



5 Architecture and Engineering Occupations in San Diego-Chula Vista-Carlsbad, CA

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What is Lightcast Data?

Lightcast data is a hybrid dataset derived from official government sources such as the US Census Bureau, Bureau of Economic Analysis, and Bureau of Labor Statistics. Leveraging the unique strengths of each source, our data modeling team creates an authoritative dataset that captures more than 99% of all workers in the United States. This core offering is then enriched with data from online social profiles, resumés, and job postings to give you a complete view of the workforce.

Lightcast data is frequently cited in major publications such as *The Atlantic*, *Forbes*, *Harvard Business Review*, *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *USA Today*.



Report Parameters

5 Occupations

17-3031	Surveying and Mapping Technicians	17-3019	Drafters, All Other
17-1022	Surveyors	17-1021	Cartographers and Photogrammetrists
17-3022	Civil Engineering Technologists and Technicians		

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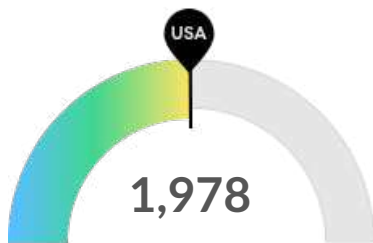
Class of Worker

QCEW Employees

The information in this report pertains to the chosen occupations and geographical area.

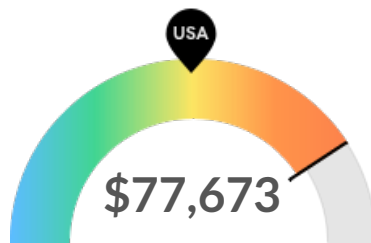
Executive Summary

Average Job Posting Demand Over an Average Supply of Regional Jobs



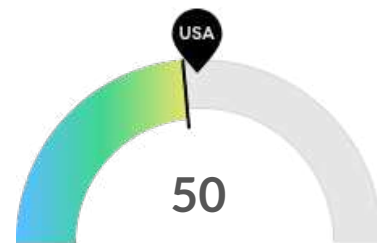
Jobs (2023)

San Diego-Chula Vista-Carlsbad, CA is about average for this kind of job. The national average for an area this size is 1,989* employees, while there are 1,978 here.



Compensation

Earnings are high in San Diego-Chula Vista-Carlsbad, CA. The national median salary for your occupations is \$59,370, compared to \$77,673 here.



Job Posting Demand

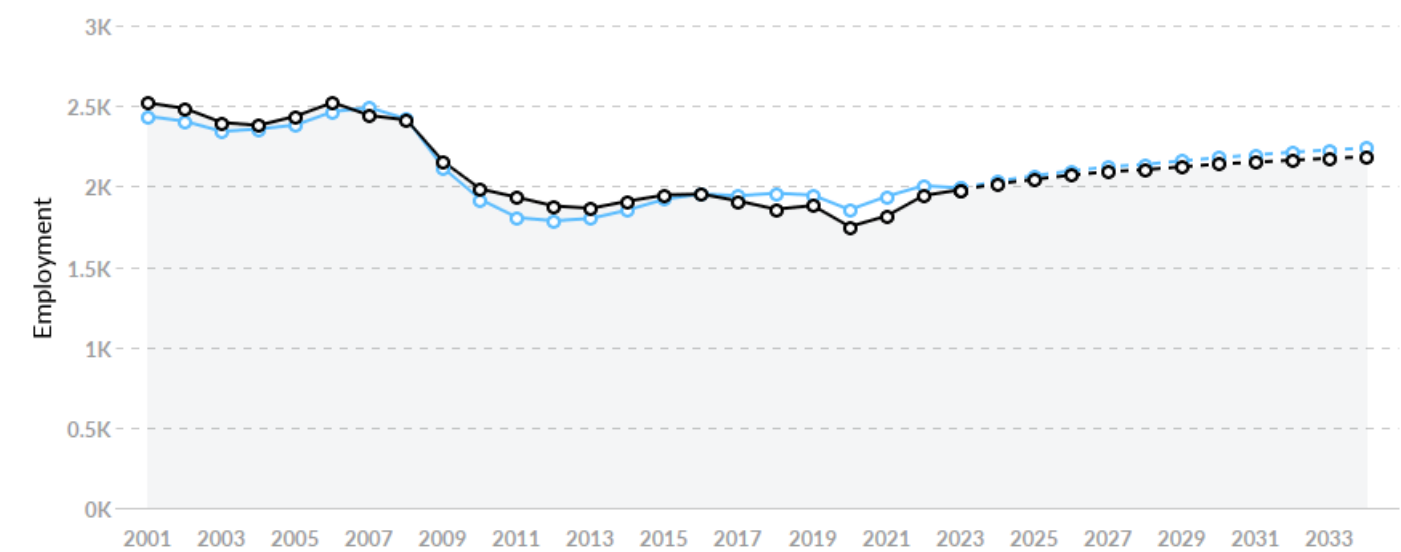
Job posting activity is about average in San Diego-Chula Vista-Carlsbad, CA. The national average for an area this size is 54* job postings/mo, while there are 50 here.

