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# 2023 COMPENSATION & BENEFITS STUDY FOR CONTRACT GLAZING COMPANIES

#### A note from NGA:

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Dear Members,

We invite you to review the 2023 NGA Compensation & Benefits Study for Contract Glazing Companies. This new NGA resource, in partnership with Vault Consulting, provides data for your hiring and workforce management decisions.

This first-of-its-kind NGA study is being offered exclusively to NGA member companies as we commemorate and close out NGA's 75th anniversary celebration.

This 2023 study is the first step in a series of studies. As we undertake future research – and engage more stakeholders to participate – you can expect more granular data points by company region, employee size and revenue.

If your company contributed data for this research last year, thank you for your valuable input. For those contract glazing companies that did not participate, we ask that you "answer the call" to contribute to future studies to build more insightful reports.

We hope you will find the 2023 NGA Compensation & Benefits Study for Contract Glazing Companies Report useful in your next hiring decisions.

Thank you for your continued support of NGA.

Sincerely,

Nicole Harris

NGA President & CEO





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NGA Compensation & Benefits Study for Contract Glazing Companies

The National Glass Association (NGA) requested Vault Consulting, LLC to act as a confidential agent in compiling this 2023 Compensation & Benefits Study.

The survey was distributed to member contract glazing company contacts and achieved a 9% response rate. In the report that follows, data is presented in aggregate and by relevant segments. Compensation is reported by mean and median. Further definition of these terms can be found on pages 15 and 16.

Not all participants reported on every item; consequently, the number of companies responding when analyzed per sort may not equal the composite number. Additionally, in some cases, data was excluded where they unnecessarily skewed the results.

The source data used to compile the report was not audited by our firm. However, the submissions were reviewed for obvious clerical errors, missing data and outliers. Vault Consulting, LLC staff either contacted the participant regarding questionable items or removed the outliers from the dataset. Agreed upon edits to data were incorporated into the final database and report.

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**OBJECTIVE** 

The purpose of this study is to compile salary and compensation benchmarks for contract glazing companies to arm member companies with information to help them attract and retain employees. The job titles included in this study are divided into three general categories: Field Personnel, Shop Personnel and Office Personnel. The job titles are further segmented by annual salary vs. hourly roles.



## Participation

The 2023 Compensation & Benefits Study represents a range of companies across Revenue Size, Region and Number of full-time employees (FTE). Recorded responses come from each of the regions where the respondents' core employee base is located, the West recorded the most responses (29%), and the Southwest recorded the least (6%). Just under 60% of these companies have an annual revenue of less than \$10 Million. Very few (6%) have revenues in excess of \$50 Million.

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The most common company size by number of employees is 51-100 FTEs (26%). That said, most responses (61%) came from companies with 50 or fewer employees.

#### Region Annual revenue Total Full-time U.S. Employees (as of 1/1/2023) Northeast 16% Under 1 million 3% • 1-10 **19%** Southeast 23% 1-2 million 13% • 11-25 **19%** Midwest 26% 2-3 million 6% **26-50 23%** Southwest 6% 3-5 million 16% • 51-100 **26%** West 29% 5-10 million 19% • 101-250 **13%** 10-20 million 19% 20-50 million 16% 50-100 million 3% 100-500 million 3%



## Position Highlights

As the first Compensation & Benefits Study for contract glazing companies, these results are helpful in determining which roles are most prevalent for companies and whether they tend to be salaried or hourly.

#### **Field Personnel Roles**

Field Superintendent

Crew Lead

Glazier

Journeymen Glazier

Apprentice Glazier

Glazier Helper

For Field Personnel, the most prevalent salaried position is Field Superintendent. For all other Field Personnel, it is more common for positions to be paid hourly.

#### **Shop Personnel Roles**

Shop Manager

Production Planner

**CNC Machinists** 

Operations

Assembler

Fabricator

According to the participants, all Shop Personnel roles are more likely to be hourly than salaried. Shop Managers are more likely than other roles to be salaried, although it appears to still be less common than hourly pay. Very few participants report having either maintenance or inventory specialists on payroll in either salaried or hourly roles.

