

# Computer Systems Analysts

SOC: 15-1211 • Career Profile Report

## ■ Key Facts

<b>\$103,790</b> Median Salary	<b>521,100</b> Employment	<b>+9.0%</b> Growth Rate
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## ■ Requirements & Salary Range

Education: Bachelor's degree

## ■ Automation Risk Assessment

**Low Risk** - 12.0% probability of being automated in the next 10-20 years.  
This job is relatively safe from automation due to its creative, social, or complex problem-solving requirements.

## ■ Work-Life Balance

**9.8/10** - Excellent work-life balance

## ■ Personality Fit (RIASEC)

Higher scores indicate better personality fit for this career type.

Realistic	7.4/10	Investigative	9.2/10
Artistic	4.6/10	Social	5.4/10
Enterprising	5.6/10	Conventional	6.8/10

## ■ Top Skills Required

Analytical skills, Business skills, Communication skills, Creativity, Detail oriented, Organizational skills

### ✓ Strengths

- High Demand
- Flexible Work
- Continuous Learning

### ■ Challenges

- Burnout Risk
- Rapid Technological Change

## ■ What They Do

Computer Systems Analysts typically perform the following tasks:

- Troubleshoot program and system malfunctions to restore normal functioning.
- Provide staff and users with assistance solving computer-related problems, such as malfunctions and program problems.
- Test, maintain, and monitor computer programs and systems, including coordinating the installation of computer programs and systems.
- Use the computer in the analysis and solution of business problems, such as development of integrated production and inventory control and cost analysis systems.
- Coordinate and link the computer systems within an organization to increase compatibility so that information can be shared.
- Use object-oriented programming languages, as well as client and server applications development processes and multimedia and Internet technology.
- Analyze information processing or computation needs and plan and design computer systems, using techniques such as structured analysis, data modeling, and information engineering.
- Consult with management to ensure agreement on system principles.
- Specify inputs accessed by the system and plan the distribution and use of the results.
- Expand or modify system to serve new purposes or improve work flow.
- Train staff and users to work with computer systems and programs.
- Assess the usefulness of pre-developed application packages and adapt them to a user environment.
- Determine computer software or hardware needed to set up or alter systems.
- Read manuals, periodicals, and technical reports to learn how to develop programs that meet staff and user requirements.
- Develop, document, and revise system design procedures, test procedures, and quality standards.
- Recommend new equipment or software packages.
- Define the goals of the system and devise flow charts and diagrams describing logical operational steps of programs.
- Confer with clients regarding the nature of the information processing or computation needs a computer program is to address.
- Review and analyze computer printouts and performance indicators to locate code problems, and correct errors by correcting codes.
- Interview or survey workers, observe job performance, or perform the job to determine what information is processed and how it is processed.

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