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Jobs

Regional Employment Is About Equal to the National Average

An average area of this size typically has 1,989* jobs, while there are 1,978 here.



	Region	2023 Jobs	2024 Jobs	Change	% Change
●	San Diego-Chula Vista-Carlsbad, CA	1,978	2,015	37	1.9%
●	National Average	1,989	2,031	42	2.1%

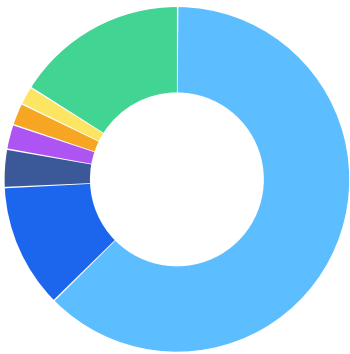
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Regional Breakdown



County	2023 Jobs
San Diego County, CA	1,978

Most Jobs are Found in the Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services Industry Sector

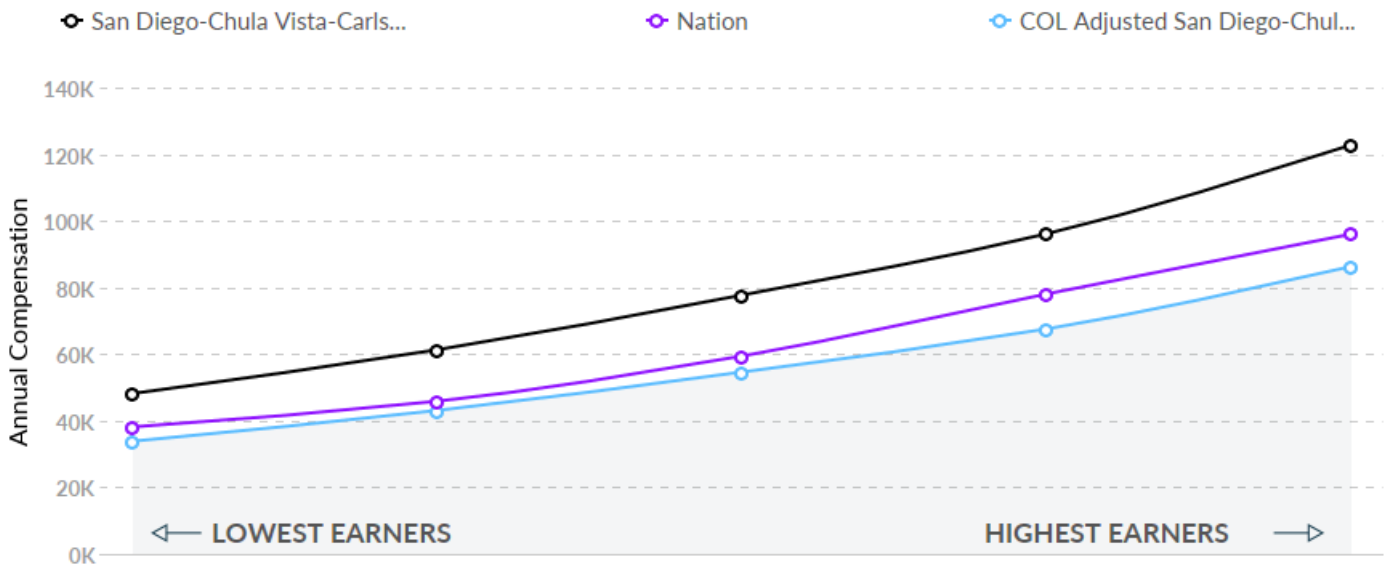


Industry	% of Occupation in Industry (2023)
Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services	62.5%
Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	11.6%
State Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	3.6%
Natural Gas Distribution	2.3%
Management, Scientific, and Technical Consulting Services	2.1%
Scientific Research and Development Services	1.7%
Other	16.1%

Compensation

Regional Compensation Is 31% Higher Than National Compensation

For your occupations, the 2023 median wage in San Diego-Chula Vista-Carlsbad, CA is \$77,673, while the national median wage is \$59,370.



