

Three-Career Comparison and Budget Portfolio



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DATE _____

PERIOD _____

1. Choose One Evidence Basis and Record Career 1

Preferred: three Xello careers from one interest area using the same displayed geography and wage measure. Record the measure and access date for all three.

Fixed fallback -- May 2024 U.S. medians:

CAREER	U.S. MEDIAN	TYPICAL PREPARATION SUMMARY
Architects	\$96,690	Bachelor's typical; registration includes education, documented experience, and exam with jurisdiction differences
Civil Engineers	\$99,590	Bachelor's typical; licensure matters for some responsibilities and varies by role/state
Electricians	\$62,350	High-school diploma typical; most learn through apprenticeship; Texas license boundary

Chosen evidence basis: _____

CAREER 1

Career: _____ Salary evidence: _____

Source/date/geography/measure: _____

Preparation evidence: _____

Personal-fit evidence and one limitation:

Word bank: basis/base de comparación · measure/medida · preparation/preparación · limitation/limitación.

Sentence frame: For Career 1, [source] reports [salary measure] for [geography/date]. This evidence does not prove [limit].

2. Record Careers 2 and 3

CAREER 2

Career: _____ Salary evidence: _____

Source/date/geography/measure: _____

Preparation evidence: _____

Personal-fit evidence and one limitation:

CAREER 3

Career: _____ Salary evidence: _____

Source/date/geography/measure: _____

Preparation evidence: _____

Personal-fit evidence and one limitation:

Word bank: comparable/comparable · annual salary/salario anual · interest/interés · requirement/requisito.

Complete frame: Career _____ has _____ evidence, while Career _____ requires _____ . I still need to verify _____ .

3. Compare the Careers and Name the Tradeoff

Use one basis across all three careers.

CAREER	SALARY	PREPARATION	PERSONAL FIT	EVIDENCE LIMIT
1	\$			
2	\$			
3	\$			

My current recommendation: _____

Two exact evidence details supporting it:

1.

2.

One disadvantage, cost, or tradeoff in that choice:

Why this is a current preference and not proof of the objectively best career:

Word bank: recommend/recomendar · tradeoff/compensación · advantage/ventaja · disadvantage/desventaja · preference/preferencia.

Sentence frame: I currently recommend [career] because [evidence 1] and [evidence 2]. The tradeoff is [cost or disadvantage].

4. Run the Budget Screen, Revise, and Audit

Dallas County annual before-tax target: \$48,489

CAREER	ANNUAL SALARY ON MY CHOSEN BASIS	SALARY - TARGET
1	\$	\$
2	\$	\$
3	\$	\$

Show or check one subtraction:

This before-tax screen suggests:

It does **not** prove:

Revised monthly result from the fictional \$4,200 budget: \$ _____ surplus / shortage / even

One budget or source-label correction I made:

One limitation that still remains:

Word bank: before tax/antes de impuestos · screening comparison/comparación inicial · revise/revisar · remaining/restante.

Sentence frame: The salary-minus-target screen shows [result]. It does not prove [limit]. I revised [choice] because [evidence].