# Hydrologist

### **Subcategories/Related Careers**

Groundwater Hydrologist, Surface water Hydrologist, River Keeper, Hydrographic Surveyor

## **Job Description**

- Measure properties of bodies of water
- Collect samples to test for relevant properties
- Evaluate success of water-related projects
- Perform a combination of field and lab work in order to obtain results

#### Degree

- Requires a Bachelor's in physical science (geology, environmental science, etc.)
- Some employers require a master's degree
- Hydrology researchers or postsecondary teachers typically need a Ph.D.

### **Helpful Skills**

Data analysis, interpersonal skills, GIS





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**U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics** 

Pay Range	Median Pay	Outlook
\$51,120 to \$135,170	\$84,030	600 openings/yr, limited growth

#### Jobs

- Consulting, Federal, State, and local Governments
- Higher pay in private sector





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