Job Posting Activity



901 Unique Job Postings

The number of unique postings for this job from Jan 2023 to Jun 2024.



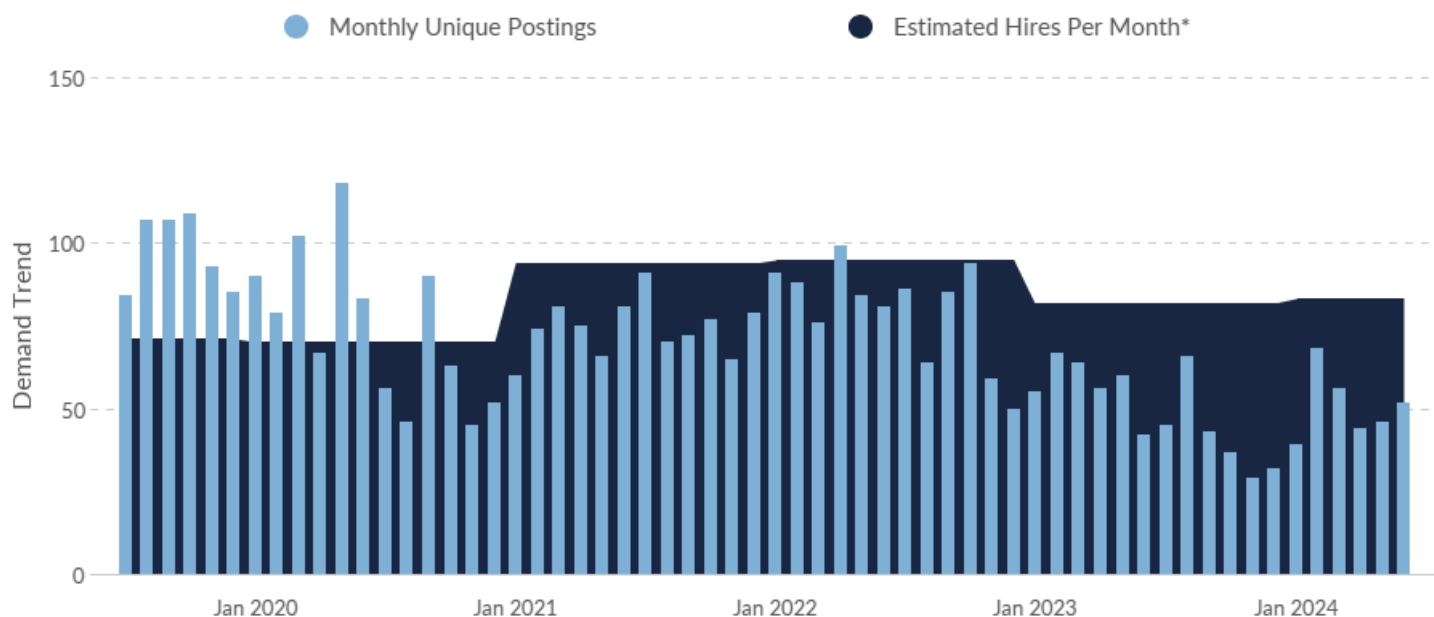
310 Employers Competing

All employers in the region who posted for this job from Jan 2023 to Jun 2024.



28 Day Median Duration

Posting duration is the same as what's typical in the region.



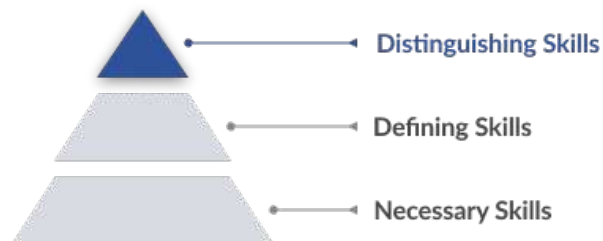
Occupation	Avg Monthly Postings (Jan 2023 - Jun 2024)	Avg Monthly Hires (Jan 2023 - Jun 2024)
Drafters, All Other	24	7
Surveyors	16	16
Surveying and Mapping Technicians	8	26
Civil Engineering Technologists and Technicians	2	31
Cartographers and Photogrammetrists	0	3

*A hire is reported by the Quarterly Workforce Indicators when an individual's Social Security Number appears on a company's payroll and was not there the quarter before. Lightcast hires are calculated using a combination of Lightcast jobs data, information on separation rates from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), and industry-based hires data from the Census Bureau.

