



Accountants and auditors

Examine, analyze, and interpret accounting records to prepare financial statements, give advice, or audit and evaluate statements prepared by others. Install or advise on systems of recording costs or other financial and budgetary data.

Cognitive and mental requirements

The qualifications that workers need to use judgment, make decisions, interact with others, and adapt to changes in jobs.

In 2023, more than basic people skills were required for 95.2 percent of accountants and auditors, and basic people skills were required for 4.8 percent.

Table 1. Percentage of accountants and auditors with cognitive and mental requirements, 2023

| Requirement | Yes | No |
|--|-------|-------|
| Pace: Pause control | >99.5 | <0.5 |
| Interaction with general public | 79.2 | 20.8 |
| Working around crowds | <0.5 | >99.5 |
| Telework | 51.1 | 48.9 |
| Work review: Supervising others | 17.5 | 82.5 |
| Work review: Presence of supervisor | 71.1 | 28.9 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey

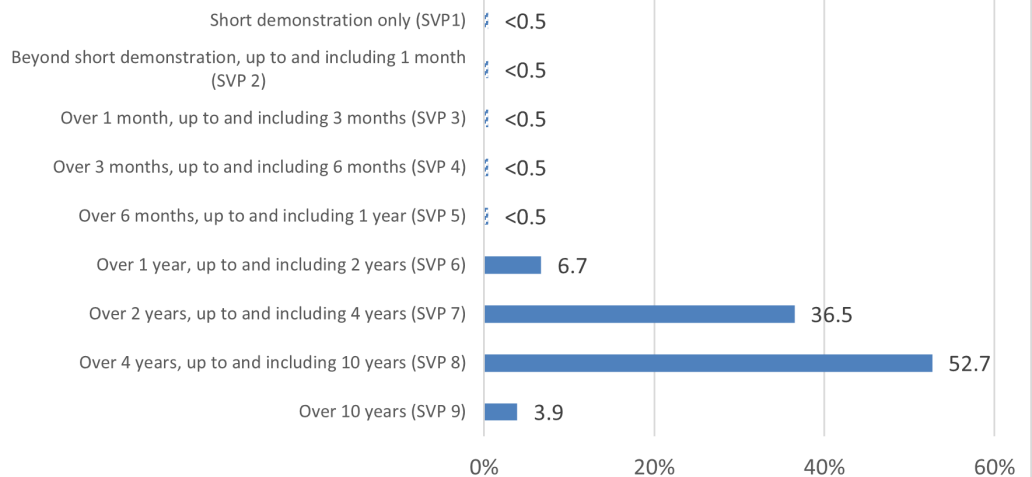
Education, training, and experience requirements

The minimum level of formal education required, credentials necessary, on-the-job training, and prior work experience necessary for average performance in jobs.

In 2023, credentials were required for 29.4 percent of accountants and auditors. Prior work experience was required for 75.9 percent and on-the-job training was required for 70.4 percent.

A bachelor's degree was required for 93.1 percent of accountants and auditors.

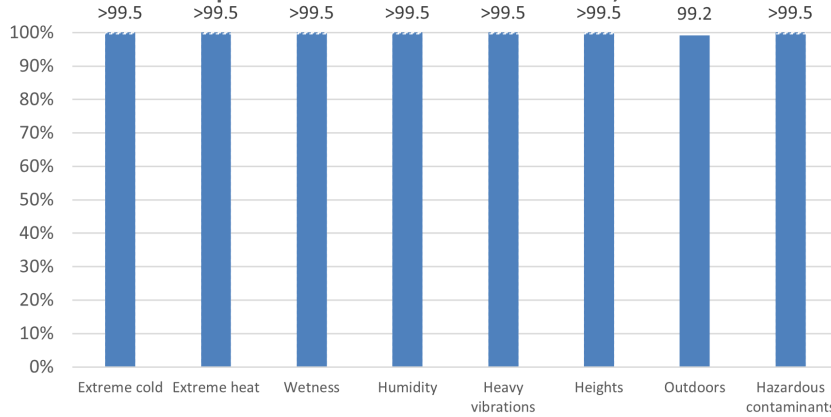
Chart 1. Percentage of accountants and auditors by specific preparation time (SVP) level, 2023



Note: Striped bars represent range estimates where precise value is unpublished.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey

Chart 2. Percentage of accountants and auditors without exposure to environmental conditions, 2023



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Environmental conditions

The various tangible or concrete hazards or difficulties that are in the vicinity of where jobs' critical tasks are performed.

In 2023, greater than 99.5 percent of accountants and auditors were not exposed to extreme cold, and greater than 99.5 percent were not exposed to extreme heat. Wetness was not present for greater than 99.5 percent, greater than 99.5 percent were not exposed to heavy vibrations, and 99.2 percent were not exposed to the outdoors.

Physical demands

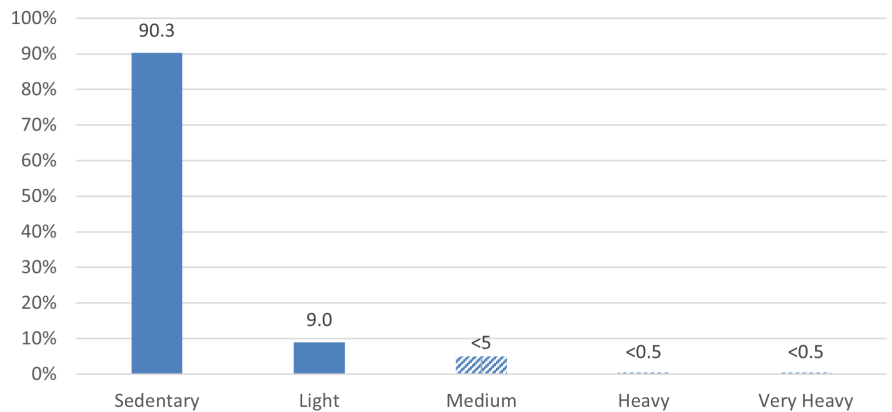
Refer to the physical activities required to perform tasks in jobs. The presence and, in some cases, duration of these activities are published.

In 2023, keyboarding was required for greater than 99.5 percent of accountants and auditors and was not required for less than 0.5 percent. For less than 0.5 percent of workers, keyboarding was seldom performed, for 13.4 percent keyboarding occurred occasionally, 80.2 percent frequently, and for 6.4 percent keyboarding occurred constantly.

Performing work in low postures was required for 11.0 percent of accountants and auditors and was not required for 89.0 percent.

The choice to sit or stand when performing critical tasks was available to greater than 99.5 percent of accountants and auditors. On average, workers spent 91.8 percent of the workday sitting and 8.2 percent of the workday standing.

Chart 3. Percentage of accountants and auditors by strength level requirements, 2023



Note: Striped bars represent range estimates where precise value is unpublished.
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey

Table 2. Percentage of accountants and auditors with physical demands, 2023

| Requirement | Yes | No |
|--|-------|------|
| Choice of sitting or standing | >99.5 | <0.5 |
| Driving | 14.7 | 85.3 |
| Climbing structure-related ramps or stairs | 8.4 | 91.6 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey