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Personal and home care aides-

Median hourly wages of wage-and-salary personal and home care aides were \$9.22 in May 2008. The middle 50 percent earned between \$7.81 and \$10.98 an hour. The lowest 10 percent earned less than \$6.84, and the highest 10 percent earned more than \$12.33 an hour. Median hourly wages in the industries employing the largest numbers of personal and home care aides were as follows:

Individual and family services	\$9.77
Employment services	9.76
Residential mental retardation, mental health and substance abuse facilities	9.70
Vocational rehabilitation services	9.58
Home health care services	7.94

Median hourly wages of home health aides were \$9.84 in May 2008. The middle 50 percent earned between \$8.52 and \$11.69 an hour. The lowest 10 percent earned less than \$7.65, and the highest 10 percent earned more than \$13.93 an hour. Median hourly wages in the industries employing the largest numbers of home health aides in May 2008 were:

Nursing care facilities	\$10.20
Residential mental retardation, mental health and substance abuse facilities	10.02
Home health care services	9.70
Individual and family services	9.48
Community care facilities for the elderly	9.44

Aides receive slight pay increases with experience and added responsibility. Usually, they are paid only for the time worked in the home, not for travel time between jobs, and must pay for their travel costs from their earnings. Most employers hire only on-call hourly workers.

31-2011 Occupational Therapy Assistants

Assist occupational therapists in providing occupational therapy treatments and procedures. May, in accordance with State laws, assist in development of treatment plans, carry out routine

functions, direct activity programs, and document the progress of treatments. Generally requires formal training.

Average hourly wage \$24.66 per hour

Occupational Therapist Assistants

31-2012 Occupational Therapy Aides

Under close supervision of an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant, perform only delegated, selected, or routine tasks in specific situations. These duties include preparing patient and treatment room.

Average hourly wage \$14.95 hour

31-2022 Physical Therapist Aides

Under close supervision of a physical therapist or physical therapy assistant, perform only delegated, selected, or routine tasks in specific situations. These duties include preparing the patient and the treatment area.

Average hourly wage \$12.02 per hour

31-2021 Physical Therapist Assistants

Assist physical therapists in providing physical therapy treatments and procedures. May, in accordance with State laws, assist in the development of treatment plans, carry out routine functions, document the progress of treatment, and modify specific treatments in accordance with patient status and within the scope of treatment plans established by a physical therapist. Generally requires formal training.

Average hourly wage \$23.95 per hour

37-3011 Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers

Landscape or maintain grounds of property using hand or power tools or equipment. Workers typically perform a variety of tasks, which may include any combination of the following: sod laying, mowing, trimming, planting, watering, fertilizing, digging, raking, sprinkler installation,

and installation of mortarless segmental concrete masonry wall units. Excludes "Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse" (45-2092).

Average hourly wage \$12.23 hour

39-2021 Nonfarm Animal Caretakers

Feed, water, groom, bathe, exercise, or otherwise care for pets and other nonfarm animals, such as dogs, cats, ornamental fish or birds, zoo animals, and mice. Work in settings such as kennels, animal shelters, zoos, circuses, and aquariums. May keep records of feedings, treatments, and animals received or discharged. May clean, disinfect, and repair cages, pens, or fish tanks.

Excludes "Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory Animal Caretakers" (31-9096).

Average hourly wage \$10.61

53-3041 Taxi Drivers and Chauffeurs

Drive automobiles, vans, or limousines to transport passengers. May occasionally carry cargo.

Includes hearse drivers. Excludes "Ambulance Drivers and Attendants, Except Emergency Medical Technicians" (53-3011) and "Bus Drivers" (53-3020).

Average hourly wage \$11.82

39-7011 Tour Guides and Escorts

Escort individuals or groups on sightseeing tours or through places of interest, such as industrial establishments, public buildings, and art galleries.

Average hourly wage \$12.54

39-9031 Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors

Instruct or coach groups or individuals in exercise activities. Demonstrate techniques and form, observe participants, and explain to them corrective measures necessary to improve their skills.

Excludes teachers classified in 25-0000 Education, Training, and Library Occupations. Excludes "Coaches and Scouts" (27-2022) and "Athletic Trainers" (29-9091).

\$17.27

25-3021 Self-Enrichment Education Teachers

Teach or instruct courses other than those that normally lead to an occupational objective or degree. Courses may include self-improvement, nonvocational, and nonacademic subjects. Teaching may or may not take place in a traditional educational institution. Excludes "Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors" (39-9031). Flight instructors are included with "Aircraft Pilots and Flight Engineers" (53-2010).

\$19.81

37-2012 Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners

Perform any combination of light cleaning duties to maintain private households or commercial establishments, such as hotels and hospitals, in a clean and orderly manner. Duties may include making beds, replenishing linens, cleaning rooms and halls, and vacuuming

\$10.17

31-1012 Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants*

* This occupation has the same title, but not necessarily the same content, as the 2010 SOC occupation

Provide basic patient care under direction of nursing staff. Perform duties, such as feed, bathe, dress, groom, or move patients, or change linens. Exclude "Home Health Aides" (31-1011) and "Psychiatric Aides" (31-1013).

\$12.09 hour

35-2021 Food Preparation Workers

Perform a variety of food preparation duties other than cooking, such as preparing cold foods and shellfish, slicing meat, and brewing coffee or tea.

\$9.93

39-9032 Recreation Workers

Conduct recreation activities with groups in public, private, or volunteer agencies or recreation facilities. Organize and promote activities, such as arts and crafts, sports, games, music, dramatics, social recreation, camping, and hobbies, taking into account the needs and interests of individual members.

\$12.15

29-1125 Recreational Therapists

Plan, direct, or coordinate medically-approved recreation programs for patients in hospitals, nursing homes, or other institutions. Activities include sports, trips, dramatics, social activities, and arts and crafts. May assess a patient condition and recommend appropriate recreational activity. Excludes "Recreation Workers" (39-9032).

\$19.92