Top Companies	Unique Postings	Top Job Titles	Unique Postings
Actalent	60 <div></div>	Drafters	47 <div></div>
GPAC	36 <div></div>	Land Surveyors	42 <div></div>
City Of San Diego	15 <div></div>	Surveyors	41 <div></div>
General Atomics	14 <div></div>	CAD Drafters	35 <div></div>
Boston Scientific	12 <div></div>	CAD Drafters/Designers	35 <div></div>
Fuscoe Engineering	12 <div></div>	CAD Designers	29 <div></div>
NV5	11 <div></div>	Project Surveyors	29 <div></div>
American Bureau Of Shipping	9 <div></div>	Survey Technicians	29 <div></div>
Insight Global	9 <div></div>	Site Surveyors	23 <div></div>
Dudek	8 <div></div>	Survey Party Chiefs	20 <div></div>

Top Distinguishing Skills by Demand

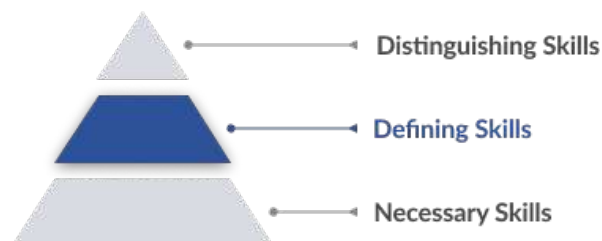
An occupation's Distinguishing Skills are the advanced skills that are called for occasionally. An employee with these skills is likely more specialized and able to differentiate themselves from others in the same role.



Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
Land Surveyor In Training	✗	58	+13.1%	Growing
CAD Standards	✗	27	+13.2%	Growing
Laser Scanning	✗	22	+19.3%	Growing
Total Station	✓	22	+8.3%	Stable
Mechanical Drafting	✓	15	+5.7%	Stable
Radiofrequency Ablation	✓	12	+27.2%	Rapidly Growing
International Board Of Heart Rhythm Examiners (IBHRE) Certification	✗	9	+11.3%	Growing
Rough Sketches	✓	5	+4.7%	Stable
Autodesk Inventor	✓	4	+3.2%	Lagging
Geospatial Analysis	✓	3	+22.1%	Rapidly Growing

Top Defining Skills by Demand

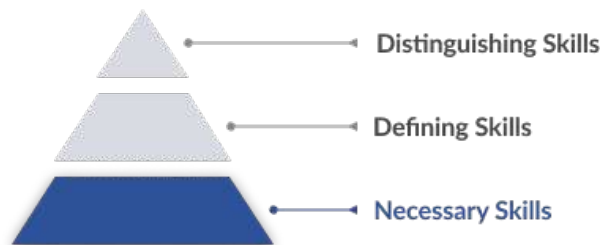
An occupation's Defining Skills represent the day-to-day tasks and responsibilities of the job. An employee needs these skills to qualify for and perform successfully in this occupation.



Skill	Salary Boosting	Job Postings Requesting	Projected Growth	Growth Relative to Market
AutoCAD	×	312	+16.9%	Growing
Computer-Aided Design	×	294	+17.2%	Growing
Surveying	✓	239	+19.8%	Rapidly Growing
Project Management	×	164	+19.8%	Rapidly Growing
Construction	×	139	+10.5%	Growing
Autodesk Revit	×	136	+18.3%	Growing
Valid Driver's License	×	120	+7.5%	Stable
Topography	✓	119	+5.7%	Stable
Legal Land Description	×	100	+9.2%	Growing
Geographic Information Systems	×	92	+10.8%	Growing