## Office Personnel Roles

General Manager

Logistics Manager

Inventory Manager

**Project Engineer** 

Project Manager

Construction Manager

**Estimators** 

Draftspeople

Most Office Personnel roles are more likely to be salaried than hourly, especially General Manager; while Logistics, Inventory and Construction Manager are least common.



## Compensation Highlights

Top 5: Highest Paying Salaried Roles	Annual Salary		Minimum Salary		Maximum Salary	
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean	Median
General Manager	119,589.38	109,500.00	114,600.00	100,000.00	124,937.50	109,500.00
Project Engineer	107,178.11	82,000.00	98,675.00	78,700.00	120,550.00	78,700.00
Field Superintendent	102,159.23	90,000.00	90,167.67	85,000.00	121,500.00	97,500.00
Project Manager	97,593.74	100,000.00	83,807.33	82,500.00	121,411.11	114,700.00
Estimators	95,553.94	91,200.00	87,902.94	85,000.00	103,600.00	92,700.00

Four of the five highest paying salaried roles are Office Personnel. Field Superintendent is also among the highest paying salaried roles.

Top 5: Highest Paying Hourly Roles	Hourly Rate		Minimum Hourly		Maximum Hourly	
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean	Median
Field Superintendent	37.66	36.00	32.55	30.00	35.19	32.00
Crew Lead	34.67	35.06	31.10	28.00	35.25	35.06
Draftspeople	32.24	30.20	29.84	28.00	35.04	30.20
Journeymen Glazier	31.72	29.00	28.38	25.36	31.19	31.00
Shop Manager	31.30	28.00	29.54	26.00	31.96	28.00

Across personnel types, the highest paying hourly positions are a mix of Field, Shop and Office Personnel and include Field Superintendent, Crew Lead, Draftspeople, Journeymen Glazier and Shop Manager.



## Benefits & Wage Increases

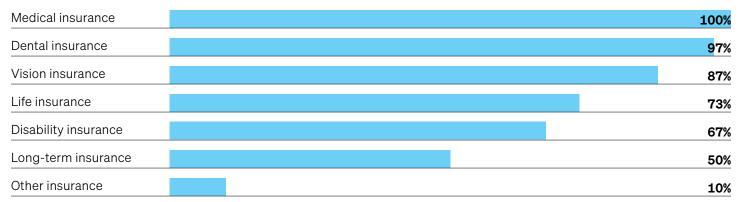
In addition to salary and bonus, dynamic benefits are a critical component to a competitive compensation package. Organizations that can offer superior benefits are better positioned to keep their employee satisfaction levels high and their turnover rates low. Employee satisfaction is particularly important given the current economic pressures of inflation and labor shortages.

All companies reporting benefits offer Medical (100%), followed by Dental (97%), and Vision (87%). All companies reporting offer Paid Leave and the majority (70%) offer Paid Sick Leave. Other benefits most offer include a cellular phone or phone allowance (83%), company vehicle or

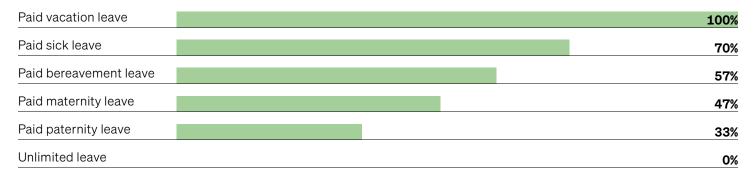
vehicle allowance (79%) and paid training/certification or reimbursement (79%). Among retirement benefits, 401 (k) is most popular and offered by 77% of companies reporting.

For most (71%), wage increases are determined using a hybrid model of both performance and cost of living. For just under 1 in 4, some increases are either performance only or cost of living only increases. Among those who use another determining factor, it is most commonly union dictated. It is also important to note the determination of wage increases varies by position as many use more than one approach to determine raises.

