,740	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$78,740	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$6,561.67	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$5,711.67	

Monthly Salary: **\$5,711.67**

C009

ASTRONOMER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$105,430

Job Description

People have always been curious about what lies beyond the stars (especially since the telescope was invented in 1608), and astronomers are the ones who go looking for that incredible something. Working in labs, observatories or universities, they study the paths of planets and stars using telescopes, equations, and computers, then write about the results for the public. If you're curious about this exciting career, you can look for star-gazing parties, planetariums, or public observatories in your city or town.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. You and your spouse have a one year old son, which your spouse stays home with to take care of so that *you incur no additional expenses*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 2 Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0

My Annual Salary: \$105,430	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$105,430	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$8,785.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$8,785.83	

Monthly Salary: \$8,785.83

C010

ART DIRECTOR

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$80,630

Job Description

As an art director at a publication, you may oversee the work of photographers and illustrators who are working with writers to tell stories. If you're working on-screen, you may spend your days scouring vintage shops to furnish a '60s spy-film set, or building the inside of a rocket ship for a sci-fi movie. And if you make it to the top at an advertising agency, you'll work with a team of other artists to create inspiring ads and commercials. Sounds fun, right?

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are a co-provider for your family as your spouse works full-time at a local ad agency contributing an additional \$34,000 to your yearly salary. Since you both work full-time, *you must deduct \$540/month for childcare*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 2 Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$540

My Annual Salary: \$80,630	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$34,000
Household's Annual Salary: \$114,630	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$9,552.50	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$9,012.50	

Monthly Salary: \$9,012.50

C011

PHYSICIST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$105,430

Job Description

Physicists seek to look at the world around us and explain why things happen. From examining the tiniest particle of matter to theorizing about the infinite nature of the universe, physicists are like Sherlock Holmes (without the silly hat). Solving the mysteries of life, they may work in private research laboratories, universities, or for the government. And get this—physicists are doctors! Yep, you'll need to get a PhD, which is sure to make your mom happy. So don't just live in the world—work to understand it, and help others understand it, by becoming a physicist.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4

Family Description

You and your spouse are divorced. Your former spouse has custody of your three children who come to visit you on the weekends. *You must pay \$2,635 in monthly child support and keep a dwelling with three extra bedrooms – one for each child.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 4 Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$2,635

My Annual Salary: \$105,430	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$105,430	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$8785.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,150.83	

Monthly Salary: \$6,150.83

C012

AGRICULTURAL ENGINEER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$74,000

Job Description

When you're an agricultural engineer, the world is your backyard. Depending on your interests, your job description might include raising fish, planting trees, or working on a farm. You might be charged with conserving an endangered ecosystem, or developing an eco-friendly fuel source using farmed crops. Though you may spend some time indoors, creating plans and attending meetings, much of your time is spent outdoors in the field, studying and monitoring the natural environment.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. You and your spouse have divorced and you *receive an additional \$850 per month in child support for your two school age children.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3 Monthly Deductions/Additions: +\$850

My Annual Salary: \$74,000	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$74,000	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$6,166.67	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$7,016.67	

Monthly Salary: \$7,016.67

C013

AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD SCIENTIST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$58,450

Job Description

These scientists haven't quite figured out how to make it rain (yet), but they do a whole lot of other things to ensure that our crops (and the livestock who depend on them) grow up big and strong each year. To do so, they conduct research in cornfields and barns; test soil samples in the lab; invent cool new shapes, sizes and packages for your favorite snacks; and send their findings to other scientists, food producers, and people like you. So if you love spending time with animals, experimenting with science and food, and exploring the outdoors, this farm-to-table life could be the one for you.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 1**Family Description**

You are the sole provider for your family and *incur no additional expenses*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms:

1

Monthly Deductions/Additions:

\$0My Annual Salary: **\$58,450**Spouse's Annual Salary: **\$0**Household's Annual Salary: **\$58,450**Household's Monthly Salary: **\$4,870.83**Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: **\$4,870.83****Monthly Salary: \$4,870.83**

C014

MICROBIOLOGIST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$65,920

Job Description

Microbiologists, as the name suggests, are biologists who study microbes. They work in labs, conducting experiments to better understand these "little beasts," as they were once called by early scientists, and also work to present the findings from their experiments to non-scientists. Some of their experiments are designed to identify new and strange species collected from water, food and even human beings, while others are geared toward the development of new drugs. Who knows—maybe the cure for tomorrow's diseases will be found in the tiny world of microbes.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4**Family Description**