Top Necessary Skills by Demand

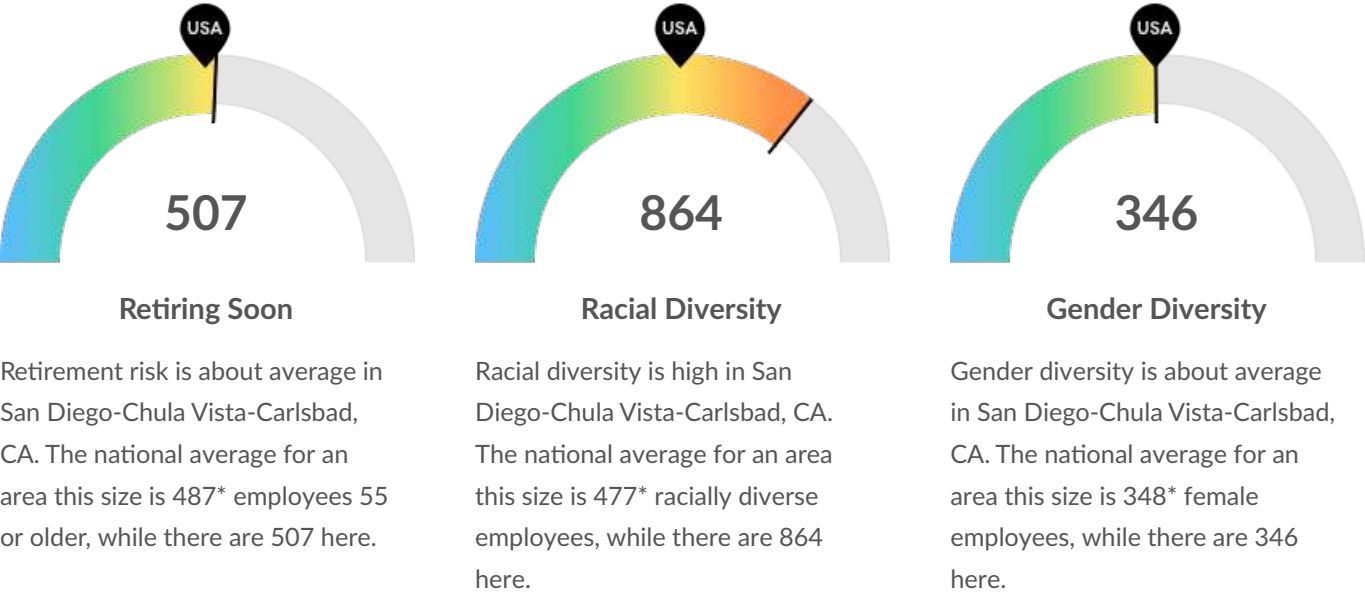
An occupation's Necessary Skills are the specialized skills required for that job and relevant across other similar jobs. An employee needs these skills as building blocks to perform the more complex Defining Skills.



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AutoCAD Civil 3D	×	120	+7.5%	Stable
Valid Driver's License	×	120	+7.5%	Stable
Topography	✓	119	+5.7%	Stable
Legal Land Description	×	100	+9.2%	Growing
3D Modeling	×	94	+19.1%	Growing

