# COMP FNSATION TRENDS FOR 2024 

Perceptions among U.S. hiring decision-makers appear to be quite optimistic for hiring with the expectations for increasing company headcount continuing to trend upward in 2024 over 2023. Most U.S. hiring decision-makers (79\%) are looking toward hiring opportunities in 2024 with a positive mindset.

Companies that anticipate increasing their headcount in the first half of 2024 attribute these plans to:

- The need to manage increased volumes of work (51\%)
- Filling newly created positions (45\%)
- Filling positions that are open due to employee turnover (43\%)

More than 2 in 5 U.S. hiring decision-makers (42\%) say their company has open positions they cannot fill due to a variety of reasons, including a lack of applicants with:

- Necessary hard skills (44\%)
- Relevant experience (41\%)
- Necessary soft skills (33\%)



## COMPETITIVE COMPENSATION IS A KEY DIFFERENTIATOR

Nearly a quarter of U.S. hiring decision-makers (22\%) cite their company's pay not being competitive as a challenge for 2024. Sixty percent of hiring decisionmakers say more employees at their company have asked for a raise in their salary/wages due to an increase in the cost of living.


## COMPENSATION TRENDS FOR 2024

The following data represent national averages for a wide variety of roles for which the Specialized Recruiting Group helps companies recruit top talent. For more detailed information about your local compensation trends, contact your Specialized Recruiting Group representative. All data within this report were provided via JobsEQ by Chmura, a top third-party resource for labor market data and analytics. More information about JobsEQ is available at Chmura.com.

## ACCOUNTING/FINANCE

| Job Title | Mean | Entry Level | Experienced |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Accountants and Auditors | \$89,400 | \$54,100 | \$107,100 |
| Actuaries | \$131,500 | \$78,700 | \$158,000 |
| Bill and Account Collectors | \$45,600 | \$33,000 | \$51,900 |
| Brokerage Clerks | \$63,900 | \$47,400 | \$72,100 |
| Budget Analysts | \$89,900 | \$59,100 | \$105,300 |
| Claims Adjusters, Examiners, and Investigators | \$76,500 | \$50,300 | \$89,600 |
| Credit Analysts | \$94,700 | \$53,100 | \$115,500 |
| Credit Authorizers, Checkers, and Clerks | \$49,100 | \$35,000 | \$56,200 |
| Credit Counselors | \$54,500 | \$37,900 | \$62,900 |
| Financial and Investment Analysts | \$110,300 | \$63,800 | \$133,500 |
| Financial Managers | \$169,900 | \$89,800 | \$209,900 |
| Financial Risk Specialists | \$117,500 | \$65,500 | \$143,500 |
| Financial Specialists, All Other | \$86,400 | \$45,500 | \$106,900 |
| Insurance Appraisers, Auto Damage | \$73,500 | \$54,600 | \$83,000 |
| Insurance Claims and Policy Processing Clerks | \$50,800 | \$36,900 | \$57,800 |
| Insurance Sales Agents | \$81,400 | \$37,800 | \$103,300 |
| Insurance Underwriters | \$85,600 | \$52,200 | \$102,400 |
| Loan Interviewers and Clerks | \$49,400 | \$36,100 | \$56,000 |
| Loan Officers | \$87,700 | \$41,700 | \$110,700 |
| Personal Financial Advisors | \$145,300 | \$55,400 | \$190,200 |
| Securities, Commodities, and Financial Services Sales Agents | \$104,700 | \$45,900 | \$134,100 |
| Tax Examiners and Collectors, and Revenue Agents | \$69,600 | \$40,900 | \$83,900 |
| Tax Preparers | \$57,600 | \$30,700 | \$71,100 |
| Tellers | \$39,200 | \$31,600 | \$43,000 |



| Job Title | Mean | Entry Level | Experienced |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aerospace Engineers | \$132,100 | \$85,900 | \$155,300 |
| Agricultural Engineers | \$95,200 | \$56,900 | \$114,400 |
| Architects, Except Landscape and Naval | \$99,400 | \$60,200 | \$119,000 |
| Architectural and Engineering Managers | \$167,100 | \$113,300 | \$194,000 |
| Bioengineers and Biomedical Engineers | \$109,000 | \$69,900 | \$128,500 |
| Chemical Engineers | \$121,100 | \$78,900 | \$142,300 |
| Civil Engineers | \$101,700 | \$67,000 | \$119,000 |
| Computer Hardware Engineers | \$144,400 | \$86,900 | \$173,200 |
| Construction and Building Inspectors | \$73,600 | \$46,500 | \$87,200 |
| Construction Managers | \$115,400 | \$69,300 | \$138,500 |
| Drafters | \$66,500 | \$44,200 | \$77,700 |
| Electrical Engineers | \$117,200 | \$74,100 | \$138,800 |
| Electronics Engineers, Except Computer | \$123,300 | \$80,500 | \$144,700 |
| Engineers, All Other | \$115,100 | \$68,100 | \$138,600 |
| Environmental Engineers | \$106,400 | \$67,300 | \$125,900 |
| Health and Safety Engineers, Except Mining Safety Engineers and Inspectors | \$107,700 | \$69,200 | \$127,000 |
| Industrial Engineers | \$103,100 | \$70,700 | \$119,300 |
| Industrial Production Managers | \$124,800 | \$77,100 | \$148,700 |
| Marine Engineers and Naval Architects | \$105,000 | \$73,600 | \$120,800 |
| Materials Engineers | \$109,600 | \$69,300 | \$129,800 |
| Mechanical Engineers | \$105,100 | \$69,400 | \$122,900 |
| Mining and Geological Engineers, Including Mining Safety Engineers | \$105,400 | \$65,000 | \$125,600 |
| Nuclear Engineers | \$129,400 | \$87,500 | \$150,300 |
| Occupational Health and Safety Specialists | \$86,500 | \$53,700 | \$103,000 |
| Petroleum Engineers | \$145,700 | \$88,800 | \$174,200 |
| Plant and System Operators | \$74,700 | \$44,100 | \$90,000 |
| Surveyors | \$76,600 | \$46,000 | \$91,900 |

## HUMAN RESOURCES

| Job Title | Mean | Fintry Level | Fxperienced |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Compensation and Benefits Managers | $\$ 146,800$ | $\$ 86,400$ | $\$ 177,000$ |
| Compensation, Benefits, and Job Analysis Specialists | $\$ 78,200$ | $\$ 47,500$ | $\$ 93,600$ |
| Eligibility Interviewers, Government Programs | $\$ 52,200$ | $\$ 36,700$ | $\$ 59,900$ |
| Human Resources Assistants, Except Payroll and Timekeeping | $\$ 49,300$ | $\$ 36,100$ | $\$ 55,900$ |
| Human Resources Managers | $\$ 149,000$ | $\$ 85,200$ | $\$ 180,900$ |
| Human Resources Specialists | $\$ 75,400$ | $\$ 44,500$ | $\$ 90,900$ |
| Human Resources Workers | $\$ 76,400$ | $\$ 44,600$ | $\$ 92,400$ |
| Labor Relations Specialists | $\$ 90,000$ | $\$ 48,800$ | $\$ 110,600$ |
| Social and Community Service Managers | $\$ 81,900$ | $\$ 51,300$ | $\$ 97,200$ |
| Training and Development Managers | $\$ 135,400$ | $\$ 78,200$ | $\$ 164,100$ |

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

| Job Title | Mean | Entry Level | Experienced |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Computer and Information Analysts | \$115,100 | \$70,200 | \$137,500 |
| Computer and Information Research Scientists | \$161,800 | \$87,900 | \$198,800 |
| Computer and Information Systems Managers | \$177,500 | \$107,800 | \$212,300 |
| Computer Network Architects | \$135,700 | \$83,100 | \$162,000 |
| Computer Network Support Specialists | \$79,800 | \$49,100 | \$95,200 |
| Computer Programmers | \$108,700 | \$64,100 | \$131,000 |
| Computer Support Specialists | \$68,000 | \$42,400 | \$80,900 |
| Computer Systems Analysts | \$112,200 | \$69,000 | \$133,800 |
| Computer User Support Specialists | \$65,200 | \$41,400 | \$77,100 |
| Data Scientists | \$119,300 | \$66,100 | \$145,800 |
| Database Administrators | \$107,200 | \$61,500 | \$130,100 |
| Database and Network Administrators and Architects | \$115,100 | \$67,700 | \$138,800 |
| Database Architects | \$141,300 | \$88,500 | \$167,700 |
| Information Security Analysts | \$124,100 | \$75,100 | \$148,600 |
| Network and Computer Systems Administrators | \$101,700 | \$63,400 | \$120,900 |
| Software and Web Developers, Programmers, and Testers | \$129,800 | \$73,200 | \$158,100 |
| Software Developers | \$138,500 | \$82,900 | \$166,400 |
| Software Quality Assurance Analysts and Testers | \$110,500 | \$64,600 | \$133,400 |
| Technical Writers | \$90,500 | \$55,100 | \$108,200 |
| Web and Digital Interface Designers | \$102,300 | \$48,500 | \$129,300 |
| Web Developers | \$91,500 | \$48,900 | \$112,900 |

