

CULINARY & FOOD SCIENCE CAREERS

Culinary and food science careers allow individuals to work in diverse environments on different projects.⁵



Job Outlook⁴

Excellent

Food Marketing and Sales

Food marketers and sellers need to understand the products they work with and the impacts of the items being sold. These positions focus on building and maintaining a company's brand, sales tactics and customer satisfaction.¹



- Average salary: \$63,790⁴ (Market Research Analysis)

Great

Nutritionist

Nutritionists analyze how food can help us, the process of food within people, and ways to enhance foods to make clients healthier and happier. By giving personal dietary recommendations and interpreting the elements in foods, they assist many people.²



- Average salary: \$61,270⁴

Good

Food Chemistry

Jobs in this category are mainly science-based; food development, improvement and analysis are a few examples. Problem-solving is also a large aspect as foods are combined, created, and studied.¹



- Average salary: \$41,230⁴ (Food Science Technician)

Fair

Chef or Head Cook

Chefs and head cooks work well in busy, fast-paced environments. They are consistently learning additional skills from others in the food industry and demonstrate passion for their job through their work.²



- Average salary: \$51,530⁴

Food Quality and Microbiology

The multiple careers included in food quality and microbiology focus on the safety, availability, and reliability of food as the population grows. Soft skills expected in these roles include logic, organization, and strategy.¹



- Average salary: \$39,140⁴ (Quality Control Inspectors)

Poor



Graduates entering these fields can expect a median salary starting at¹

\$50,000

7%

overall job growth in the culinary and food science industry.³

1. <https://www.ift.org/career-development/learn-about-food-science/careers-in-food-science>

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4. <https://www.bls.gov/>

5. <https://www.indeed.com/career-advice/finding-a-job/food-science-degree-jobs>