Employment of accountants and auditors is expected to grow 11 percent (faster than average) from 2014 to 2024.

Meet the demand

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Pursue diverse career opportunities

Job titles

- Accountant
- Actuary
- Assistant controller
- Auditor
- Bank examiner
- Benefits/compensation administrator
- Budget analyst
- Business teacher
- CIA agent
- Claims adjuster
- Collector/collection agent
- Commercial bankers
- Commodities trader
- Consumer credit officer
- Estate planner
- FBI agent
- Financial aid Director
- Financial analyst
- Fundraiser
- Industrial buyer
- Internal auditor
- Inventory control specialist
- IRS investigator/loan administrator
- Management analyst
- Payroll manager
- Personal financial advisor
- Revenue agent
- Securities broker
- Stock broker
- Tax examiner
- Tax manager/tax specialist
- Underwriter

Top accounting firms in Arizona

- Deloitte LLP
- Ernst & Young US LLP
- KPMG US LLP
- PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
- CliftonLarsonAllen LLP
- Henry & Horne LLP
- RSM US LLP
- Eide Bailly LLP
- CBIZ MHM LLC
- Moss Adams LLP
- Semple, Marchal & Cooper LLP
- Grant Thornton LLP
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- Schmidt Westergard & Co. PLLC
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Generally work in house, recording and analyzing financial information. Prepare financial reports for non-management groups including stockholders, creditors, regulatory agencies, and tax authorities. Other responsibilities include budgeting, performance evaluation, cost management, and asset management.

Government accountant, auditor
Audit private businesses and individuals who are subject to government regulations or taxation. Guarantee that revenues are received and expenditures are made in accordance with laws and regulations.

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