



Would you make a good **Scientist?**

What Scientists Do



Scientists use research and experiments to learn more about the natural world and our universe. Scientists must be highly educated in math and science, as well as possessing excellent research skills. Additionally, scientists must be effective communicators and creative problem solvers. Scientists typically focus their attention in a specific area or subject and work in every field imaginable.



Education

Bachelor's degree, Master's degree or Doctorate. Depending on area of work, some licenses, certifications and registrations may be required.



EXPECTED SALARY RANGE

\$39,000 - \$117,000

(median pay \$64,000)

Skill Builders:

CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS
ANALYTICAL SKILLS
MATH SKILLS
COMMUNICATION SKILLS
COMPUTER SKILLS
OBSERVATION SKILLS

Job Outlook

Employment of scientists is expected to grow 3 to 15 percent through 2026. Scientists will continue to be in demand in scientific research and development (R&D) and to monitor the quality of products and processes. Demand will increase with climate change, clean energy, sustainability, and R&D.



Get a Head Start...with these classes in middle and high school:

- **SCIENCE**
- **BIOLOGY**

- **CHEMISTRY**
- **PHYSICS**

- **MATHEMATICS**
- **COMPUTER SCIENCE**

Career Opportunities:

The following industries employ Scientists:
Agriculture, Bioscience, Biochemistry, Computer and Information,
Conservation, Environmental, Food, Medical, Pharmaceutical, Veterinary.

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<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/life-physical-and-social-science/agricultural-and-food-scientists>.

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