## LEGAL

| Job Title | Mean | Fntry Level | Experienced |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Administrative Law Judges, Adjudicators, and Hearing Officers | $\$ 97,700$ | $\$ 53,500$ | $\$ 119,700$ |
| Arbitrators, Mediators, and Conciliators | $\$ 88,000$ | $\$ 43,600$ | $\$ 110,200$ |
| Judicial Law Clerks | $\$ 61,500$ | $\$ 38,500$ | $\$ 73,000$ |
| Lawyers | $\$ 168,800$ | $\$ 77,900$ | $\$ 214,200$ |
| Paralegals and Legal Assistants | $\$ 66,400$ | $\$ 42,800$ | $\$ 78,300$ |
| Title Examiners, Abstractors, and Searchers | $\$ 60,500$ | $\$ 38,300$ | $\$ 71,700$ |

## SALES, MARKETING, AND CREATIVE

| Job Title | Mean | Fitry Level | Fxperienced |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Advertising and Promotions Managers | $\$ 115,100$ | $\$ 70,200$ | $\$ 137,500$ |
| Advertising Sales Agents | $\$ 161,800$ | $\$ 87,900$ | $\$ 198,800$ |
| Art Directors | $\$ 177,500$ | $\$ 107,800$ | $\$ 212,300$ |
| Commercial and Industrial Designers | $\$ 135,700$ | $\$ 83,100$ | $\$ 162,000$ |
| Editors | $\$ 79,800$ | $\$ 49,100$ | $\$ 95,200$ |
| Film and Video Editors | $\$ 108,700$ | $\$ 64,100$ | $\$ 131,000$ |
| Fundraising Managers | $\$ 68,000$ | $\$ 42,400$ | $\$ 80,900$ |
| Graphic Designers | $\$ 112,200$ | $\$ 69,000$ | $\$ 133,800$ |
| Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists | $\$ 65,200$ | $\$ 41,400$ | $\$ 77,100$ |
| Marketing Managers | $\$ 119,300$ | $\$ 66,100$ | $\$ 145,800$ |
| Public Relations Managers | $\$ 107,200$ | $\$ 61,500$ | $\$ 130,100$ |
| Public Relations Specialists | $\$ 115,100$ | $\$ 67,700$ | $\$ 138,800$ |
| Real Estate Brokers | $\$ 141,300$ | $\$ 88,500$ | $\$ 167,700$ |

## SALES, MARKETING, AND CREATIVE (Continued)

| Job Title | Mean | Entry Level | Fxperienced |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Real Estate Sales Agents | $\$ 115,100$ | $\$ 70,200$ | $\$ 137,500$ |
| Sales Engineers | $\$ 161,800$ | $\$ 87,900$ | $\$ 198,800$ |
| Sales Managers | $\$ 177,500$ | $\$ 107,800$ | $\$ 212,300$ |
| Sales Representatives of Services, Except Advertising, Insurance, <br> Financial Services, and Travel | $\$ 135,700$ | $\$ 83,100$ | $\$ 162,000$ |
| Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and <br> Scientific Products | $\$ 79,800$ | $\$ 49,100$ | $\$ 95,200$ |
| Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Technical and |  |  |  |
| Scientific Products |  |  |  |

## SUPPLY CHAIN/LOGISTICS

| Job Titie | Mean | Fntry Level | Fxperienced |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Buyers and Purchasing Agents | $\$ 76,800$ | $\$ 46,100$ | $\$ 92,100$ |
| Logisticians | $\$ 83,100$ | $\$ 51,500$ | $\$ 98,900$ |
| Project Management Specialists | $\$ 104,600$ | $\$ 59,900$ | $\$ 127,000$ |
| Purchasing Managers | $\$ 143,200$ | $\$ 89,100$ | $\$ 170,200$ |
| Transportation, Storage, and Distribution Managers | $\$ 112,300$ | $\$ 65,500$ | $\$ 135,800$ |

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