



New Jersey Out of Reach 2021

Of the 30 largest occupations in New Jersey, 21 pay median wages less than the two-bedroom housing wage:

Occupation	Total Employment	Jobs per 1000 jobs	Median Hourly Wage
Fast Food and Counter Workers	61,190	16.18	\$11.90
Food Preparation Workers	34,750	9.19	\$12.25
Cashiers	84,180	22.25	\$12.26
Waiters and Waitresses	44,840	11.86	\$12.54
Home Health Aides	56,630	14.97	\$13.09
Retail Salespersons	98,690	26.10	\$13.25
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	61,420	16.24	\$13.96
Teacher Assistants	53,940	14.26	\$14.46
Laborers and material movers	114,920	30.38	\$14.66
Janitors and cleaners	59,830	15.82	\$15.35
Security Guards	37,970	10.04	\$15.37
Nursing Assistants	44,560	11.78	\$15.82
Packers and Packagers	57,170	15.11	\$16.60
Receptionists and Information Clerks	51,270	13.56	\$16.66
Office Clerks	59,900	15.84	\$17.13
Customer Service Representatives	64,900	17.16	\$19.86
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	57,080	15.09	\$21.75
General Maintenance and Repair Workers	29,070	7.69	\$22.74
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	39,140	10.35	\$23.71
All Occupations	3,782,730	1000.000	\$23.73
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	48,510	12.82	\$25.47
Office and Admin Support Supervisors	38,740	10.24	\$31.56
Two-Bedroom Housing Wage			\$31.96
Elementary School Teachers	37,870	10.01	\$34.97
Sales Reps, Wholesale and Manufacturing	36,840	9.74	\$36.35
Other Sales Reps for Services	33,790	8.93	\$35.95
Secondary school Teachers	29,860	7.89	\$38.36
Business Operations Specialists	53,000	14.01	\$40.91
Registered Nurses	78,590	20.78	\$41.91
Accountants and Auditors	39,060	10.33	\$43.58
Software Developers, Applications	49,070	12.97	\$53.62
General and Operations Managers	44,500	11.76	\$71.63

Source: National Low Income Housing Coalition, based on U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) wage data from May 2020, <https://www.bls.gov/oes/>.

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