



## Elaine Schriever - 64

“ I credit my big appetite with pushing me to become a chef. As a teenager, when I got home from school, I wanted more than chips. I wanted something complex or unique. Even if it was just mixing different flavors or foods with hummus. I loved to watch cooking shows and learning to make my favorite restaurant foods at home. I got my first job with a catering company in high school and applied to culinary school to broaden my cooking skills and learn more about the business side of the hospitality industry.

Thanks to South Carolina’s booming tourism industry, restaurant and catering jobs are available in every region of the state. Making a living feeding people good food never gets old.

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### Occupation:

Chef

### Salary:

\$70,698

### Education:

High School Diploma  
or Equivalent

### Job Description:

**Chefs and Head Cooks** direct and may participate in the preparation, seasoning, and cooking of salads, soups, fish, meats, vegetables, desserts, or other foods. May plan and price menu items, order supplies, and keep records and accounts.\*



\*Source: This information is based on O\*NET™ data. O\*NET is a trademark registered to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration.

## Job Description:

SOC Code: 35-1011

## Top Job Skills:

- Restaurant management
- Food preparation
- Menu development
- Inventory control
- Menu compliance

## General Work Activities:

- Mental Processes
  - Create new recipes or food presentations
  - Estimate supplies, ingredients, or staff requirements for food preparation activities
  - Schedule equipment maintenance
- Interacting With Others
  - Coordinate timing of food production activities
  - Train food preparation or food service personnel
  - Manage food service operations or parts of operations
- Information Input
  - Monitor activities of individuals to ensure safety or compliance with rules
  - Check quality of foods or supplies
  - Inspect facilities, equipment or supplies to ensure conformance to standards
- Work Output
  - Cook foods

Source: SC Works Online Services (SCWOS)

## LEARN MORE WITH SCWOS:

**SC Works Online Services (SCWOS)** is the state's largest job database and provides all of South Carolina's job postings from all major sites, including Monster and Career Builder, in one resource. SCWOS has thousands of positions listed by employers all over the state. To access SCWOS, visit [jobs.scworks.org](https://jobs.scworks.org).

Find in-depth breakdowns of occupational statistics such as necessary job certifications, job skills and abilities, current job openings, overview of general work activities, and more by visiting [O\\*NET.org](https://www.o*net.org).

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## JOB STATISTICS:



### Typical Wage Range

\$40,850 - \$64,330



### Projected Growth

380/yr Job Openings



### Employed In-State

2,120



### Required Education

High School Diploma or Equivalent



### Work Experience

Typically Requires Five Years or More



### On-the-Job Training

Typically Requires None

\*Source: Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS) and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

## EXAMPLES OF WORKFORCE AREAS WITH JOB OPENINGS:

Source: SC Works Online Services. Ask an SC Works representative for more information about postings in your area.

- Trident
- Greenville
- Midlands
- Lowcountry
- Waccamaw
- Pee Dee

## EXAMPLES OF EMPLOYERS WITH JOB OPENINGS:

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- ARAMARK Corporation
- Cozymeal, Inc.
- American Cruise Lines
- Sodexo, Inc.
- Northwood Hospitality, LLC
- Oak View Group
- Perkins Management Services Company

## RELATED OCCUPATIONS:

- Bakers
- Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria
- Cooks, Private Household
- Cooks, Restaurant
- Cooks, Short Order
- Dietetic Technicians
- Food Batchmakers

NOTE: All data based on state averages. Information may vary depending on region, experience, and specific employment situation. Last Updated: 2024.