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse has been laid off and is unable to find employment. You have two children, a boy and a girl, who are both in elementary school. *You incur no additional expenses*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms:

3

Monthly Deductions/Additions:

\$0My Annual Salary: **\$65,920**Spouse's Annual Salary: **\$0**Household's Annual Salary: **\$65,920**Household's Monthly Salary: **\$5,493.33**Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: **\$5,493.33****Monthly Salary: \$5,493.33**

C015

BROADCAST TECHNICIAN

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$36,570

Job Description

Broadcast technicians ensure that the equipment used to send television and radio signals out into the world operates flawlessly. (Yep, they're kind of modern-day heroes.) They monitor the signals and use their skills to make the necessary adjustments so that TV pictures are clear and colorful, and radio sounds are at the right volume and richness. Getting into this field is relatively easy and quick, and your skills will always be in demand.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3**Family Description**

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse recently left and refuses to pay child support so now you have to raise your two daughters on a single salary. *You must deduct \$850 per month for childcare*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms:

2

Monthly Deductions/Additions:

-\$850My Annual Salary: **\$36,570**Spouse's Annual Salary: **\$0**Household's Annual Salary: **\$36,570**Household's Monthly Salary: **\$3,047.50**Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: **\$2,197.50****Monthly Salary: \$2,197.50**

C016

OPERATIONS RESEARCH ANALYST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$70,960

Job Description

A company is basically a machine where the parts are people. When a machine breaks down, you call someone to fix it. For a company, that person is an operations research analyst. These analysts collect all kinds of information about the company (its size, its earnings, how it works, what its competitors do, etc.), then use a variety of tools to analyze that data and give advice that would make the company stronger. As an analyst, you'll not only need to be good at math but comfortable with computers, since a lot of the tools you'll use will be software-based.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 1**Family Description**

You are the only person in your family and *incur no additional expenses*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms:

1

Monthly Deductions/Additions:

\$0My Annual Salary: **\$70,960**Spouse's Annual Salary: **\$0**Household's Annual Salary: **\$70,960**Household's Monthly Salary: **\$5,913.33**Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: **\$5,913.33****Monthly Salary: \$5,913.33**

C017

PRODUCER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$68,440

Job Description

While directors direct the action onstage, and actors are responsible for memorizing their lines, producers work hard to keep things running smoothly and on budget, from cast auditions to changes in the script. Producers may come across as bossy to some, but their leadership talents are highly valued in the film and TV industries, where making sure that film shoots start on time is just as important as realizing a director's artistic vision.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. You and your spouse have a one year old son, which your spouse stays home with to take care of so that *you incur no additional expenses*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 2	Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0
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My Annual Salary: \$68,440	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$68,440	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$5,703.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$5,703.33	

Monthly Salary: \$5,703.33

C018

FINANCIAL EXAMINER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$74,940

Job Description

Financial examiners monitor the financial wellbeing of banks and other money-based institutions. They review expenses, prepare reports, sit in on meetings, help leaders understand new laws and innovations that will affect their company's health, and recommend solutions to money-related problems when things go wrong. And, like physicians, they also train new "money doctors" in the art of keeping a company going strong.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 2

Family Description

You are a co-provider for your family as your spouse also works full-time. Your spouse is a cashier at a local chain store and contributes an additional \$19,200 to your yearly salary. *You incur no additional expenses*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 1	Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0
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My Annual Salary: \$74,940	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$19,200
Household's Annual Salary: \$94,140	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$7,845	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$7,845	

Monthly Salary: \$7,845

C019

BUDGET ANALYST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$68,200

Job Description

Budget analysts are expert organizers who sit down with project leaders to help lay out the plans for a big project. After that, they review different ideas and proposals for completing the project, explain the plans to other people in an organization, and suggest changes and solutions if the budget plan goes off-track. They also have to be fortune-tellers, figuring out what kinds of risks and opportunities lay in store for the project. Bottom line? Without budget analysts, it would be hard to get anything done!

