

# Computer Programmer

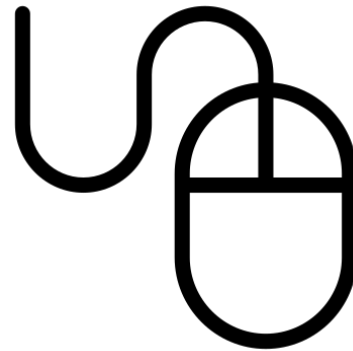
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## Introduction

Computer programmers write and test code that allows computer applications and software programs to function properly. They usually work in offices, most commonly in the computer systems design and related services industries.

## Description

Employment of computer programmers is projected to decline 10 percent from 2020 to 2030. Despite this, about 9,700 openings for computer programmers are projected each year, on average, over the decade. All of those openings are expected to result from the need to replace workers who transfer to other occupations or exit the labor force, such as to retire.



## Prerequisites

Most computer programmers need to have a bachelor's degree before being able to apply for a job; however, some employers hire programmers with an associate's degree. Most programmers will also need to specialize in a few programming languages. Most app developers and web developers carry a similar set of skills as computer programmers, so being capable in one field will usually allow you to transition to the others easily.

## Salary

Computer programmers typically make around \$89,190 per year, or \$42.88 per hour.