



OPTOMETRISTS

NOC 3121

Examine eyes to assess and diagnose diseases and disorders. They prescribe eyeglasses and contact lenses and recommend treatments such as exercises to correct vision or eye disorders.



3-YEAR OUTLOOK



3-YEAR JOB OPENINGS

22

MEDIAN HOURLY WAGE

N/A

TYPICALLY REQUIRED



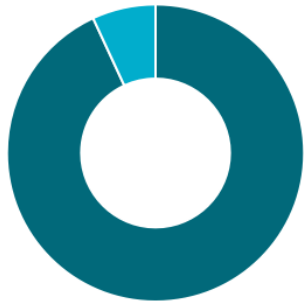
EMPLOYED

143

MEDIAN SALARY

\$61,006

The information presented is based on data for New Brunswick. To learn more about the data provided, visit www.nbjobs.ca/occupations.



EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

93.1%	Health care and social assistance
6.9%	Retail trade
0.0%	N/A
0.0%	All Other Industries



EMPLOYMENT BY AGE

0.0%	15-24
25.9%	25-34
25.9%	35-44
25.9%	45-54
22.2%	55-64
0.0%	65+

ALSO KNOWN AS

• Doctor Of Optometry (OD)

• Optometrist

MAIN DUTIES:

Optometrists perform some or all of the following duties:

- Examine patients' eyes, conduct tests and use ophthalmoscopes, biomicroscopes and other specialized instruments to determine ocular health and visual efficiency
- Prescribe and provide treatment (excluding surgery) to maintain, improve and correct vision and manage other ocular diseases and disorders
- Prescribe, dispense and fit eyeglasses, contact lenses and other visual aids
- Educate, counsel and advise patients on contact lens use and care, ocular hygiene, surgical and non-surgical options, and preventive care and maintenance related to occupation and lifestyle
- Refer patients to ophthalmologists or other physicians and surgeons for treatment of ocular diseases or conditions such as cataracts, glaucoma and macular degeneration and systemic conditions such as diabetes and high blood pressure.