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Comparing careers and income

Usually, people with higher levels of education enter careers that pay more money. People with less education tend to earn less money.

Education and income for five careers

Use this chart to answer the questions below.

Career	Description	Hourly wages	Annual income	Years of education after high school and degree
Architect	Plan and design buildings	\$38	\$79,380	4 years Bachelor's degree
Chef	Prepare and cook food	\$23	\$48,460	0
Lawyer	Advise people on legal issues	\$58	\$120,910	7 years Law degree
Nursing assistant	Provide health care	\$14	\$28,530	2 years Certification
Veterinarian	Care for animals	\$45	\$98,830	8 years Doctor of veterinary medicine

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Note: Median wages and income are from 2018.

1. A chef worked 30 hours last week. How much money did the chef earn in hourly wages?

\$

2. How much would a veterinarian make after working half of a year?

\$



3. If a veterinarian and an architect got married, how much would their combined annual income be?
\$
4. What's the difference in annual pay between a lawyer and a nursing assistant?
\$
5. An architect finished a project that took 200 hours. How much would the architect get paid in hourly wages?
\$
Digging deeper
6. What's the highest-paying career on the chart?
What level of education do you need for this career?
7. What's the lowest-paying career on the chart?
What level of education do you need for this career?

Reflection question

Would you choose a career that requires many years of education? Why or why not?