



2021

# Wage & Career Survey

Every two years the SAVT completes a wage survey to gather information on the wages for RVTs in Saskatchewan. In 2021, our survey also focused on the safety of the RVT profession and the future direction of RVTs in Saskatchewan.

**378**

RVT survey respondents  
Equal to 72% of membership

**\$25.44**

Average wage for RVTs  
in Saskatchewan

**\$24.00**

Median wage for RVTs in  
Saskatchewan

**\$15.00-55.28**

Wage range for RVTs in  
Saskatchewan

**18,376**

Estimated number of  
hazardous improper  
exposures per month

**42.6%**

Members who have had  
concerns that unregistered  
staff are performing RVT  
duties

## CURRENT OCCUPATION

Mixed Animal Private Practice (+/- Exotics)	35.05%
Small Animal Private Practice (+/- Exotics)	30.82%
University (research, lab, WCVM, or VMC)	19.34%
Large Animal Private Practice (+/- Exotics)	2.72%
Lab or Research Facility (not U of S)	2.11%
Humane Society or Animal Rescue	2.11%
Other	1.81%
Administrative or Office ONLY Position	1.51%
Predominantly Swine or Swine Only	1.21%
Industry Sales Representative	1.21%
Educator/Instructor ONLY Position	1.21%

## POPULATION OF COMMUNITY WHERE EMPLOYMENT IS LOCATED

0 - 5,000	22.82%
5,001 - 10,000	6.48%
10,001 - 25,000	11.27%
25,001 - 50,000	5.92%
50,001 - 275,000	53.52%

## AVERAGE KMS CLIENTS TRAVEL FOR CARE

50+ kms	30.82%
10-50 kms	51.71%
0-10 kms	17.47%

## ESTIMATED MONTHLY IMPROPER EXPOSURES IN SASKATCHEWAN CLINICS

Sharps	2718
Anesthetic - Inhalation	2390
Hazardous Cleaners/Disinfectants	2262
Radiation	1656
Biohazardous Waste	1608
Lab Chemicals	1378
Anesthetic - Injectable and Consumable	1364
Potentially Zoonotic Animals/Waste	1312
Aerosolized Dental Biohazards	1250
Euthanasia Drugs	1248
Hormone Altering Drugs	684
Cytotoxic Drugs	266
Cryogenic Sprays	240

## YEARS OF SERVICE

1-4 Years	23.33%
5-9 Years	27.95%
10-14 Years	18.21%
15-19 Years	11.54%
20-24 Years	8.46%
25-29 Years	5.13%
30-34 Years	3.33%
35+ Years	2.05%

## AVERAGE WAGE BY YEARS OF SERVICE

New Grad	\$19.14
1-4 Years	\$20.51
5-9 Years	\$23.43
10-14 Years	\$26.20
15-19 Years	\$28.01
20-24 Years	\$29.69
25-29 Years	\$32.93
30-34 Years	\$31.44
35+ Years	\$38.18

## AVERAGE WAGE BY OCCUPATION TYPE

Mixed Animal Private Practice (+/- Exotics)	\$22.48
Small Animal Private Practice (+/- Exotics)	\$22.94
University (research, lab, WCVM, or VMC)	\$31.80
Large Animal Private Practice (+/- Exotics)	\$22.33
Lab or Research Facility (not U of S)	\$32.66
Humane Society or Animal Rescue	\$21.88
Other	\$29.44
Administrative or Office ONLY Position	\$33.71
Predominantly Swine or Swine Only	\$25.04
Industry Sales Representative	\$36.00
Educator/Instructor ONLY Position	\$37.06

## HOW OFTEN DO YOU HAVE UNREGISTERED STAFF PERFORMING TECHNICAL DUTIES OF RVTS?

No Answer	58.47%
1-2 times a month	15.61%
1-2 times a week	11.11%
1-2 times a day	14.81%

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