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# R skills are in high demand...

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## R skills attract the highest salaries

Two recent salary surveys have shown that [R language](#) skills attract median salaries in excess of \$110,000 in the United States.

In the [2014 Dice Tech Salary Survey](#) of over 17,000 technology professionals, the highest-paid IT skill was R programming. While [big-data skills in general featured strongly](#) in the top tier, having R at the top of the list reflects the strong demand for skills to make sense of, and extract value from big data.

AVERAGE SALARY FOR <b>High Paying Skills and Experience</b>		
SKILL	2013	YR/YR CHANGE
<b>R</b>	\$ 115,531	n/a
<b>NoSQL</b>	\$ 114,796	1.6%
<b>MapReduce</b>	\$ 114,396	n/a
<b>PMBok</b>	\$ 112,382	1.3%
<b>Cassandra</b>	\$ 112,382	n/a
<b>Omnigraffle</b>	\$ 111,039	0.3%
<b>Pig</b>	\$ 109,561	n/a
<b>SOA</b> (Service Oriented Architecture)	\$ 108,997	-0.5%
<b>Hadoop</b>	\$ 108,669	-5.6%
<b>Mongo DB</b>	\$ 107,825	-0.4%

Similarly, the recent [O'Reilly Data Scientist Survey](#) also found R skills amongst those that pay in the \$110,000-\$125,000 range (albeit amongst a much smaller and specialized sample of respondents).