#### Medical and Special Coverage Benefits



#### **Paid Leave Benefits**





## Benefits & Wage Increases (cont'd)

#### **Other Benefits**

Cellular phone or allowance	83%
Company vehicle or vehicle allowance	79%
Paid training/certification or reimbursement	79%
Conference/trade show travel	62%
Tools or tool allowance	59%
Tuition reimbursement	21%

#### **Retirement and Profit Sharing Benefits**

401(k) plan	77%
Other retirement plan (non 401(k))	27%
Profit sharing/stock benefits	20%
ESOP	10%

#### **Determination of Wage Increases**

Hybrid basis of performance and inflation based		71%
Performance only		23%
Cost of living/inflation-based only		23%
Other		13%



#### **Summary of All Field Personnel Positions**

	Annual Salary/	Hourly Rate	Minimum Salary/Hourly		Rate Minimum Salary/Hourly Maximum Salary/Hourly		ary/Hourly	Number of Companies Reporting Bonus		
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean	Median		Mean	Median	
			SALARI	ED FIELD PER	RSONNEL					
Field Superintendent	102,159.23	90,000.00	90,167.67	85,000.00	121,500.00	97,500.00	11	14,666.64	7,200.00	
Crew Lead	80,600.00	75,000.00	70,000.00	60,000.00	90,000.00	75,000.00	4	7,125.00	5,250.00	
Glazier	63,466.67	62,400.00	56,200.00	56,200.00	62,200.00	62,200.00	2	N/A	N/A	
Journeymen Glazier	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	
Apprentice Glazier	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Glazier Helper	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	
			HOURL	Y FIELD PER	SONNEL					
Field Superintendent	37.66	36	32.55	30	35.19	32	8	5,714.46	4,200.00	
Crew Lead	34.67	35.06	31.1	28	35.25	35.06	14	5,023.79	3,200.00	
Glazier	26.43	26	22.79	22	27.4	26	12	2,970.00	2,250.00	
Journeymen Glazier	31.72	29	28.38	25.36	31.19	31	12	2,691.67	850	
Apprentice Glazier	23.33	21.83	19.55	19	24.75	23	12	666.67	250	
Glazier Helper	19.33	19.5	17.67	16.5	20.83	21	5	600	1000	



#### **Summary of All Shop Personnel Positions**

	Annual Salary/	Hourly Rate	Minimum Salary/Hourly		Maximum Salary/Hourly		Number of Companies Reporting Bonus	Bonus	
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean	Median		Mean	Median
			SALARI	ED SHOP PER	RSONNEL				
Shop Manager	85,857.14	84,000.00	79,000.00	79,500.00	86,500.00	85,000.00	5	3400.00	5000.00
Production Planner	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A
CNC Machinists	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operations	N/A	N/A	-	-	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A
Assembler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fabricator	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A
Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Truck Drivers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Inventory Specialists	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
			HOURL	Y SHOP PER	SONNEL				
Shop Manager	31.30	28.00	29.54	26.00	31.96	28.00	10	4540.00	2500.00
Production Planner	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	N/A	N/A
CNC Machinists	29.90	24.90	28.40	23.40	29.70	24.90	6	1750.00	1250.00
Operations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	N/A	N/A
Assembler	25.29	24.90	19.33	20.00	25.93	25.00	4	1500.00	1250.00
Fabricator	24.44	24.00	22.45	21.00	26.99	27.00	13	1033.85	1040.00
Maintenance	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A
Truck Drivers	30.72	27.06	24.11	25.00	26.72	27.00	8	1937.50	1750.00
Inventory Specialists	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A



