KENTUCKY’S CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY
Construction Career Pathway

DESIGN & PRE-CONSTRUCTION

Architectural & Engineering Managers
- Average Annual Earnings: $117,452
- Five-Year Openings: 810 *
- Work Experience Required: 5 years or more
- On-the-Job Training: None
- Minimum Education Required: Bachelor’s Degree

Architects
- Average Annual Earnings: $67,214
- Five-Year Openings: 274 *
- Work Experience Required: 5 years or more
- On-the-Job Training: Internship
- Minimum Education Required: Bachelor’s Degree

Landscape Architects
- Average Annual Earnings: $63,774
- Five-Year Openings: 49 *
- Work Experience Required: 3 years or more
- On-the-Job Training: Moderate-term
- Minimum Education Required: Bachelor’s Degree

Civil Engineers **
- Average Annual Earnings: $77,230
- Five-Year Openings: 596 *
- Work Experience Required: 3 years or more
- On-the-Job Training: None
- Minimum Education Required: Associate’s or Bachelor’s Degree

Surveyors
- Average Annual Earnings: $51,187
- Five-Year Openings: 161 *
- Work Experience Required: Less than 5 years
- On-the-Job Training: None
- Minimum Education Required: Bachelor’s Degree

Cost Estimators
- Average Annual Earnings: $61,283
- Five-Year Openings: 408 *
- Work Experience Required: None
- On-the-Job Training: None
- Minimum Education Required: Bachelor’s Degree

Civil Engineering Technicians
- Average Annual Earnings: $49,398
- Five-Year Openings: 233 *
- Work Experience Required: None
- On-the-Job Training: None
- Minimum Education Required: Associate’s Degree

Architectural & Civil Drafters
- Average Annual Earnings: $49,083
- Five-Year Openings: 54 *
- Work Experience Required: None
- On-the-Job Training: None
- Minimum Education Required: Associate’s Degree

Surveying & Mapping Technicians
- Average Annual Earnings: $30,918
- Five-Year Openings: 60 *
- Work Experience Required: None
- On-the-Job Training: Moderate-term
- Minimum Education Required: High School Diploma/GED

* Some occupations cross multiple industries. Five-Year Openings projections provided here are cross-industry, not industry-specific.

** Multiple occupations in addition to Civil Engineers are involved in the overall engineering occupational category.

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