

Business

- Over the last year, jobs within the financial sector have seen significant growth. Due in part to Kansas City's strong financial services sector and expanding industries.
- Top business skills for 2025 include: **AI literacy, critical thinking, data analysis & interpretation, and adaptability/resiliency.**

Arts & Communication

- Creative and marketing occupations, specifically those involving digital platforms, are in demand for 2025. Employers in the KC area are hiring for: Media/Social Media Specialists, Public Relations Specialists, and Strategic Communications/Marketing Managers.

Human Services

- Top educational jobs in the KC area include: teaching assistants, preschool teachers, postsecondary teachers, and SPED teachers.
- KC recently approved a 7% budget increase for public safety, allowing the city to ramp up hiring efforts and strategic initiatives within the police department.

Natural Resources & Agriculture

- Demand is increasing for those who can apply technology to improve agricultural systems and supply chains, specifically systems analysts and managers as well as farm equipment technicians.



Health Services

- Top medical professions with the highest vacancy rate in the KC metro include: **CT Technologist, Licensed Practical Nurse, MRI Technologist, Surgical Tech, Physician Assistant, and Respiratory Therapist.**
- The Kansas City area is Missouri's second largest region for hospital employment, accounting for over 20% of the state's employment.

Technology

- As of Summer 2025, the top tech occupations in the KC region include: Data Scientists, Computer & Information Systems Managers, IT Project Managers, and Information Systems Analysts.
- In 2025, KC's cybersecurity job market is set to expand rapidly, seeing a growth rate 11 times faster than average with an **18% job increase projected by 2026.**

KC Metro Jobs: Fast Facts

- Nearly 650,000 visitors are expected in Kansas City for the FIFA World Cup in 2026, which will have a **projected economic impact of nearly \$650 million.**
- Fiserv, a financial technology company, is opening a campus in Overland Park. This hub is expected to bring nearly **2,000 new jobs to the KC metro area** and will begin its first opening phase in 2026.