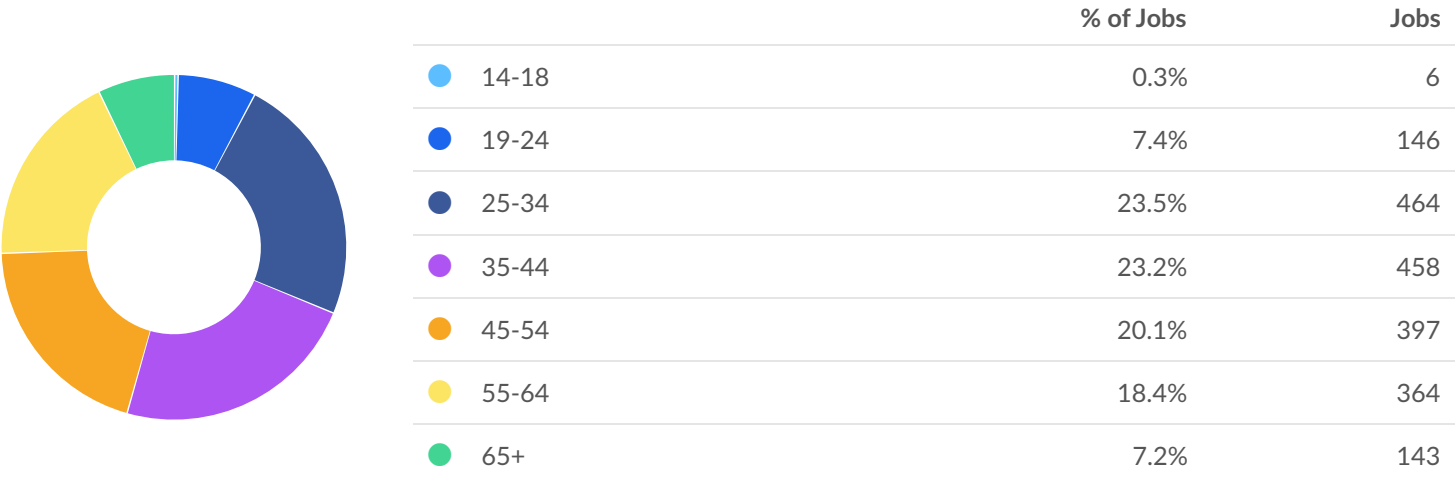
Demographics

Retirement Risk Is About Average, While Overall Diversity Is High

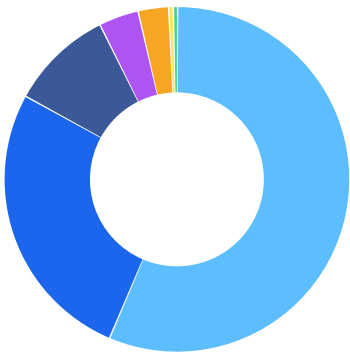


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Occupation Age Breakdown

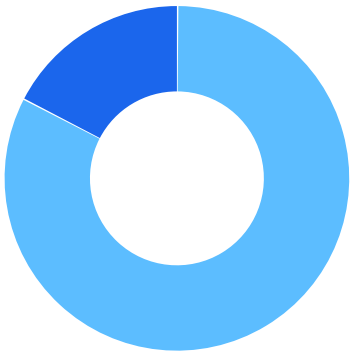


Occupation Race/Ethnicity Breakdown



	% of Jobs	Jobs
White	56.3%	1,114
Hispanic or Latino	26.6%	526
Asian	9.7%	191
Black or African American	3.7%	74
Two or More Races	2.8%	56
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.4%	9
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.4%	8

Occupation Gender Breakdown



	% of Jobs	Jobs
Males	82.5%	1,632
Females	17.5%	346

Occupational Programs



10 Programs

Of the programs that can train for this job, 10 have produced completions in the last 5 years.



314 Completions (2023)

The completions from all regional institutions for all degree types.



207 Openings (2023)

The average number of openings for an occupation in the region is 257.

CIP Code	Top Programs	Completions (2023)	
45.0701	Geography	68	<div></div>
46.0415	Building Construction Technology/Technician	63	<div></div>
40.0601	Geology/Earth Science, General	57	<div></div>
15.1301	Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General	46	<div></div>
45.0702	Geographic Information Science and Cartography	32	<div></div>
15.1302	CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician	24	<div></div>
15.1001	Construction Engineering Technology/Technician	16	<div></div>
15.1102	Surveying Technology/Surveying	6	<div></div>
15.9999	Engineering/Engineering-Related Technologies/Technicians,...	2	<div></div>

Top Schools	Completions (2023)	
San Diego State University	83	<div></div>
CET-San Diego	63	<div></div>
University of California-San Diego	43	<div></div>
Palomar College	40	<div></div>
MiraCosta College	21	<div></div>
Escondido Adult School	20	<div></div>
San Diego Mesa College	12	<div></div>
Southwestern College	12	<div></div>
Cuyamaca College	10	<div></div>
Grossmont College	6	<div></div>

Appendix A - Data Sources and Calculations

Location Quotient

Location quotient (LQ) is a way of quantifying how concentrated a particular industry, cluster, occupation, or demographic group is in a region as compared to the nation. It can reveal what makes a particular region unique in comparison to the national average.

Occupation Data

Emsi occupation employment data are based on final Emsi industry data and final Emsi staffing patterns. Wage estimates are based on Occupational Employment Statistics (QCEW and Non-QCEW Employees classes of worker) and the American Community Survey (Self-Employed and Extended Proprietors). Occupational wage estimates are also affected by county-level Emsi earnings by industry.

Staffing Patterns Data

The staffing pattern data in this report are compiled from several sources using a specialized process. For QCEW and Non-QCEW Employees classes of worker, sources include Occupational Employment Statistics, the National Industry-Occupation Employment Matrix, and the American Community Survey. For the Self-Employed and Extended Proprietors classes of worker, the primary source is the American Community Survey, with a small amount of information from Occupational Employment Statistics.

Cost of Living Data

Lightcast's cost of living data is based on the Cost of Living Index published by the Council for Community and Economic Research (C2ER).

Lightcast Job Postings

Job postings are collected from various sources and processed/enriched to provide information such as standardized company name, occupation, skills, and geography.

Institution Data

The institution data in this report is taken directly from the national IPEDS database published by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics.