2023

Information based on a survey of over **143 industries** who **employ 32,298 Tennesseans** in the midstate. With a **response rate of 23.7%**, the results of this survey provide a picture of the compensation structure in the region in the spring of 2023.*

MIDDLE TENNESSEE INDUSTRIAL WAGE & BENEFIT SURVEY NORTHERN MIDDLE REGION



AVERAGE TIME OFF Based on 40 hour work week (typical)





Many companies have graduated vacation days that change with employee's tenure at a given company.

31% of employers in the study area offer sick leave

Many companies do not offer sick leave and instead give employees a set amount of time off for illness, vacation, and so forth.

Offer **PTO** that **combines** vacation, sick leave and personal days

41%

Offer vacation, sick leave, personal day **separately**

59%

INSURANCE







47% offer Wellness Plan

88% offer Prescription Drug

Who pays?



EMPLOYEE ONLY (Cost to insure annually)

	HEALTH	DENTAL	VISION
EMPLOYEE share	\$1,596	\$192	\$72
EMPLOYER share	\$6,288	\$156	\$72

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DEPENDENTS (Cost to insure)

When dependents become part of the benefit plan, **individual cost for health insurance increases** to \$6,012, dental increases to \$708, and vision increases to \$228. Similarly, the cost to employers of insuring dependents increases significantly for health (\$13,548), dental (\$624), and vision (\$84).



RETIREMENT & OTHER BENEFITS

85% offer 401(k) Plans

82% offer career development 56% offer tuition payment

Overall, total employee benefits equal 23% of wages and salaries.

Adjustments Post COVID

Workweek Adjustments

35%

Scheduling Adjustments

42%

Allow Hybrid & Remote Work

33%

Health Benefits Implemented: COVID time off, COVID tests, and onsite COVID vaccinations

Pay Practices Implemented:

Overtime, sign on bonus, retention incentive, merit pay, hazard pay, home office funding



Select Occupation Details	Minimum Education	Average Minimum	Annualized Unweighted
TITLE	Level	Hourly	Average
General and Operations Managers	Bachelor's Degree	\$52.80	\$128,663
Financial Managers	Bachelor's Degree	\$43.92	\$119,113
Industrial Production Manager	Bachelor's Degree	\$38.96	\$100,090
Purchasing Manager	Bachelor's Degree	\$35.64	\$91,736
Human Resource Managers	Bachelor's Degree	\$41.58	\$102,335
Buyers and Purchasing Agents	Voc/Assoc Degree	\$28.08	\$67,690
	Bachelor's Degree		
Human Resource Specialists	Bachelor's Degree	\$25.21	\$64,504
Accountants and Auditors	Bachelor's Degree	\$29.23	\$72,323
Network and Computer Systems Administrators	Bachelor's Degree	\$32.60	\$78,206
Industrial Engineers	Bachelor's Degree	\$32.77	\$88,885
Mechanical Engineers	Bachelor's Degree	\$36.32	\$89,061
Occupational Health and Safety Specialists	Bachelor's Degree	\$31.27	\$74,059
Supervisors of Building and Maintenance Workers	High School or Less	\$26.18	\$67,230
Customer Service Representatives	High School or Less	\$20.24	\$50,768
Production, Planning and Expediting Clerks	High School or Less	\$24.32	\$58,204
Shipping, Receiving, and Inventory Clerks	High School or Less	\$19.02	\$46,913
Electricians	Bachelor's Degree	\$28.50	\$72,193
Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers	Bachelor's Degree	\$34.10	\$84,279
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	Bachelor's Degree	\$24.22	\$57,785
Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	High School or Less	\$27.34	\$66,900
Miscellaneous Assemblers and Fabricators	High School or Less	\$17.05	\$41,063
Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Operators	High School or Less	\$17.48	\$43,039
Machinists	High School or Less	\$22.60	\$54,731
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	High School or Less	\$18.94	\$44,417
Production Workers, All Other	High School or Less	\$17.67	\$43,227
Supervisors of Transportation and Material Moving Workers	High School or Less	\$26.27	\$64,434
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	High School or Less	\$17.84	\$40,959
Material Moving Workers, All Other	High School or Less	\$17.74	\$40,946

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Middle TN Industrial Development Association
Tennessee Valley Authority
Northern Middle Tennessee Workforce Board
Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce
Creater Nashville Regional Council
South Central Tennessee Development District
Upper Cumberland Development District

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The Highlands Economic Partnership
Tennessee Chamber of Commerce & Industry

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