#### **Summary of All Office Personnel Positions**

	Annual Salary/	Hourly Rate	Minimum Salary/Hourly		Maximum Salary/Hourly		Number of Companies Reporting Bonus	Bonus	
	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean	Median		Mean	Median
			SALARIE	D OFFICE PE	RSONNEL				
General Manager	119,589.38	109,500.00	114,600.00	100,000.00	124,937.50	109,500.00	13	17,369.23	12,000.00
Logistics Manager	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A
Inventory Manager	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A
Project Engineer	107,178.11	82,000.00	98,675.00	78,700.00	12,0550.00	78,700.00	7	50,77.49	35,00.00
Project Manager	97,593.74	100,000.00	83,807.33	82,500.00	12,1411.11	114,700.00	17	79,95.67	50,00.00
Construction Manager	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3	N/A	N/A
Estimators	95,553.94	91,200.00	87,902.94	85,000.00	103,600.00	92,700.00	16	89,61.56	50,00.00
Draftspeople	79,933.33	78,000.00	76,600.00	78,000.00	87,433.33	78,000.00	5	68,00.00	55,00.00
			HOURI	Y SHOP PERS	ONNEL				
General Manager	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A
Logistics Manager	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A
Inventory Manager	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3	N/A	N/A
Project Engineer	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A
Project Manager	30.86	31.00	30.29	31.00	31.43	31.00	7	3,285.71	3,500.00
Manager	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Estimators	25.58	25.50	23.67	24.50	27.17	26.50	6	2,533.33	2,350.00
Draftspeople	32.24	30.20	29.84	28.00	35.04	30.20	5	2,300.00	3,000.00



### Data assumptions

#### **CLASSIFICATION DATA**

Analysis of individual questions was only performed for respondents who answered that particular question.

Non-responses were excluded from the analysis.

#### **COMPENSATION DATA**

The source data used to compile the report were not audited by our firm. However, the individual reports were reviewed for obvious clerical errors and missing data. Vault Consulting, LLC staff contacted the reporting companies on questionable items. Agreed upon edits to data were incorporated into the final database and report.

#### **OUTLIERS**

Base salaries and bonuses that fell outside of 3 standard deviations from the mean were excluded from the data set.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

**Number of Responses (N)** is the number of included responses for any given statistic.

Average Annual Base Salary as of 1-January-2023: The average base compensation paid to all staff reported for a position. This does not include incentive compensation, deferred compensation, commission/bonus nor profit sharing.

#### Average Hourly Wage as of

**1-January-2023:** The average hourly wage paid to all staff reported for a position. This does not include incentive compensation, deferred compensation, commission/bonus nor profit sharing.

Minimum/Maximum Base Salary as of 1-January-2023: The Minimum or Maximum base compensation paid for a specific position. This does not include incentive compensation, deferred compensation, commission/bonus nor profit sharing.

Minimum/Maximum Hourly Wage as of 1-January-2023: The Minimum or Maximum hourly wage paid for a specific position. This does not include incentive compensation, deferred compensation, commission/bonus nor profit sharing.

#### Most Recent Average Bonus:

The Average ANNUAL bonus awarded for all staff reported for a position for work done in 2022, regardless of whether the bonus was paid in 2022 or 2023. Leave blank if no bonus was established. Bonus does not include salary, hiring bonuses, stock options, unusual ownership bonuses, noncash perquisites or payments made to employees to purchase medical/dental coverage themselves.

**Median (50th Percentile)** is the value at which 50 percent of the sequentially arrayed data points lie below and at which 50 percent lie above.

**NA** means the data is not shown to avoid the disclosure of individual respondent data. At least four unique respondents must be present for a line to be displayed.



## Profile of participants by revenue size, region and number of FTEs

By Revenue Size	
NET <\$10M	58%
NET >\$10M	42%

Region Defi	nitions
Northeast	Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont
Southeast	Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia
Midwest	Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin
Southwest	Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas
West	Alaska, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

By Geographic Region					
Northeast	16%				
Southeast	23%				
Midwest	26%				
Southwest	6%				
West	29%				

By Number of FTEs	
NET 1-50	61%
NET 51+	39%

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