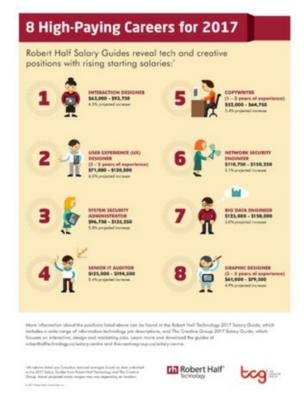
8 Roles Expected to See Biggest Salary Boosts in 2017



Robert Half Salary Guides Reveal Tech and Creative Jobs with Notable Salary Growth

TORONTO, Jan. 4, 2017 /CNW/ - How much does a data ninja or coding wizard make? Significantly more than they did last year, according to the 2017 Salary Guides from staffing specialists Robert Half Technology and The Creative Group. The 2017 Salary Guides from staffing specialists Robert Half Technology and The Creative Group show that base salaries in the technology and creative fields are expected to increase 3.2 per cent and 3.1 per cent, respectively, in the coming year. And some roles are projected to see even bigger gains.

"Finding professionals for in-demand roles remains a challenge, particularly in these top growth positions. Companies continue to expand their digital and creative initiatives, resulting in greater demand for employees with the skills necessary to drive business success," said Deborah Bottineau, senior regional manager of Robert Half Technology and The Creative Group. "Employers need to be decisive in their hiring. Managers should have enticing offers prepared that include competitive pay and benefits options ready for when they find a good fit for their organization."

The following eight jobs are expected to see substantial increases in average starting salary in 2017, according to the Robert Half Salary Guides*:

Role	Salary Increase	Average Starting
	from 2016	Salary
Interaction Designer	6.5%	\$63,000 - \$93,750
User Experience (UX) Designer (3-5 years of experience)	6.0%	\$71,000 - \$120,000
Systems Security Administrator	5.8%	\$96,750 - \$135,250
Senior IT Auditor	5.4%	\$125,000 - \$194,500
Copywriter (1-3 years of experience)	5.4%	\$52,000 - 64,750
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6	Network Security Engineer	5.1%	\$110,750 - \$150,250
7	Big Data Engineer	5.0%	\$123,000 - \$158,000
8	Graphic Designer (3-5 years of experience)	4.9%	\$61,000 - \$79,500

^{*}All salaries listed are Canadian national averages based on data published in the 2017 Salary Guides from Robert Half Technology and The Creative Group. Actual projected salary ranges may vary depending on location.

More information, including job descriptions, for these and other high-paying career opportunities, can be found in the *Robert Half Technology 2017 Salary Guide*, which includes a wide range of information technology positions, and *The Creative Group 2017 Salary Guide*, which focuses on interactive, design and marketing jobs.

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