



## Lucas Ahmed - 36

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When I tell people I'm a baker, they usually think about someone baking cookies in their house or maybe for a small neighborhood bakery. No one usually thinks about baking in a factory. While machines do a lot of the work of measuring and mixing, I help to ensure our recipes are specifically crafted for large scale production.

I also assist our Research and Development team in designing and testing new cookie flavors that you may see on your grocery store shelves 12 to 18 months later! It is pretty amazing to see something you created for sale at the store.

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### Occupation:

Baker

### Salary:

\$34,802

### Education:

Typically  
Requires None

### Job Description:

**Bakers** mix and bake ingredients to produce breads, rolls, cookies, cakes, pies, pastries, or other baked goods.\*



## Job Description:

SOC Code: 51-3011

## Top Job Skills:

- Customer service
- Proper food handling
- Food preparation
- Mathematical skills
- Stand for extended periods of time

## General Work Activities:

- Mental Processes
  - Evaluate quality of food ingredients or prepared foods
- Interacting With Others
  - Direct operational or production activities
  - Order materials, supplies, or equipment
- Work Output
  - Adjust temperature controls of ovens or other heating equipment
  - Load materials into production equipment
  - Operate cooking, baking, or other food preparation equipment
  - Clean production equipment
  - Maintain production or processing equipment
  - Apply protective or decorative finishes to workpieces or products
  - Operate cutting equipment
  - Shape clay or dough to create products

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).

## JOB STATISTICS:



### Typical Wage Range

\$27,000 - \$38,430



### Projected Growth

396/yr Job Openings



### Employed In-State

3,210



### Required Education

Typically  
Requires None



### Work Experience

Typically  
Requires None



### On-the-Job Training

Moderate-Term  
On-the-job Training

\*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
- Catawba
- Waccamaw
- Lowcountry

## EXAMPLES OF EMPLOYERS WITH JOB OPENINGS:

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- Food Lion
- Harris Teeter, Inc.
- The Kroger Co.
- Panera Bread Company
- Lowes Foods, LLC
- ARAMARK Corporation

## RELATED OCCUPATIONS\*:

- Chefs and Head Cooks
- Food Batchmakers
- Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria
- Food Cooking Machine Operators and Tenders
- Food Preparation Workers

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