

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

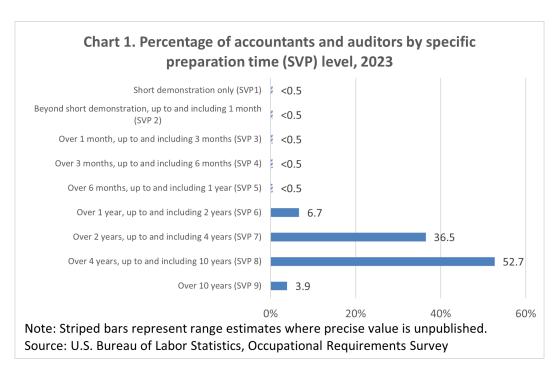
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Requirement	Yes	No
Pace: Pause control	>99.5	<0.5
Interaction with general public	79.2	20.8
Working around crowds	<0.5	>99.5
Telework	51.1	48.9
Work review: Supervising others	17.5	82.5
Work review: Presence of supervisor	71.1	28.9
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey		

Education, training, and experience requirements

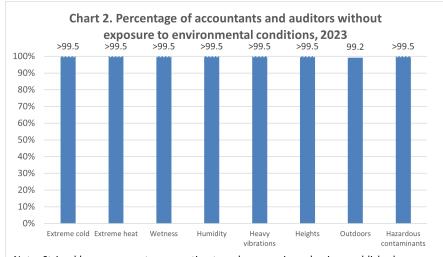
The minimum level of formal education required, credentials necessary, onthe-job training, and prior work experience necessary for average performance in jobs.

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.







Note: Striped bars represent range estimates where precise value is unpublished.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

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.

Chart 3. Percentage of accountants and auditors by strength level requirements, 2023 100% 90.3 90% 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 9.0 10% <5 <0.5 <0.5 MININ Light Very Heavy Sedentary Medium Heavy

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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.

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		