



## Raymond Eaton - 47

“ My first job was helping out at construction sites to earn money during summers in high school. I loved being outside and seeing the progress of my work every day. After I graduated, I realized I could apply what I had learned to building inspections. I went through a training program with my local technical college while working for my employer. I always have the option to update my training through the tech college or even go to college to get a degree in engineering, but right now, it's great not having to be at a desk all day, and I'm still learning something new with every inspection. ”

### Occupation:

Building Inspector

### Salary:

\$58,035

### Education:

High School Diploma or Equivalent

### Job Description:

**Construction and Building Inspectors** inspect structures using engineering skills to determine structural soundness and compliance with specifications, building codes, and other regulations. Inspections may be general in nature or may be limited to a specific area, such as electrical systems or plumbing.\*



\*Source: This information is based on O\*NET™ data. O\*NET is a trademark registered to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration.

## Job Description:

SOC Code: 47-4011

## Top Job Skills:

- Interpret construction plans
- Transportation planning
- Construction materials testing
- Prepare inspection reports
- Customer service

## General Work Activities:

- Mental Processes
  - Authorize construction activities
- Interacting With Others
  - Communicate with clients about products, procedures, and policies
- Information Input
  - Monitor construction operations
  - Evaluate construction projects to determine compliance with external standards or regulations
  - Inspect work sites to identify potential environmental or safety hazards
  - Inspect plumbing systems or fixtures
  - Test electrical equipment or systems to ensure proper functioning
  - Review blueprints or specifications to determine work requirements
  - Inspect completed work to ensure proper installation
- Work Output
  - Record operational or environmental data

Source: SC Works Online Services (SCWOS)

## LEARN MORE WITH SCWOS:

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Find in-depth breakdowns of occupational statistics such as necessary job certifications, job skills and abilities, current job openings, overview of general work activities, and more by visiting [O\\*NET.org](https://www.o*net.org).

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## JOB STATISTICS:



**Typical Wage Range**  
\$43,990 - \$73,340



**Projected Growth**  
287/yr Job Openings



**Employed In-State**  
2,400



**Required Education**  
High School Diploma  
or Equivalent



**Work Experience**  
Typically Requires  
More Than Five Years



**On-the-Job Training**  
Moderate-Term  
On-the-job Training

\*Source: Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS) and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

## EXAMPLES OF WORKFORCE AREAS WITH JOB OPENINGS:

Source: SC Works Online Services. Ask an SC Works representative for more information about postings in your area.

- Midlands
- Trident
- Greenville
- Upper Savannah
- Lower Savannah
- Catawba

## EXAMPLES OF EMPLOYERS WITH JOB OPENINGS:

Source: SC Works Online Services. Ask an SC Works representative for more information about postings in your area.

- Consor Engineers
- KCI Technologies
- SAFEbuilt, Inc.
- Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc.
- BHE GT&S

## RELATED OCCUPATIONS:

- First-Line Supervisors of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers
- Aviation Inspectors
- Civil Engineering Technologists and Technicians
- Government Property Inspectors and Investigators

NOTE: All data based on state averages. Information may vary depending on region, experience, and specific employment situation. Last Updated: 2024.