



GULF COAST REGION

Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Cluster

Entry- Level Employee Wage	Experienced Employee Wage	Expected Number of Annual Job Openings
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Less Than High School

Service Unit Operators, Oil, Gas, & Mining (MT OJT)	\$32,348	\$60,513	590
Roustabouts, Oil & Gas (MT OJT)	\$25,325	\$41,129	520
Farmworkers & Laborers; Crop, Nursery, & Greenhouse (ST OJT)	\$16,987	\$21,161	475
Rotary Drill Operators, Oil & Gas (MT OJT)	\$37,816	\$109,834	240
Derrick Operators, Oil & Gas (ST OJT)	\$36,971	\$56,719	230
Parts Salespersons (MT OJT)	\$18,741	\$37,588	185
Nonfarm Animal Caretakers (ST OJT)	\$17,017	\$22,544	170
Farmworkers; Farm, Ranch, & Aquacultural Animals	\$18,460	\$38,538	150
Butchers & Meat Cutters (LT OJT)	\$17,242	\$30,371	130
Wellhead Pumpers (MT OJT) (Exp)	\$35,856	\$57,139	125
Pump Operators, Except Wellhead Pumpers (MT OJT)	\$30,633	\$63,415	105
Refuse & Recyclable Material Collectors (ST OJT)	\$19,692	\$32,923	55
Meat, Poultry, & Fish Cutters & Trimmers (ST OJT)	\$17,107	\$20,110	45

High School Diploma or Equivalent

First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (Exp)	\$27,990	\$53,750	1,290
Petroleum Pump System Operators, Refinery Operators, & Gaugers (LT OJT)	\$42,524	\$74,269	350
Farmers, Ranchers, & Other Agricultural Managers (Exp)	NA	NA	340
First-Line Supervisors of Landscaping, Lawn Service, & Groundskeeping Workers (Exp)	\$32,929	\$51,531	130
Helpers--Extraction Workers (MT OJT)	\$24,228	\$43,892	110
Pest Control Workers (MT OJT)	\$17,062	\$32,019	110
Tree Trimmers & Pruners (ST OJT)	\$0	\$0	105
Food Batchmakers (MT OJT)	\$17,233	\$21,880	70
Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant & System Operators (LT OJT)	\$25,498	\$45,556	60
Gas Plant Operators (LT OJT)	\$48,483	\$76,271	50
Veterinary Assistants & Laboratory Animal Caretakers	\$18,628	\$29,037	45
Farm Equipment Mechanics & Service Technicians (LT OJT)	\$25,698	\$50,393	40

Associate's Degree

Geological & Petroleum Technicians (MT OJT)	\$32,859	\$83,656	180
Veterinary Technologists & Technicians	\$21,220	\$32,142	120
Environmental Science & Protection Technicians, Inc. Health	\$27,178	\$68,774	50
Environmental Engineering Technicians	\$30,489	\$61,185	25
Agricultural & Food Science Technicians (MT OJT)	\$23,998	\$40,419	15

Bachelor's Degree

Environmental Engineers	\$56,807	\$137,461	55
Natural Sciences Managers (Exp)	\$84,753	\$197,489	20
Food Scientists & Technologists	\$42,933	\$77,903	20
Cartographers & Photogrammetrists	\$44,398	\$73,825	15
Soil & Plant Scientists	\$35,307	\$66,952	5
Zoologists & Wildlife Biologists	\$43,409	\$80,423	5
Agricultural Inspectors (MT OJT)	\$54,225	\$73,849	5

Doctoral or Professional Degree

Veterinarians	\$69,647	\$133,242	70
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(Exp) Experience required

(ST OJT) Short-term on-the-job training

(MT OJT) Moderate-term on-the-job training

(LT OJT) Long-term on-the-job training

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