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Industry Profile



Crop and Animal Production

1st Quarter 2018



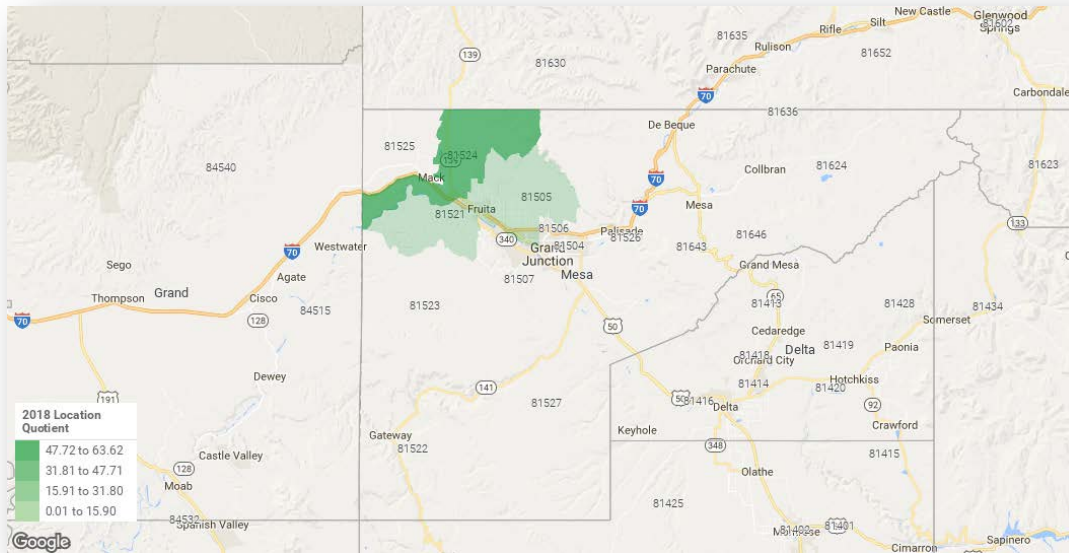
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Crop Production makes up for 4% of Mesa County's total employment. The map below shows employment concentration in Mesa County. In 2017 Mesa County had 2,714 jobs available in the Crop Production industry. That number is expected to increase by .7% in 2018.



ZIP	ZIP Name	2018 Location Quotient	2017 Jobs	2018 Jobs
81524	Loma, CO	63.62	1,012	1,013
81521	Fruita, CO	13.08	505	505
81505	Grand Junction, CO	1.75	250	250

Note the location quotient for each zip code. A location quotient of 1.00 represents the average concentration for the Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting sector state wide. Mesa County's location quotient is 1.73.

Top Regional Businesses

Business Name	Industry Name	Business Size
Talbott Farms Inc	Crop Production (111000)	225
High Lonesome Ranch	Hunting and Trapping (114210)	35
Us Forest Service Ranger Station	Forest Nurseries and Gathering of Forest Products (113210)	33
Meadow Gold Dairy	Animal Production (112000)	28
Us Forest Service Work Center	Forest Nurseries and Gathering of Forest Products (113210)	28

Source: *Economic Modeling Specialist International

Top 10 occupations and five year outlook

Description	Employed in Industry (2018)	Employed in Industry (2023)	% Change (2018 - 2023)	% of Total Jobs in Industry (2017)	Median Hourly Earnings	Typical Entry Level Education	Typical On-The-Job Training
Farmers, Ranchers, and Other Agricultural Managers	1,772	1,783	1%	65.1%	\$9.67	High school diploma or equivalent	None
Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse	412	440	7%	14.9%	\$9.57	No formal educational credential	Short-term on-the-job training
Nonfarm Animal Caretakers	51	51	0%	1.9%	\$11.26	High school diploma or equivalent	Short-term on-the-job training
Fishers and Related Fishing Workers	44	45	2%	1.6%	\$12.25	No formal educational credential	Moderate-term on-the-job training
Animal Trainers	40	39	(3%)	1.5%	\$10.27	High school diploma or equivalent	Moderate-term on-the-job training
Agricultural Equipment Operators	41	45	10%	1.5%	\$14.44	No formal educational credential	Moderate-term on-the-job training
Farmworkers, Farm, Ranch, and Aquacultural Animals	40	42	5%	1.5%	\$9.77	No formal educational credential	Short-term on-the-job training
First-Line Supervisors of Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Workers	23	23	0%	0.8%	\$24.62	High school diploma or equivalent	None
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	20	21	5%	0.7%	\$16.43	Some college, no degree	Moderate-term on-the-job training
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	17	18	6%	0.6%	\$19.31	Postsecondary nondegree award	Short-term on-the-job training

The above list represents the top five occupations and a five year outlook in the Crop and Animal Production Industry.

Western Slope Competitive Wage Analysis

Description	Annual Openings	Available Applicants	Applicants per job opening	Pct. 10 Hourly Earnings	Pct. 25 Hourly Earnings	Avg. Hourly Earnings	Pct. 75 Hourly Earnings	Pct. 90 Hourly Earnings
Farmers, Ranchers, and Other Agricultural Managers	145	2	0.01	\$7.27	\$8.72	\$10.00	\$10.97	\$12.71
Animal Trainers	9	12	1.3	\$8.96	\$9.45	\$10.25	\$11.07	\$11.91
Nonfarm Animal Caretakers	80	19	0.2	\$9.14	\$9.93	\$11.47	\$12.37	\$13.75
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	93	179	1.9	\$10.63	\$13.37	\$17.08	\$20.36	\$24.41
First-Line Supervisors of Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Workers	3	3	1.0	\$15.62	\$17.04	\$22.01	\$24.63	\$25.11
Agricultural Equipment Operators	8	16	2.0	\$9.08	\$11.01	\$12.90	\$14.45	\$14.75
Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse	75	32	0.4	\$7.71	\$8.59	\$11.31	\$13.12	\$17.16
Farmworkers, Farm, Ranch, and Aquacultural Animals	8	55	6.9	\$8.38	\$8.64	\$11.49	\$12.52	\$17.69
Fishers and Related Fishing Workers	5	8	1.6	\$9.81	\$11.26	\$12.82	\$14.36	\$15.69
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	133	307	2.3	\$12.86	\$14.74	\$18.91	\$22.47	\$24.49

Counties included in Western Slope: Mesa, Eagle, Summit, Garfield, Lake, Gunnison, Montrose, San Miguel, and Delta Counties
 Source: EMSI, Connecting Colorado

This table shows the relationship between the available labor pool and current employment in the key occupations. This can also be understood as the shortage or surplus of labor in each occupation.

The average and percentile wage salary ranges are actual wage levels for those occupations, across all industry groups within the regions.

In the table above, the wage rates highlighted in yellow represent wage scales which may have to be paid to new hires based on low or high regional demand for each of the key occupations.