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PRESS RELEASE

Salary Survey Indicates Promising Future in Electronics Careers

ETA International recently conducted a confidential salary survey to provide a real-world picture of average earnings and forecast job growth in electronics-related careers to students and technicians as they advance in their fields.

Greencastle, April 29, 2015: Potential earnings are a key influencing factor for young people considering a career in the electronics industry. The current state of the electronics industry and occupational forecast was recently collected by ETA International from over 200 technicians, educators, students and retirees across the United States and around the world.

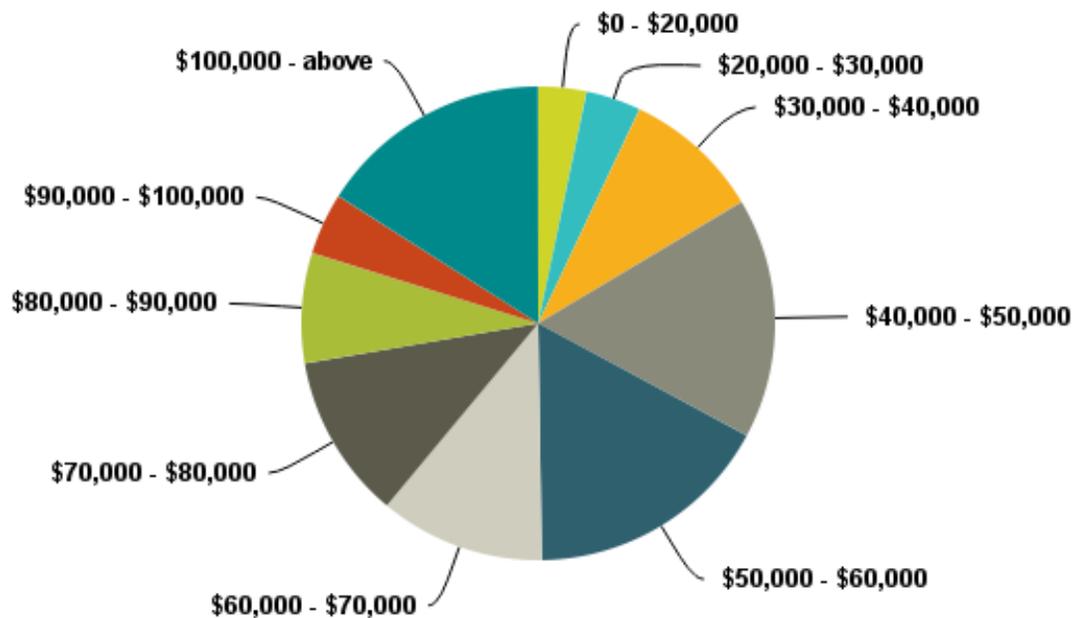
Respondents' areas of expertise within the electronics industry included industrial automation, computer networking and security system installations, robotics, green technology, fiber optics, communications, biomedical equipment technology, oil and gas offshore exploration, railway signaling, avionics and aerospace, electronics engineering and education, among others. Almost 74% project job growth in their industry.

An overwhelming majority, 140 respondents, said that their ETA certification has benefited their career with opened opportunities and pay increases:

- "My ETA certifications landed me my first job in electronics. It has also meant the difference in pay raises and promotions over the years."
- "I have an internationally recognized certification that tells potential employers that I have been tested and received the training or experience that I said I had."
- "ETA certifications provide credibility to my service work and make it easier to get new clients."
- "It has allowed us to use certification as an advantage in the bidding process and helped our company gain government work."
- "I have no formal training, so it really helped me out after leaving the military."

Q6 What is your annual salary, including overtime pay?

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When asked what they considered key to getting started in their industry, several replied that education, certification and hands-on training are essential.

"You need a solid education in basic electronics and a good understanding of the physics involved in measuring systems and devices. Instrumentation and Controls is the best kept secret in the electronics industry. Familiarization with laboratory instruments and their uses along with industrial instrumentation will open doors in areas you don't expect," said one respondent.

"Working in an industry that is also part of your hobby will always motivate great work ethics," said another, "The key to getting started and loving the field you decide to work in is to have a genuine passion for technology and how things work. You have to understand that you will always have to keep learning new information."

For more information on electronics careers, please visit the U.S. Department of Labor's www.onetonline.org. A partner of the American Job Center Network, O*NET includes details about education, knowledge, skills, abilities, tools and technology, work activities and tasks, wages and employment trends, related occupations, and job openings on the web.

About ETA - Since 1978, ETA has issued over 150,000 professional certifications. Widely recognized and frequently used in worker job selection, hiring processes, pay increases, and advancements, ETA certifications are often required as companies bid on contracts. ETA's certifications are personal and travel with the individual, regardless of employment or status change and measure competencies of persons, not products or vendors. All ETA certifications are accredited through the International Certification Accreditation Council (ICAC) and align with the ISO-17024 standard. www.eta-i.org

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