



Hydrologic Technicians

**NEXT
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What Is It?

Collect and organize data concerning the distribution and circulation of ground and surface water, and data on its physical, chemical, and biological properties. Measure and report on flow rates and ground water levels, maintain field equipment, collect water samples, install and collect sampling equipment, and process samples for shipment to testing laboratories. May collect data on behalf of hydrologists, engineers, developers, government agencies, or agriculture.

What Do They Typically Do?

- Analyze ecological data about the impact of pollution, erosion, floods, and other environmental problems on bodies of water.
- Answer technical questions from hydrologists, policymakers, or other customers developing water conservation plans.
- Apply research findings to minimize the environmental impacts of pollution, waterborne diseases, erosion, or sedimentation.

Annual Income:

- Entry Level: \$42,920
- Typical: \$60,690
- Experienced: \$108,580

Major Employers:

Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services, Government

What do I do next?

Learn about the job culture:

- Schedule at least one informational interview
- Conduct a job shadow, if possible
- Research available volunteer or intern opportunities

Prepare for training:

- Visit and call trade schools or colleges that offer a related program
- Research regional job openings at: idahoworks.gov

Explore all pathways to certification:

labor.idaho.gov/jobscape

Talk to your school counselor or advisor for more information

Get started today!

Ask about the career & technical programs at your school or nearby technical college.

Check out Idaho Digital Learning Academy for online opportunities: idahodigitallearning.org

For tips, tools, and resources to learn how your skills and interests can translate to a rewarding career, visit the Next Steps Idaho website.

www.NextSteps.Idaho.gov



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