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4

Family Description

You are a co-provider for your family, as your spouse also works full-time. Your spouse contributes an additional \$24,000 to your yearly salary. You have two school age sons. *You must deduct \$1050 per month for childcare for your two children*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 2	Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$1,050
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My Annual Salary: \$68,200	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$24,000
Household's Annual Salary: \$92,200	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$7,683.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,633.33	

Monthly Salary: \$6,633.33

C020

SCHOOL COUNSELOR

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$53,380

Job Description

Counselors are trained therapists who help kids through a whole bunch of issues—from being bullied, to struggling in class, to deciding what to do after graduation. As a counselor, you'll give students advice and help them create a plan for success throughout school and beyond.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse has been laid off and is unable to find employment. You have two children, a boy and a girl, who are both in elementary school. *You incur no additional expenses*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3	Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0
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My Annual Salary: \$53,380	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$53,380	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$4,448.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$4,448.33	

Monthly Salary: \$4,448.33

COMPUTER & INFORMATION RESEARCH SCIENTIST

C021

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$100,600

Job Description

In contrast to the hardware and software engineers who work with smaller, specific details like designing computer chips or writing code, a research scientist looks at the whole picture. They might be inventing new programming languages, developing new ways to use computers, designing methods to test software, or writing articles about what they've learned. The military, the federal government, and scientific research firms are just a few examples of employers who use computer research scientists to help them keep up with technology, even when it seems to be moving at light speed.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse recently passed away and You now have to raise your two daughters on a single income. **You must deduct \$1,050 per month for childcare for your children.**

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3 Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$1,050

My Annual Salary: \$100,600	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$100,600	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$8,383.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$7,333.33	

Monthly Salary: \$7,333.33

C022

INDUSTRIAL DESIGNER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$58,230

Job Description

Industrial designers combine a flair for art with a passion for technology to create stylish designs for all kinds of manufactured products, from food processors to pickup trucks. These designers know they're creating products that have to sell well, so they begin by researching the product and the customers' needs. Then they sketch out blueprints or use computers to develop models. Working with other designers and businesspeople, they figure out how much their product should cost, and how they might make it safer or more useful.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 5

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse home schools your three school age children, twin boys and a girl. Books and materials for your children's education cost you an additional \$250 per month.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 4 Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$250

My Annual Salary: \$58,230	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$58,230	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$4,852.50	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$4,602.50	

Monthly Salary: \$4,602.50

C023

INTERIOR DESIGNER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$46,280

Job Description

Interior designers make inside spaces functional, safe, and beautiful for offices, homes, and public places. They help clients sort through the overwhelming design decisions that need to be made when beautifying a room, from the flooring material all the way up to the ceiling lights. The toughest and most fun part of the job is taking a client's directions, which may be confusing if she's not an artsy type herself, and translating them into a vision she didn't even realize she had.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 2

Family Description

You and your spouse are divorced. Your spouse has custody of your two children who come to live with you on the weekends. **You must pay \$750 in monthly child support and keep a dwelling with an extra bedroom for your child.**

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 2 Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$750

My Annual Salary: \$46,280	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$46,280	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$3,856.67	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$3,106.67	

Monthly Salary: \$3,106.67

C024

PHARMACIST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$111,570

Job Description

Along with the obvious tasks like filling and dispensing prescriptions, pharmacists are responsible for checking patients' current medications and health conditions to be sure that any new medications won't cause a bad reaction. They also write up instructions about how medicines should be taken and work with insurance companies to help people get reimbursed. With this degree you won't necessarily be at a drugstore: Pharmacists are also needed to work in the military, at hospitals, in the pharmaceutical industry, and as educators at pharmacy schools.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 5

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse is pursuing a bachelor's degree from a state university and attends class full-time. **Deduct an additional \$850 for tuition, books, and transportation and \$1,100 for child care for your three children.**

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 4 Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$1,950

My Annual Salary: \$111,570	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$111,570	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$9,297.50	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$7,347.50	

Monthly Salary: \$7,347.50

C025

URBAN/REGIONAL PLANNER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$63,040

Job Description

Urban planners are responsible not only for developing new areas, but also reworking existing ones when problems like crime or desolation arise. They also weigh in on whether or not a proposed project makes sense. For example, if a developer wants to build a new mall, an urban planner would review the plans to help decide whether it'll be a good fit for the area or something that residents will be complaining about for decades. They rely on interviews with locals, environmental studies, traffic pattern information, and population data to try to make their best educated guesses.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4

Family Description

You are a co-provider for your family, as your spouse also works full-time. Your spouse contributes an additional \$24,000 to your yearly salary. You have two school age sons. *You must deduct \$1,050 per month for childcare for your two children.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3 Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$1,050

