

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN CAREERS

Emergency medical technicians (EMTs) and related professionals assist and administer emergency care. They assess the situation and the patient's needs and provide the treatment and transportation to assist all involved.⁴

Skills that can help EMT professionals succeed:⁴

Critical Thinking

Compassion

Communication

Problem-Solving

Job Outlook²

Excellent

Paramedic

Paramedics perform all of the duties of EMTs, Emergency Medical Responders (EMRs) and Advanced EMTs, but are trained and authorized to provide invasive and pharmacological care. Multi-tasking is key; paramedics must often communicate with other medical professionals while navigating to incidents and caring for patients. Paramedics' training includes education, training and certification, and may even include an associate degree.⁴

- Average salary: Ranges from \$35,400 to \$59,860¹



Great

Emergency Medical Technician

EMRs are trained to provide immediate lifesaving care. EMTs do everything EMRs do, plus conduct basic, noninvasive interventions. Advanced EMTs do everything EMRs and EMTs do, plus conduct limited advanced and pharmacological interventions.³

- Average salary: \$35,400¹



Good

Emergency Dispatcher

Emergency dispatchers play critical roles in saving lives. They handle 911 emergency calls and distribute work outcomes to the right people. In this job position, it is beneficial to be skilled at gathering information in a speedy and timely manner to help the person on the other side of the call receive the assistance they need.²

- Average salary: \$ 41,000²



Fair

Firefighter

Firefighters are responsible for many vital public services that help keep citizens safe, like providing aid during natural disasters and managing fires. EMT certification is required, while an associate's or bachelor's degree can help lead to advancement. Soft skills like communication and teamwork are vital.⁵

- Average salary: \$47,500⁴



Poor

The median annual wage for EMTs and beginner paramedics is¹ **\$35,400**

7%

overall job growth for EMT professionals as natural disasters continue and the world's population grows⁴

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