



Remote or Freelance Jobs: The Next Step in Your Career?

The number of work-from-home jobs was already on the rise and due to the Coronavirus Pandemic remote or hybrid work is becoming the norm.

When considering online work, think about your strengths, skills, and work style to understand if working out of your home or local coffee shop is the best option for the life you want to live. Questions you might want to ask yourself include:

- What would my ideal work week look like?
- How will I stay organized and motivated?
- What level and type of interactions with others am I seeking?
- How familiar am I with technology and what is my comfort with learning new platforms?

One of the hardest parts of having a career in remote work, is figuring out how to find jobs or where to look for them.

Keyword Search Terms

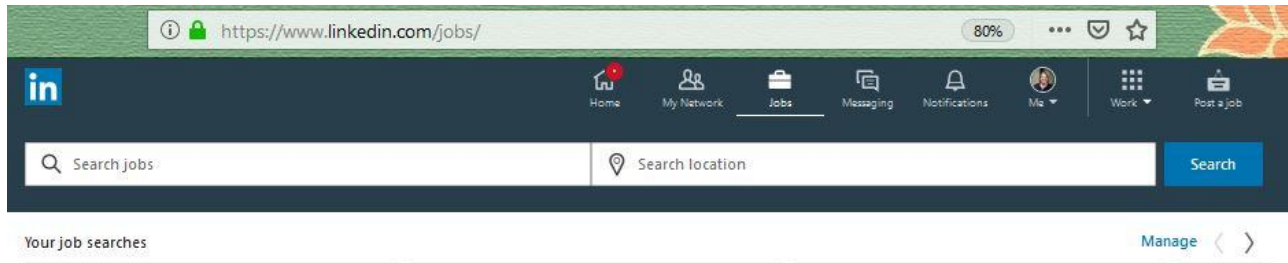
Sample keywords to help you find non-traditional work opportunities include:

- Remote
- Freelance
- Virtual
- Contract
- Online
- Distance
- Gig
- Work from home
- Work at home
- Telecommute
- Telework
- Nationwide

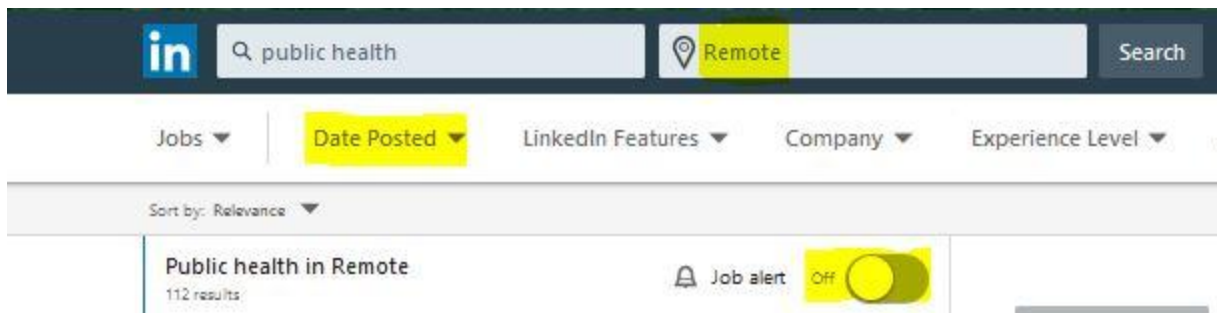
Searching LinkedIn for Online Work Options

You can look on LinkedIn Jobs for online work, just include the above keywords in the location field when doing the job search.

Go to: <https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/>



Type in the job title you are interested in and “Remote” in the location. You can also filter on date posted.



Once you have created a job search that fits the job criteria you are most interested in, you can turn the job alert on so you receive emails once a day or once a week when jobs become available that meet the criteria you have setup.

Additional Sources for Online Work

You can look on many other jobs sites for online work, just include the above keywords in the search fields, drop-down menus or location fields when doing the job search.

- [Directory of Companies where you can work from home](#)
- [Online Medical Jobs You Can Do From Home](#)
- [Online Insurance Jobs](#)
- [UnitedHealth Group Careers](#) - Large health insurance company hires nurses for telecommuting positions as well as many others with experience in the insurance industry.
- [Remote.co](#)
- [FlexJobs](#)
- [Upwork](#)
- [Guru](#)
- [Fiverr](#)
- [Rat Race Rebellion](#) - Daily job leads here run the gamut, but a lot are home call center companies.



- [Telecommute Job List](#) - This site segments itself into lists for legal, accounting, writing, Internet/web design, medical jobs from home.
- Work at Home Space - These are all pretty much Craigslist posting, but this makes it a lot easier than searching multiple cities' listings.
- [FlexJobs](#) - This service posts decent telecommuting gigs, but it is not free so read the [FlexJobs review](#) first to decide if it's right for you.
- [FreelanceJobOpenings.com](#) - These are mostly entry-level writing jobs, but you'll find translation and search engine evaluation job leads here as well.
- [Indeed.com Telecommuting](#) - This popular careers website is sorted by telecommuting jobs; to narrow it to your field, choose additional search terms for your industry.
- [jobs.jobs](#) - Major companies use the .jobs domain to advertise open positions.
- [FWJ Freelance Writing Jobs](#) - As the name implies, this one specialized in jobs for writers, editors and bloggers. It is updated daily.
- [WAHJobLeads](#) - The opportunities on this board are culled from a variety of sources. It isn't updated daily, though.
- [Non Phone Jobs](#) - [Crowdsourcing](#), [online teaching](#), [data entry](#) and [search evaluation](#) are among the types of positions on this site. Entries aren't dated so it's tough to know how fresh they are unless you're a regular visitor.
- [The Work at Home Journal](#) - Though this site is updated frequently, not everything it lists are job leads, but sometimes they are companies that hire telecommuters regularly.

Finding Success Working from Home

Wahoo! You landed a job working from home. Now the challenge will be finding success with time management as it is more important than ever when working from home. Like any skill, it takes practice but it can be your key to success:

- **Set a schedule:** Determine your work hours and stick to them.
- **Multitask Appropriately:** Multitasking can help or hurt your schedule depending on how much you have on your plate. Evaluate your effectiveness that day and see what improvements can be made for the future.
- **Embrace Routine but Stay Creative:** Be flexible, and prepared to change your routines when necessary. If you find that you need more outside stimulation, maybe working in a coffee shop is in order. If working in a coffee shop is completely distracting, try the local library. The idea is that flexibility only works if you are creative in your willingness to get your work done.
- **Know Yourself:** Assessing whether yours is a good work-from-home personality and be able to create ground rules for working at home will help make everyone happier in your home work situation. For example, if you find that work project is nagging at you when you are suppose to have family time, go out for a walk with the kids to let it go.