My Annual Salary: \$63,040	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$24,000
Household's Annual Salary: \$87,040	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$7,253.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,203.33	

Monthly Salary: \$6,203.33

C026

COMPUTER HARDWARE ENGINEER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$75,000

Job Description

Hardware engineers are responsible for designing, building, and testing the individual pieces that come together to make the computer work. Of course, "computer" doesn't just mean a laptop or PC. Today, their processors are used to power most electronics. If you've used a microwave, texted a friend, or flown on an airplane, you can thank a hardware engineer for making those things possible. If you decide on this career, your path will involve some challenging math and science courses. But the payoff comes from knowing that you're helping the world move faster and more efficiently.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse has been laid off and is unable to find employment. You have two children, a boy and a girl, who are both in elementary school. *You incur no additional expenses.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3 Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0

My Annual Salary: \$75,000	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$75,000	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$6,250	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,250	

Monthly Salary: \$6,250

C027

DENTAL HYGIENIST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$68,500

Job Description

Dental hygienists are usually the first person the patient sees when they visit the dentist, so they have to be very good at making people feel comfortable—in situations that are often not so comfortable. They then go about the work of doing teeth cleanings, taking X-rays, and assisting the dentist with other procedures.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse recently passed away and you now have to raise your two daughters on a single income. *You must deduct \$1,050 per month for childcare for your children.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3 Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$1,050

My Annual Salary: \$68,500	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$68,500	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$5,708.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$4,658.33	

Monthly Salary: \$4,658.33

C028

CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALIST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$64,690

Job Description

Some nurses treat only certain kinds of patients (such as infants or the elderly); others may become experts on certain kinds of diseases (such as diabetes or cancer). These extra-knowledgeable nurses, called clinical nurse specialists, have a lot of responsibility within their fields. Like doctors, they can give their patients medicines and treatments, set up plans for patient care, conduct tests and analyze the results, and teach patients and their families how to take care of illnesses or injuries after they head home from the hospital.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse has been laid off and is unable to find employment. You have two children, a boy and a girl, who are both in elementary school. *You incur no additional expenses.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3 Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0

My Annual Salary: \$64,690	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$64,690	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$5,390.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$5,390.83	

Monthly Salary: \$5,390.83

C029

WEBMASTER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$73,830

Job Description

Webmasters exercise almost total control over our online experience. They can choose the color of a home page, the kind of code that powers a website, or the servers that connect it to the internet. Webmasters can tell you how many people have visited an ad, can delete or respond to comments, and fix "bugs" that make it difficult to use a site. And as our culture continues to rely on websites to communicate, buy, and learn, this role will become even more powerful in the future. (Insert evil laugh here.)

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 1**Family Description**

You are the only person in your family and *incur no additional expenses*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 1	Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0
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My Annual Salary: \$73,830	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$73,830	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$6,152.50	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,152.50	

Monthly Salary: \$6,152.50

C030

COMPUTER SYSTEM ANALYST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$77,740

Job Description

These highly logical and organized individuals are able to examine a company's computer setup and simply know how to make it better, stronger, and faster. In this role, you'll consult with office managers, estimate costs of new equipment, make recommendations, and lead the IT team in setting up a brand-new computer system. It's a perfect career for those who love computers and aren't afraid to let their inner geek come out to play.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3**Family Description**

You are the sole provider for your family. You and your spouse have a one year old son, which your spouse stays home with to take care of so that *you incur no additional expenses*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 2	Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0
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My Annual Salary: \$77,740	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$77,740	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$6,478.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,478.33	

Monthly Salary: \$6,478.33

C031

HIGH SCHOOL MATH TEACHER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$53,230

Job Description

Okay, it's time to accept this fact—teachers are cool. It's true. Look, they've got a tough job. There's lesson planning, managing a bunch of rowdy students, tracking progress, prepping for standardized tests, and most importantly, trying to get you to learn stuff. Later in life, when you've got a good job, you'll look back and really appreciate that they cared. So if you've got a flair for mathematics, you could have the same kind of impact on other kids' lives by becoming a teacher. High school math teachers are in serious demand, and there's nothing cooler than using your brain to help others get smart.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4**Family Description**

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse has been laid off and is unable to find employment. You have two children, a boy and a girl, who are both in elementary school. *You incur no additional expenses*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3	Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0
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My Annual Salary: \$53,230	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$53,230	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$4,435.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$4,435.83	

