

Career Data for the Mental Health Professions
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Most Recent Salary Data Across the Major Non-Medical Mental Health Professions

	Median Salary (2007 data)		
	National	Oklahoma	Texas
Mental Health Counselor	\$36,000	\$36,800	\$35,900
School Counselor	\$49,450	\$38,300	\$51,800
Clinical Psychologist	\$62,210	\$46,600	\$53,100
Marriage and Family Therapist	\$43,600	\$38,200	\$33,200
Clinical Social Worker	\$36,640	\$32,500	\$31,000

Definitions, Wage, and Employment Trends

21-1014.00 - Mental Health Counselors:

Counsel with emphasis on prevention. Work with individuals and groups to promote optimum mental health. May help individuals deal with addictions and substance abuse; family, parenting, and marital problems; suicide; stress management; problems with self-esteem; and issues associated with aging and mental and emotional health.

Sample of reported job titles: Correctional Counselor, Counselor, Case Manager, Therapist, Corrections Caseworker, Mental Health Therapist, Clinical Supervisor, Correctional Care and Treatment Worker, Correctional Caseworker, Employee Assistance Program Counselor (EAP Counselor)

Median wages (2007) \$17.31 hourly, \$36,000 annual
 Employment (2006) 100,000 employees
 Projected growth (2006-2016) Much faster than average (21% or higher)
 Projected need (2006-2016) 50,000 additional employees

21-1012.00 - Educational, Vocational, and School Counselors:

Counsel individuals and provide group educational and vocational guidance services.

Sample of reported job titles: Counselor, Guidance Counselor, School Counselor, Academic Advisor, Career Counselor, Career Services Director, College Counselor, Advisor, Academic Counselor, Career Center Director

Median wages (2007) \$23.77 hourly, \$49,450 annual
 Employment (2006) 260,000 employees
 Projected growth (2006-2016) Average (7% to 13%)
 Projected need (2006-2016) 84,000 additional employees

19-3031.02 - Clinical Psychologists:

Diagnose or evaluate mental and emotional disorders of individuals through observation, interview, and psychological tests, and formulate and administer programs of treatment.

Sample of reported job titles: Psychologist, Clinical Psychologist, Forensic Psychologist, Child Psychologist, Clinical Therapist, Out-Patient Therapist, Pediatric Psychologist, Behavioral Psychologist, Eating Disorder Specialist, Neuropsychologist

Median wages (2007) \$29.91 hourly, \$62,210 annual
Employment (2006) 152,000 employees
Projected growth (2006-2016) Faster than average (14% to 20%)
Projected need (2006-2016) 47,000 additional employees

21-1013.00 - Marriage and Family Therapists:

Diagnose and treat mental and emotional disorders, whether cognitive, affective, or behavioral, within the context of marriage and family systems. Apply psychotherapeutic and family systems theories and techniques in the delivery of professional services to individuals, couples, and families for the purpose of treating such diagnosed nervous and mental disorders.

Sample of reported job titles: Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT), Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT), Therapist, Psychotherapist, Clinical Services Director, Clinician, Family Therapist, Psychiatric Social Worker, Clinical Therapist, Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW)

Median wages (2007) \$20.96 hourly, \$43,600 annual
Employment (2006) 25,000 employees
Projected growth (2006-2016) Much faster than average (21% or higher)
Projected need (2006-2016) 12,000 additional employees

21-1023.00 - Mental Health and Substance Abuse Social Workers:

Assess and treat individuals with mental, emotional, or substance abuse problems, including abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and/or other drugs. Activities may include individual and group therapy, crisis intervention, case management, client advocacy, prevention, and education

Sample of reported job titles: Social Worker, Case Manager, Clinical Therapist, Mental Health Therapist, Psychotherapist, Clinical Social Worker, Community Support Worker, Counselor, Probation Agent, Probation Officer

Median wages (2007) \$17.62 hourly, \$36,640 annual
Employment (2006) 122,000 employees
Projected growth (2006-2016) Much faster than average (21% or higher)
Projected need (2006-2016) 62,000 additional employees