North Dakota

Who has the good jobs? BA vs. non-BA

41%

62,000 workers with good jobs have at least a BA

BA   non-BA

59%

90,000 workers without a BA have good jobs

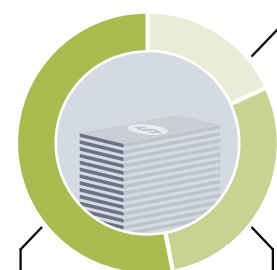## How big is the non-BA workforce?

46%
of non-BA workers have a good job

67%
of all workers do not have a BA
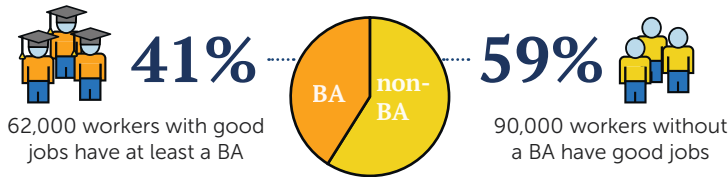
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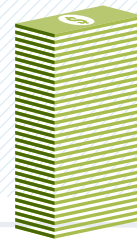
Median earnings of non-BA workers with good jobs in 2015

Earnings distribution of non-BA good jobs

18% earn between **$35,000 and $45,000**

53%
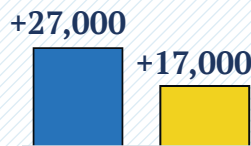earn **$55,000 or higher**

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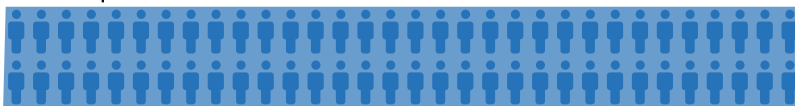earn between **$45,000 and $55,000**

Change in number of non-BA good jobs 1991-2015

Between 1991 and 2015 North Dakota gained **27,000 blue-collar** non-BA good jobs, and **17,000 skilled-services** good jobs for workers without BAs.

+27,000

+17,000

Non-BA good jobs in blue-collar vs. skilled-services industries

64% 58,000 workers are employed in **blue-collar** industries

32,000 workers are employed in **skilled-services** industries **36%**

Jobs by educational attainment

Educational attainment	Number of workers	Workers with good jobs	Median earnings	Median earnings of workers with good jobs
Non-BA Workers				
Less than high school	9,000	4,000	$32,000	$56,000
High school graduate	66,000	27,000	$35,000	$56,000
Some college	71,000	32,000	$36,000	$60,000
Associate's degree	49,000	27,000	$41,000	$56,000
All non-BA workers	**196,000**	**90,000**	**$36,000**	**$57,000**
BA+ Workers				
Bachelor's or higher	97,000	62,000	$47,000	$62,000
All workers	**293,000**	**152,000**	**$40,000**	**$60,000**

NON-BA GOOD JOBS

Top five industries

Industry	Number of non-BA good jobs	Share of non-BA good jobs	Share of non-BA workers with good jobs	Median earnings
Construction	13,000	14%	64%	$56,000
Natural resources	12,000	13%	67%	$80,000
Transportation and utilities	11,000	12%	72%	$67,000
Manufacturing	9,000	10%	56%	$51,000
Retail trade	8,000	9%	32%	$57,000

Top five occupations

Occupation	Number of non-BA good jobs	Share of non-BA good jobs	Share of non-BA workers with good jobs	Median earnings
Construction and extraction	13,000	15%	69%	$61,000
Management	12,000	13%	67%	$70,000
Transportation and material moving	11,000	12%	55%	$62,000
Office and administrative support	10,000	11%	32%	$48,000
Production	9,000	10%	58%	$54,000

Source: Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce analysis of Bureau of the Census, *American Community Survey* microdata 2013-2015.
Note: Figures in charts and tables may not sum due to rounding.