

Table 1. Specialty trade contractors: employment, outlook, and wages

Employment, 2016 and projected 2026, and median annual wages, 2017, in selected occupations



Occupation	Employment, 2016	Employment, projected 2026	Median annual wage, 2017
Electricians	445,000	491,700	\$52,170
Plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters	312,300	372,900	51,730
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	219,600	262,500	45,550
Roofers	107,600	121,100	39,090
Sheet metal workers	86,000	96,200	49,550
Helpers--electricians	65,900	72,800	30,230
Brickmasons and blockmasons	55,100	61,800	48,960
Helpers--pipelayers, plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters	43,600	52,100	29,440
Glaziers	37,300	42,000	43,520
Tile and marble setters	29,800	33,600	42,160

Note: Occupations are not exclusive to this industry and may be employed in greater or fewer numbers in other construction subsectors.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Office of Occupational Statistics and Employment Projections. Wage data exclude self-employed workers.