

Earnings of New Brunswickers by level of education

This report presents the earnings of New Brunswick men and women aged 25 to 64 with different levels of education. The median employment income reported refers to full-year, full-time workers (minimum 30 hours per week and 49 weeks per year) with employment income in 2015.

- Employment income increases with education level. New Brunswickers with a university certificate, diploma or degree had the highest median employment incomes compared to people with lower levels of educational attainment.
- Men continue to experience stronger earnings than their female counterparts. Overall, men’s median income in 2015 was 27% higher than women’s, at \$54,046 compared to \$42,443.
- Men with a college diploma had solid earnings in 2015. With median employment income of \$56,512, they earned 7% more than men with an apprenticeship or trades certificate (\$52,789) and 26% more than men with a high school diploma (\$44,927). However, their earnings were 27% lower than university-educated men with at least a bachelor’s degree (\$77,171).
- Women with a bachelor’s degree or above earned considerably more than women with a college, high school or trades education. With median employment income of \$68,428 in 2015, they earned 69% more than women with a college diploma (\$40,489), almost twice as much as women with a high school diploma (\$34,800), and more than twice as much as women with an apprenticeship or trades certificate (\$29,767).