Monthly Salary: \$4,435.83

C032

CHEMICAL ENGINEER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$90,300

Job Description

Chemical engineers are directly responsible for making sure that the various ways companies use chemicals are safe and effective. They design manufacturing equipment, develop safety standards for handling dangerous chemicals, and brainstorm ways to make the world better—like coming up with alternative fuels. Snag one of these jobs, and you could be well rewarded, especially if you go the extra mile and get a professional engineer license.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3**Family Description**

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse recently passed away and you now have to raise your two daughters on a single income. *You must deduct \$1,050 per month for childcare for your children*.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3	Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$1,050
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My Annual Salary: \$90,300	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$90,300	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$7,525	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,475	

Monthly Salary: \$6,475

C033

CIVIL ENGINEER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$77,560

Job Description

Civil engineers are responsible for designing and supervising the construction of huge projects—from bridges and roads to tunnels, dams, and even airports. You have to have some pretty well-rounded skills for this important job, since you'll also do things like estimate building costs, use high tech software to design your project, and even make presentations to the public with details of your proposed construction. Hey, it's easy to tear things down, but it requires real dedication to build things up. Do you have what it takes?

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 6

Family Description

You are a co-provider for your family, as your spouse also works full-time. Your spouse contributes an additional \$24,000 to your yearly salary. You have two school age sons and two young daughters. *You must deduct \$1,650 per month for childcare.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 4	Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$1,650
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My Annual Salary: \$77,560	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$24,000
Household's Annual Salary: \$101,560	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$8,463.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,813.33	

Monthly Salary: \$6,813.33

C034

MINING AND GEOLOGICAL ENGINEER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$82,870

Job Description

Mining and geological engineers work with groups like scientists, governments, and energy companies to design mines that can safely remove all kinds of things from underground. As one of these engineers, you're kind of a jack-of-all-trades—you could design the mine, lead the team who builds it, organize the transporting of the found materials to their final destination, then write reports on how well the mine operated. Not many people get to see what's hundreds of feet below our, uh, feet. But you could, if you decide to "dig in" to this career.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 1

Family Description

You are the only person in your family and *incur no additional expenses.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 1	Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0
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My Annual Salary: \$82,870	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$82,870	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$6,509.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,509.83	

Monthly Salary: \$6,509.83

C035

INDUSTRIAL ENGINEER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$76,100

Job Description

As an industrial engineer, you might work for a firm that manufactures things (such as electronic equipment or cars) or provides services (like banking or transportation). You'll help your company do its business faster, more efficiently, and for less money, whether it's getting a product off the assembly line or streamlining procedure in a hospital operating room. The job is challenging because it requires looking at small details, as well as the big picture: Production schedules, employee workflow, ways to manage people, and product quality control are just a few things you might juggle.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 2

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse is pursuing a bachelor's degree from a state university and attends class full-time. Tuition, books, and transportation *deduct an additional \$850 from your monthly earnings.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 1	Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$850
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My Annual Salary: \$76,100	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$76,100	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$6,341.67	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$5,491.67	

Monthly Salary: \$5,491.67

C036

ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$88,670

Job Description

Electrical engineers, quite literally, have the power. Or at least the ability to harness the power. They design new ways to use electricity, or redesign old ways to make them better. These engineers are essential in creating electrical systems for things like cars, airplanes, and even power plants. You need to have your "A" game for this job, because you'll be using math skills to make calculations, drafting skills to design diagrams, and leadership skills to supervise the construction of electrical components. This is a great career for the right kind of person—and hey, it's cool to know how to make stuff work.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. You and your spouse have a one year old son, which your spouse stays home with to take care of so that *you incur no additional expenses.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 2	Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0
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My Annual Salary: \$88,670	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$88,670	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$7,389.17	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$7,389.17	

Monthly Salary: \$7,389.17

C037

BIOCHEMIST/BIOPHYSICIST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$79,390

Job Description

These super-smart scientists are hard at work in laboratories around the country as we speak, studying cells and their DNA, developing new medicines, and sharing their findings with the larger scientific community. Biochemists and biophysicists usually get their start in university programs, which pay them to contribute to important research while they get their PhDs. The best and brightest among them may go on to give speeches at conferences, manage lab teams, teach in universities, and work on important projects that span different (and seriously exciting) areas of science.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You and your spouse are divorced. Your former spouse has custody of your two children who come to visit you on the weekends. *You must pay \$1,650 in monthly child support and keep a dwelling with two extra bedrooms – one for each child.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **3** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **-\$1,650**

