

ESTIMATED & PROJECTED EMPLOYMENT

Occupational Title	2012 Estimated Employment	2022 Projected Employment	2012-22 Employment Change	Annual Growth Rate (%)	Total Annual Openings
Total, All Occupations	1,758,205	1,955,480	197,275	1.1	61,665
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, & Media Occupations	26,560	29,770	3,210	1.2	970
Writers & Authors	1,635	1,820	185	1.1	55

Source: <http://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/occupational-projections-0>

2015 WAGE & SALARY (\$)

Occupational Title	Average Wage	Average Salary	Entry Wage	Entry Salary	Experienced Wage	Experienced Salary
Total, All Occupations	19.77	41,122	9.55	19,858	24.88	51,755
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, & Media Occupations	18.07	37,591	8.90	18,507	22.66	47,133
Writers & Authors	22.31	46,395	12.57	26,151	27.17	56,517

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EDUCATION & TRAINING

Education	Work Experience	Job Training
Bachelor's Degree	None	Moderate-Term On-The-Job

A college degree generally is required for a position as a writer. Although some employers look for a broad liberal arts background, most prefer to hire people with degrees in communications, journalism, or English.

Source: <http://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/occupational-projections-0> and <https://secure.ihaveaplaniowa.gov/>

NATIONAL CAREER READINESS CERTIFICATE (NCRC)

Skill	Median Skill Level
Applied Mathematics	n.a.
Locating Information	n.a.
Reading for Information	n.a.

This ACT-developed credential demonstrates achievement and a certain level of workplace employability skills. The greater the score, the greater the skill level (Bronze = 3, Silver = 4, Gold = 5, Platinum = 6).

Source: <http://www.act.org/workkeys/analysis/occup.html>

PRIMARY INDUSTRY SECTORS

(Where are Writers Employed?)

Self Employed
Publishing
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services
Education
Religious, Grantmaking, Civic Organizations

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