

# EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN & PARAMEDIC

## WHAT WILL I BE DOING?

- Administer first aid treatment or life support care to sick or injured persons in prehospital settings
- Operate equipment, such as external defibrillators, in advanced life support environments
- Perform emergency diagnostic and treatment procedures, such as stomach suction, airway management or heart monitoring, during ambulance rides
- Assess nature and extent of illness or injury to establish and prioritize medical procedures

## NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL WAGE INFORMATION

	2019 Entry Level Hourly Wage	2018 Employment	Projected 2028 Employment
<b>Capital Area</b>	<b>\$15.54</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>1,329</b>
Texas	\$11.76	19,690	21,817
United States	\$11.30	265,200*	282,200*

## WHAT JOB TITLES SHOULD I SEARCH FOR?

- Emergency Medical Technician
- Paramedic

## WHERE COULD I WORK?

- Other Ambulatory Health Care Services
- General Medical and Surgical Hospitals
- Offices of Physicians
- Outpatient Care Centers

## KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS NEEDED

## WHAT TYPE OF EDUCATION AND/OR TRAINING WILL I NEED?

Workers in occupations at this level can develop the skills needed for average job performance after receiving a high school diploma or equivalent and receiving on-the-job training.

## WILL I NEED A SPECIAL LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION?

Many occupations prefer or require at least one certification for entry or advancement. The Texas Workforce Investment Council has indicated the following as Industry– Based Certifications for this occupation: Licensed Paramedic.

Primary Data Sources: Texas Workforce Commission at [texaslmi.com](http://texaslmi.com), JobsEQ at [jobseq.eqsuite.com](http://jobseq.eqsuite.com), Bureau of Labor Statistics at [bls.gov](http://bls.gov), and CareerOneStop at [careerinfonet.org](http://careerinfonet.org), 2019, US projections are for 2019-2029



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## OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE

**For Staff Use**  
**SOC:** 29-2042  
(EMT);  
29-2043  
(Paramedic)  
**CIP:** 51.0904

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## CAPITAL AREA CAREER LADDER

\* Also Included on Targeted Occupation List (PY 2021)

### Nurse Practitioner

#### Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$41.92
- Median Level: \$52.56

**220 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028**

### \*Registered Nurse

#### Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$27.69
- Median Level: \$34.63

**2,938 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028**

### \*Emergency Medical Technician & Paramedic

#### Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$15.54
- Median Level: \$22.66

**332 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028**

### Home Health Aide

#### Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$8.61
- Median Level: \$10.20

**312 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028**

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