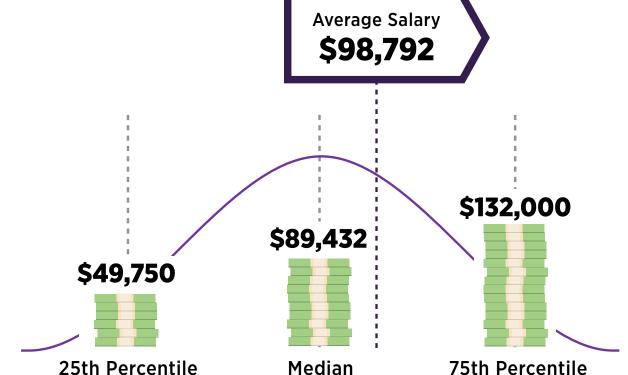
Salaries in astronomical telescopes and instrumentation

Scientists and engineers who develop ground and space-based telescopes, instrumentation, and supporting technology.

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Average Astronomical Telescopes Salary Average Salary \$98,792



Half of astronomical telescopes and instrumentation workers earn over \$89,432 per year, with the top 25% earning over \$132,000.

"I love my current job in optics and can't wait to pursue a career in it!"

How happy are astronomical instrumentation scientists and engineers, and how do their salaries break down across organizations, degrees, and countries?

How satisfied are people working in astronomical telescopes and instrumentation?

96% 96% 84% 66% 65% **Enjoy their work** Say they have an Find their work Would recommend Are happy with excellent work/life the amount they meaningful their field to a friend or their child balance are paid

"Astronomy is an international environment, and we DO work together."

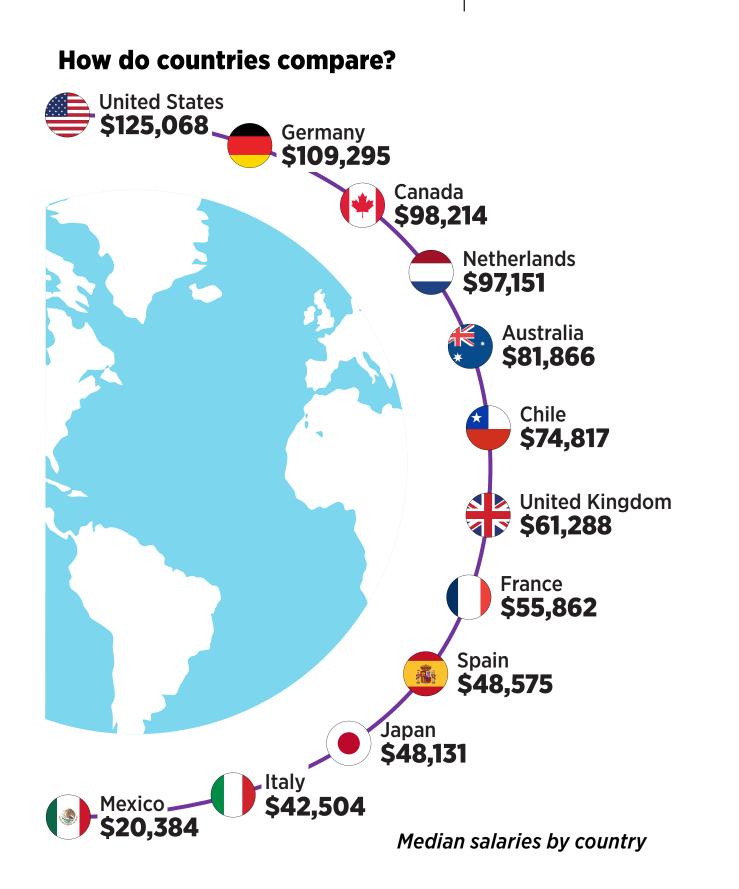
astronomical telescopes and instrumentation? 26% Electrical \$81,742 20% Mechanical \$60,000 17% Optical \$114,796

What engineering degrees are most popular in

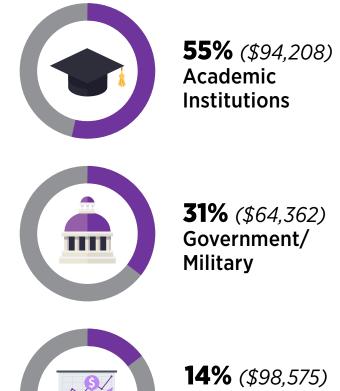
12% Aerospace or Aeronautical \$115,000

11% Computer Science or Engineering \$39,934

Median salaries



Where do astronomical instrumentation scientists and engineers work?





Percentage of workforce (Median salaries)