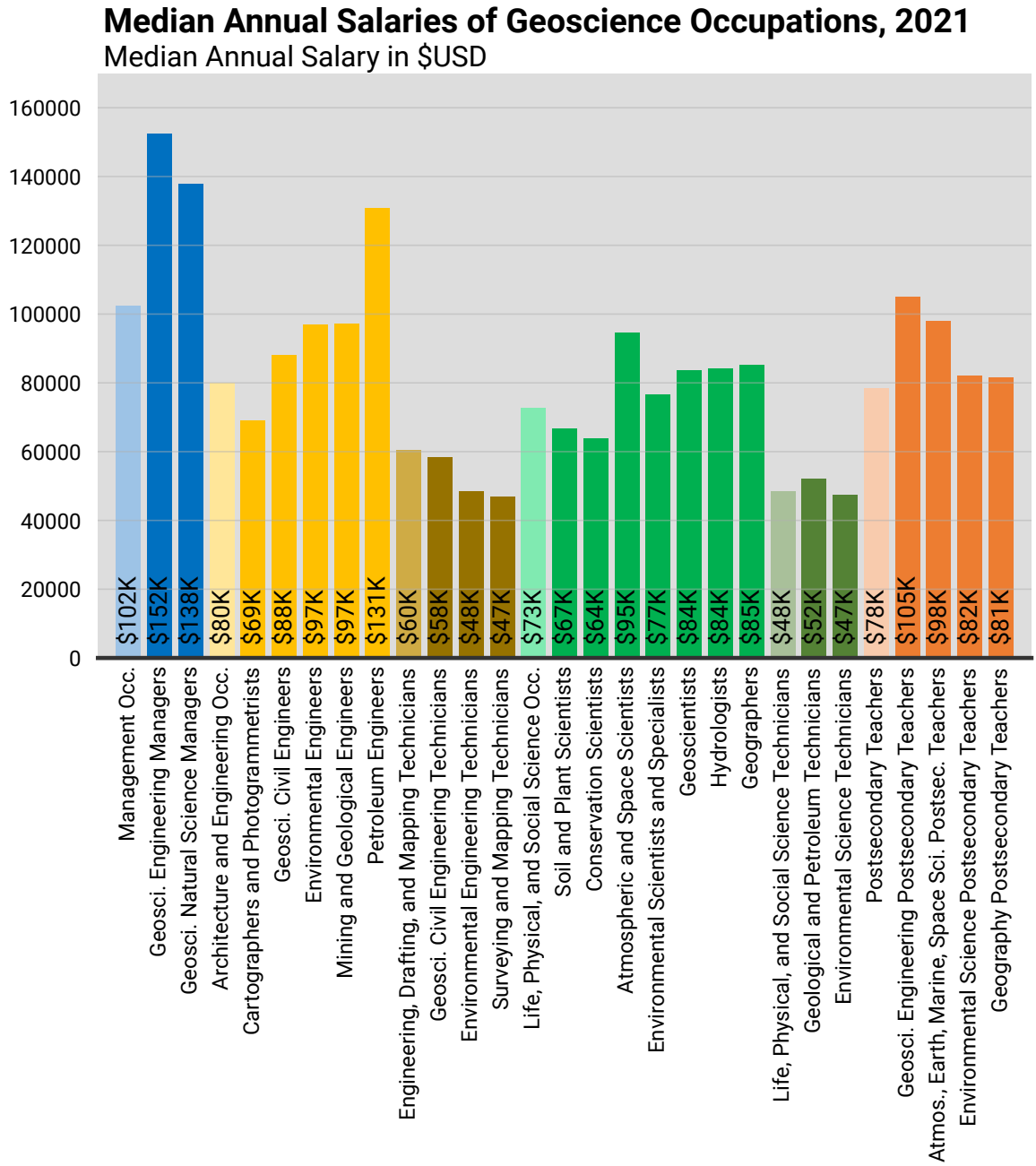
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Geoscience Median Salaries Decline in 2021



Broad occupational categories are shown in lighter colors and geoscience-related occupations are shown in darker colors.
Credit: AGI; data derived from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment Statistics

Overall, geoscience median salaries declined by 2% between 2020 and 2021, lagging other science occupations which increased by 4%, but not other engineering occupations which declined by 4%. The greatest increases in median salaries within the geosciences were *geoscience civil engineers* (+8%), *environmental*

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engineers (+5%), and *mining and geological engineers* (+4%). The largest declines in salaries were for *geoscientists* (-11%), *environmental engineering technicians* (-6%), and *atmospheric and space scientists* (-5%).

Salaries for geoscience-related occupations (darker colors in the chart) were generally higher than salaries for broad occupational categories (lighter colors in the chart) except for geoscience engineering technician occupations. Other geoscience-related occupations with lower median salaries than broad occupational categories included *cartographers and photogrammetrists*, *soil and plant scientists*, *conservation scientists*, and *environmental science technicians*.

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