My Annual Salary: \$79,390	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$79,390	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$6,615.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$4,965.83	

Monthly Salary: \$4,965.83

C038

ZOOLOGIST/WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$57,430

Job Description

Zoologists and wildlife biologists study animal species—learning everything there is to know about characteristics, behavior, and habitats. They may also get the chance to travel to exotic locales all around the globe to do fieldwork—some marine biologists even spend months at sea on research ships. During their quality facetime with the animals, the biologists conduct experimental studies and collect data, then analyze results and write reports about their findings. They also use their research to help the public understand and appreciate different wildlife species.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 2

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse is pursuing a bachelor's degree from a state university and attends class full-time. Tuition, books, and transportation deduct an additional \$850 from your monthly earnings.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **1** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **-\$850**

My Annual Salary: \$57,430	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$57,430	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$4,785.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$3,935.83	

Monthly Salary: \$3,985.83

C039

FILM AND VIDEO EDITOR

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$45,490

Job Description

Editing is all about taking the footage that was shot and piecing it together into something that will wildly entertain or educate an audience (maybe even both at the same time). Many big companies have video departments, which translates to lots of opportunities to get skilled using digital editing equipment and cool special effects software. You may need to start as an assistant—but one day you'll have your own assistant (who you'll get to thank when you win your first Oscar).

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. You and your spouse have a one year old son, which your spouse stays home with to take care of so that *you incur no additional expenses.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **2** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **\$0**

My Annual Salary: \$45,490	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$45,490	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$3,790.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$3,790.83	

Monthly Salary: \$3,790.83

C040

MECHANICAL ENGINEER TECH

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$50,110

Job Description

These hands-on helpers assist mechanical engineers as they design, develop, test, and manufacture industrial machinery and consumer products (like tools). As a tech, you'll handle lots of small details such as making sketches, putting parts together, testing prototypes or products once they're assembled, and taking notes to monitor speed and efficiency. In this role you might work at a research and development plant, where engineers work in teams to create new products; at a fabrication plant that produces devices like circuits; or at a manufacturing company.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. You and your spouse have divorced and you *receive an additional \$850 per month in child support for your two school age children.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **3** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **+\$850**

My Annual Salary: \$50,110	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$50,110	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$4,175.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$5,025.83	

Monthly Salary: \$5,025.83

C041

POSTSECONDARY TEACHER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$62,050

Job Description

A postsecondary teacher works with students who have graduated from high school. Though many work in universities (and are called "professors"), others teach part-time or full-time in culinary schools or vocational training programs. To teach at a four-year university, you'll be required to complete a PhD in your subject and teach classes as a (paid) graduate assistant; to teach in other places, such as a two-year community college, you may simply need to have a high level of expertise. Business leaders, magazine editors, and celebrity chefs are also often recruited to teach postsecondary courses at top schools.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 5

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse home schools your three school age children, twin boys and a girl. *Books and materials for your children's education cost you an additional \$350 per month.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **3** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **-\$350**

My Annual Salary: \$62,050	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$62,050	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$5,170.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$4,820.83	

Monthly Salary: **\$4,820.83**

C042

VIDEO GAME DESIGNER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$71,000

Job Description

Drawing on their experience with playing games and talking to other gamers, these designers create the inspiring stories, visuals, and puzzles for the games we play. Of course, they also use many of the skills that are built during school. For example, designers have to be well-organized in order to roll out new products on schedule. They have to present their ideas verbally and visually to a roomful of artists, animators, and programmers. And they must be good self-editors, using criticism from teammates to improve their designs.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You and your spouse are divorced. Your former spouse has custody of your two children who come to visit you on the weekends. *You must pay \$1,480 in monthly child support and keep a dwelling with two extra bedrooms – one for each of your children.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **3** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **-\$1,480**

My Annual Salary: \$71,000	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$71,000	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$5,916.67	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$4,436.67	

Monthly Salary: **\$4,436.67**

C043

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$51,380

Job Description

Elementary school is a crucial period for children because it's the time when they should be building skills in core subjects like reading and math and learning to love school. Along with classroom work, elementary teachers handle many other duties like planning lessons, grading papers, assessing students for learning delays, and communicating with parents. Because of the commitment and enthusiasm needed to excel in this field, you should be absolutely sure that you love working with children before jumping in. After all, the only thing more memorable than a good teacher is a bad one.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 5

