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Industry Profile



Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting

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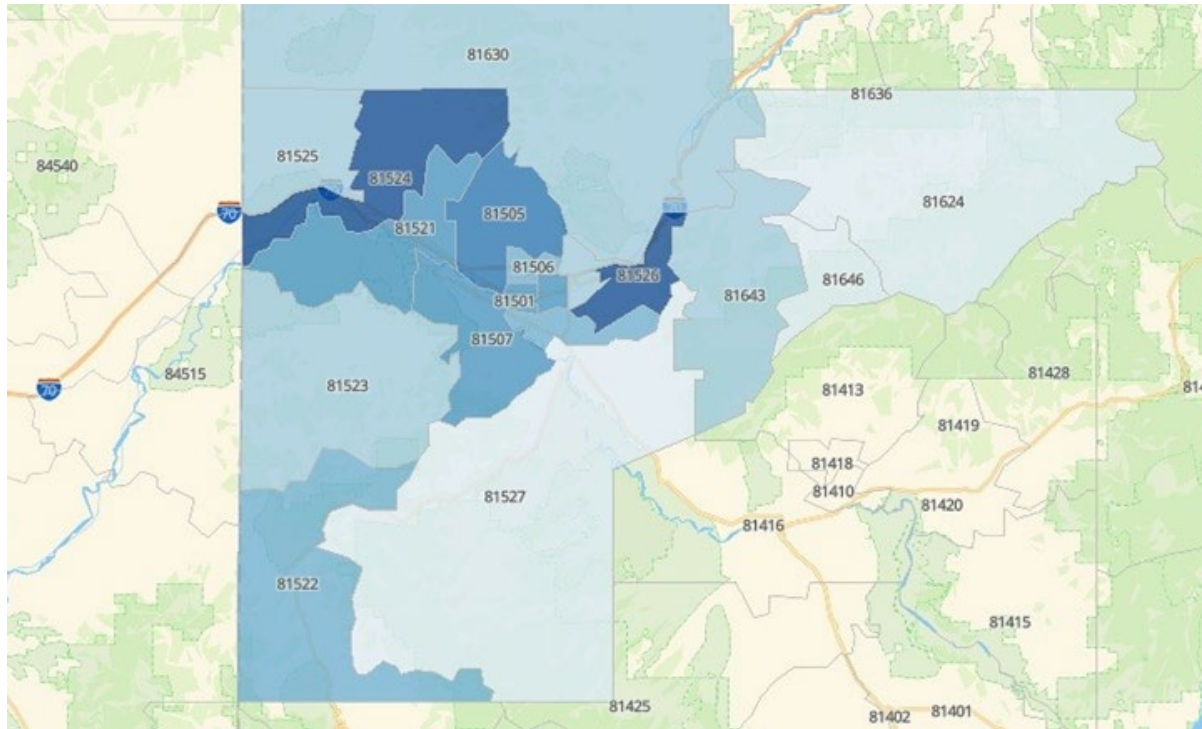
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Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting makes up for 1.2% of Mesa County's total employment. The map below shows employment concentration in Mesa County. In 2021, Mesa County had 887 jobs available in the Crop Production and Animal Production industry. That number is expected to increase by 0.3% in 2022.



ZIP	ZIP Name	2022 Jobs	Avg. Earnings Per Job	2021 Location Quotient
81524	Loma	271	\$40,999	32.90
81526	Palisade	214	\$51,625	9.26
81505	Grand Junction	99	\$46,898	0.54
81507	Grand Junction	44	\$51,865	1.21
81501	Grand Junction	43	\$44,372	0.15
81504	Grand Junction	37	\$51,788	0.42
81521	Fruita	36	\$49,336	0.48
81522	Gateway	28	\$47,892	5.97
81506	Grand Junction	26	\$51,743	0.29
81503	Grand Junction	26	\$51,856	0.60
81523	Glade Park	18	\$52,136	7.61
81630	De Beque	17	\$45,754	3.92
81643	Mesa	15	\$51,895	3.04
81520	Clifton	15	\$51,918	0.38

Top Regional Businesses

Business Name	Industry Name	Business Size
Talbott's Mountain Gold	Crop Production	225
High Lonesome Ranch	Hunting and Trapping	35
Meadow Gold Dairies Inc	Animal Production	28
High Country Orchards Llc	Crop Production	22
Whitby Farms	Crop Production	20

Source: DatabaseUSA.com Business Level Data*

Top occupations and five-year outlook

Description	Employed in Industry (2021)	Employed in Industry (2022)	Employed in Industry (2027)	% Change (2022 - 2027)	% of Total Jobs in Industry (2021)	Median Hourly Earnings	Typical Entry Level Education	Typical On-The-Job Training
Farmers, Ranchers, and Other Agricultural Managers	327	328	331	1%	36.6%	\$15.11	High school diploma or equivalent	None
Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse	241	242	252	4%	27.0%	\$12.77	No formal educational credential	Short-term on-the-job training
Farmworkers, Farm, Ranch, and Aquacultural Animals	82	82	83	1%	9.1%	\$12.81	No formal educational credential	Short-term on-the-job training
Agricultural Workers, All Other	35	34	34	(1%)	3.9%	\$15.40	No formal educational credential	Short-term on-the-job training
Agricultural Equipment Operators	29	29	30	4%	3.2%	\$14.47	No formal educational credential	Moderate-term on-the-job training
First-Line Supervisors of Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Workers	19	19	20	5%	2.1%	\$20.46	High school diploma or equivalent	None
Animal Caretakers	18	18	20	11%	2.0%	\$13.55	High school diploma or equivalent	Short-term on-the-job training
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	12	12	12	2%	1.3%	\$22.40	Postsecondary nondegree award	Short-term on-the-job training
Animal Trainers	11	11	11	3%	1.2%	\$12.56	High school diploma or equivalent	Moderate-term on-the-job training

Graders and Sorters, Agricultural Products	10	10	11	1%	1.2%	\$12.56	No formal educational credential	Short-term on-the-job training
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The above list represents the top occupations and a five-year outlook in the Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting

Western Slope Competitive Wage Analysis

Description	2021 Resident Workers	Avg. Annual Openings	Applicants per job opening	Pct. 10 Hourly Earnings	Pct. 25 Hourly Earnings	Median Hourly Earnings	Pct. 75 Hourly Earnings	Pct. 90 Hourly Earnings
Farmers, Ranchers, and Other Agricultural Managers	309	33	9.5	\$3.18	\$11.04	\$15.11	\$28.64	\$57.99
Animal Trainers	20	3	6.7	\$2.35	\$6.83	\$12.56	\$17.18	\$26.51
Animal Caretakers	166	36	4.6	\$9.15	\$12.42	\$13.55	\$14.92	\$19.29
First-Line Supervisors of Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Workers	15	3	5.1	\$12.32	\$13.98	\$20.46	\$29.01	\$37.94
Agricultural Equipment Operators	22	5	4.5	\$12.32	\$12.56	\$14.47	\$18.59	\$24.47
Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse	229	49	4.7	\$12.32	\$12.34	\$12.77	\$14.49	\$18.76
Farmworkers, Farm, Ranch, and Aquacultural Animals	77	14	5.6	\$12.32	\$12.33	\$12.81	\$15.09	\$21.78
Agricultural Workers, All Other	31	6	5.5	\$12.32	\$12.75	\$15.40	\$17.08	\$22.45
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	985	96	10.2	\$16.91	\$21.43	\$22.40	\$28.22	\$37.52

Counties included in Western Slope: Mesa, Garfield, Montrose, and Delta Counties

Source: Lighthouse

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.