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse is pursuing a bachelor's degree from a state university and attends class full-time on scholarship. *Deduct \$1,100 for child care for your three children.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **4** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **-\$1,100**

My Annual Salary: \$51,380	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$51,380	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$4,281.67	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$3,181.67	

Monthly Salary: **\$3,181.67**

C044

PHYSICIAN

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$202,392

Job Description

You've probably got a pretty good idea of what doctors do on a daily basis: examine patients, prescribe medications, order and interpret tests, propose treatment, and, in some cases, perform surgical procedures. A physician's job is respected, rewarding, and can pay very well, but requires hard work, dedication, and many years of school. The term "physician" refers to someone who holds either a Doctor of Medicine (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathy (DO) degree. To practice medicine, you'll need pre-med courses in college, four years of medical school, and a grueling combination of internships, residencies, and fellowships.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse is pursuing a bachelor's degree from a state university and attends class full-time. *Deduct an additional \$850 for tuition, books, and transportation and \$1,100 for child care for your two children.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: **3** Monthly Deductions/Additions: **-\$1,950**

My Annual Salary: \$202,392	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$202,392	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$16,866	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$14,916	

Monthly Salary: **\$14,916**

C045

CARTOGRAPHER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$54,510

Job Description

When was the last time you traveled anywhere new without scoping out Google Maps or asking your smartphone to tell you how to get there? Now more than ever, we rely on maps to get us around, and someone's got to make them. That someone is a cartographer. Cartographers collect tons of geographical information from all over the planet, analyze it, and then create finely detailed maps that reflect not just roads and streets, but population demographics, environmental conditions, weather patterns, animal habitats, and much more. In a way, you get to explore the world as your job—how cool is that?

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 2

Family Description

You are a co-provider for your family, as you and your spouse both work full-time. Your spouse is a school teacher and contributes an additional \$51,380 to your yearly salary. *You incur no additional expenses.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms:	3	Monthly Deductions/Additions:	\$0
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My Annual Salary: \$54,510	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$51,380
Household's Annual Salary: \$105,890	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$8,824.17	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$8,824.17	

Monthly Salary: **\$8,824.17**

C046

PHYSICAL THERAPIST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$76,310

Job Description

Physical therapists (PTs) are trained medical pros who can diagnose physical ailments, create plans for recovery, and use a variety of machines and techniques to guide patients through rehabilitation. PTs can work for hospitals and clinics, or they can be their own boss, visiting patients at home. It's a great, growing career for active people looking to help others.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse has been laid off and is unable to find employment. You have two children, a boy and a girl, who are both in elementary school. *You incur no additional expenses.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms:	3	Monthly Deductions/Additions:	\$0
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My Annual Salary: \$76,310	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$76,310	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$6,359.17	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,359.17	

Monthly Salary: **\$6,359.17**

C047

WEB DEVELOPER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$75,660

Job Description

Professional web developers are highly skilled in using HTML, XML, Java, and other coding languages to create dazzling sites with tons of impressive functions. You could work for a killer company like Google, or be self-employed and work from home. The opportunities are endless (especially in central Texas, where high tech is a huge industry).

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. You and your spouse have a one year old son, which your spouse stays home with to take care of so that *you incur no additional expenses.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms:	2	Monthly Deductions/Additions:	\$0
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My Annual Salary: \$75,660	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$75,660	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$6,305	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,305	

Monthly Salary: **\$6,305**

C048

SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$59,000

Job Description

Social media has exploded and become just as vital for companies as it is for individuals. But not everyone is good at it, which is why the social media manager position was created. These web-savvy peeps use their expert knowledge of all relevant social media platforms to create and maintain communication that keeps the company's message pulsing around the Internet. This is a career that combines skills in creative writing, marketing, and web technology—some of which you may already have. So keep on tweeting, posting, and blogging, because one day you just might get paid for it. Yep, it's just like living the dream.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. You and your spouse have divorced and you *receive an additional \$850 per month in child support for your two school age children.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms:	3	Monthly Deductions/Additions:	+\$850
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My Annual Salary: \$59,000	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$59,000	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$4,916.67	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$5,766.67	

Monthly Salary: **\$5,766.67**

C049

PERSONAL BUSINESS MANAGER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$61,000

Job Description

Personal business managers help their clients make the right choices. As a business manager, you need a combination of strong business and people skills, because you'll be negotiating salaries, writing contracts, creating career-path strategies for your client, and networking with people who could get your client work. Actors, singers, pro athletes, entrepreneurs, and anyone who makes money entertaining the masses needs a business manager. And that just might be you.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 2

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse is pursuing a bachelor's degree from a state university and attends class full-time. Tuition, books, and transportation deduct an additional \$850 from your monthly earnings.

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 1 Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$850

My Annual Salary: \$61,000	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$61,000	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$5,083.33	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$4,233.33	

Monthly Salary: \$4,233.33

C050

DEFENSE ATTORNEY

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$112,760

Job Description

Defense attorneys specialize in keeping their clients from going to jail or paying a fine. Usually this means they advise their clients before they go to court, help to conduct and oversee research on their court cases, interpret the law for their clients, write important documents like lawsuits and contracts, and argue on their behalf in front of a judge. In some cases, they also help to make deals (usually between clients who have admitted to committing crimes and the police) to reduce their clients' sentences in exchange for information that can help solve other crimes.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 3

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. Your spouse recently left and refuses to pay child support so now you have to raise your two daughters on a single salary. *You must deduct \$850 per month for childcare.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3 Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$850

My Annual Salary: \$112,760	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$112,760	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$9,396.67	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$8,546.67	

Monthly Salary: \$8,546.67

C051

PSYCHOLOGIST

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$68,640

Job Description

Psychologists collect information in many different ways: by observing people, asking them questions, and giving them tests. They then use what they've learned to make our lives better, by developing programs and treatments that help people break bad habits or overcome mental obstacles. They can also work hand-in-hand with social workers or doctors to treat people with mental disorders. Whether they're working for hospitals and clinics, or even for law enforcement (like the FBI), psychologists can help us understand and overcome the obstacles we all face.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4

Family Description

You are the sole provider for your family. You and your spouse have two children, which your spouse stays home with to take care of so that *you incur no additional expenses.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3 Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$0

My Annual Salary: \$68,640	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$0
Household's Annual Salary: \$68,640	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$5,720	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$5,720	

Monthly Salary: \$5,720

C052

GRAPHIC DESIGNER

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$43,500

Job Description

Today's graphic designers also use computer programs (like InDesign) to create their work, which may be displayed online, within an app, or in a more traditional paper medium such as a magazine, brochure, or poster. One of the most challenging parts of this job is being able to think conceptually: Graphic designers need to be able to start out with a single idea and bring it to life on a page or screen. They may also have to bring in text, logos, and photographs to illustrate the message. Any company that uses illustrated materials will have the need for graphic designers, making this a fun, flexible career that also offers the chance to work from home as a freelancer.

NUMBER IN FAMILY: 4

Family Description

You are a co-provider for your family, as you and your spouse both work full-time. Your spouse is a film and video editor and contributes an additional \$45,490 to your yearly salary. *Since you both work full-time, you must deduct \$850 per month for childcare.*

Minimum # of Bedrooms: 3 Monthly Deductions/Additions: -\$850

My Annual Salary: \$43,500	Spouse's Annual Salary: \$45,490
Household's Annual Salary: \$88,990	
Household's Monthly Salary: \$7,415.83	
Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$6,565.83	

Monthly Salary: \$6,565.83

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$

Job Description

NUMBER IN FAMILY:

Family Description

Minimum # of Bedrooms:

Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$

My Annual Salary: \$

Spouse's Annual Salary: \$

Household's Annual Salary: \$

Household's Monthly Salary: \$

Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$

Monthly Salary: \$

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$

Job Description

NUMBER IN FAMILY:

Family Description

Minimum # of Bedrooms:

Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$

My Annual Salary: \$

Spouse's Annual Salary: \$

Household's Annual Salary: \$

Household's Monthly Salary: \$

Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$

Monthly Salary: \$

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$

Job Description

NUMBER IN FAMILY:

Family Description

Minimum # of Bedrooms:

Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$

My Annual Salary: \$

Spouse's Annual Salary: \$

Household's Annual Salary: \$

Household's Monthly Salary: \$

Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$

Monthly Salary: \$

Annual Salary Before Taxes: \$

Job Description

NUMBER IN FAMILY:

Family Description

Minimum # of Bedrooms:

Monthly Deductions/Additions: \$

My Annual Salary: \$

Spouse's Annual Salary: \$

Household's Annual Salary: \$

Household's Monthly Salary: \$

Household's Monthly Salary After Deductions/Additions: \$

Monthly Salary: \$