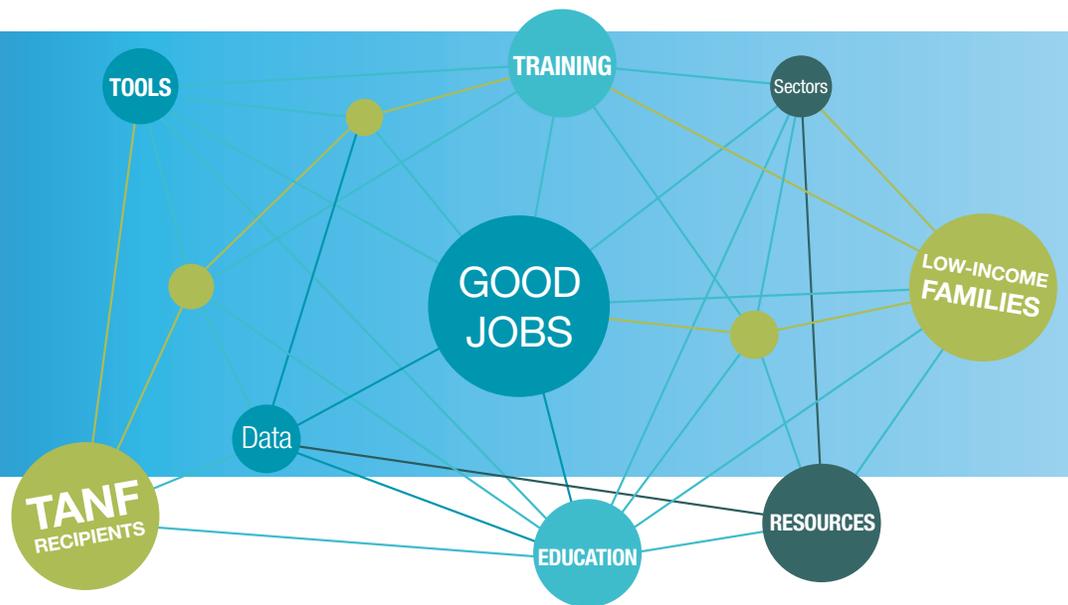


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25th Percentile Median 75th Percentile

Occupation	Education/Training Required	Average Annual Openings	Growth Rate	25th Percentile	Median	75th Percentile
Registered nurses		1,760	18.7%	\$46,200	\$54,900	\$64,830
Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	 + OJT	890	12.0%	\$29,020	\$37,630	\$47,380
Nursing assistants		710	15.2%	\$18,540	\$21,450	\$24,190
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses		700	23.4%	\$31,050	\$35,470	\$40,630
Medical assistants		320	27.1%	\$21,360	\$25,140	\$29,620
Computer user support specialists	 + OJT	310	25.8%	\$32,790	\$43,060	\$56,070
Teacher assistants		280	8.0%	\$17,350	\$19,200	\$22,170
First-line supervisors of production and operating workers		240	4.4%	\$40,000	\$51,910	\$68,800
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists		230	12.9%	\$17,840	\$21,050	\$27,660
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	 + OJT	220	19.4%	\$30,480	\$37,530	\$46,690
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics		180	28.0%	\$21,250	\$25,990	\$32,570
Dental hygienists		170	30.2%	\$39,650	\$44,680	\$49,750
Firefighters	 + OJT	170	6.4%	\$31,200	\$40,080	\$48,630
Preschool teachers, except special education		140	19.2%	\$19,570	\$25,700	\$33,240
Medical records and health information technicians		130	21.2%	\$23,010	\$28,820	\$37,900
Dental assistants		130	21.5%	\$25,300	\$29,850	\$35,830
Radiologic technologists		120	18.8%	\$36,950	\$45,290	\$54,750
Medical and clinical laboratory technicians		120	27.7%	\$26,770	\$34,640	\$43,870
Physical therapist assistants		120	43.4%	\$44,480	\$53,470	\$61,750
Paralegals and legal assistants		90	13.9%	\$33,840	\$45,890	\$56,800

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25th Percentile **Median** 75th Percentile

	EDUCATION/ TRAINING REQUIRED	AVERAGE ANNUAL OPENINGS	GROWTH RATE	25th Percentile	Median	75th Percentile
Respiratory therapists		70	16.7%	\$40,290	\$45,910	\$53,630
Electrical and electronics engineering technicians		60	7.9%	\$44,760	\$59,380	\$72,680
Phlebotomists		60	21.8%	\$22,020	\$26,020	\$31,280
Computer, automated teller, and office machine repairers		50	3.0%	\$26,980	\$36,000	\$45,900
Electrical and electronics repairers, commercial and industrial equipment	 + OJT	40	1.4%	\$43,420	\$52,220	\$62,460

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PROMISING OCCUPATIONS IN
Florida

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25th Percentile Median 75th Percentile

Registered nurses		6,680	22.6%	\$52,740	\$60,920	\$72,030
Nursing assistants		3,040	22.1%	\$20,700	\$23,390	\$27,350
Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	 + OJT	2,750	18.6%	\$27,720	\$34,770	\$44,090
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses		2,210	23.7%	\$35,400	\$41,130	\$46,810
Medical assistants		1,720	29.3%	\$25,160	\$28,740	\$33,670
Teacher assistants		1,650	17.6%	\$18,970	\$22,310	\$27,180
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	 + OJT	1,610	45.2%	\$29,940	\$37,720	\$48,330
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists		1,340	12.4%	\$18,860	\$23,090	\$30,370
Computer user support specialists	 + OJT	1,230	18.3%	\$32,840	\$41,760	\$54,520
Paralegals and legal assistants		1,130	32.1%	\$36,500	\$46,310	\$59,960
Preschool teachers, except special education		1,080	19.2%	\$20,190	\$23,580	\$29,220
Firefighters	 + OJT	910	10.2%	\$36,270	\$48,060	\$67,070
Dental assistants		810	28.6%	\$28,710	\$34,620	\$41,000
Dental hygienists		560	35.5%	\$54,630	\$64,890	\$73,460
Radiologic technologists		500	25.2%	\$40,600	\$50,200	\$59,380
First-line supervisors of production and operating workers		480	7.5%	\$41,350	\$52,140	\$67,420
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics		470	29.3%	\$24,680	\$30,370	\$37,010
Telecommunications equipment installers and repairers, except line installers	 + OJT	440	7.4%	\$35,130	\$48,360	\$63,850
Aircraft mechanics and service technicians		410	10.2%	\$41,760	\$53,570	\$65,610

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	EDUCATION/ TRAINING REQUIRED	AVERAGE ANNUAL OPENINGS	GROWTH RATE	25th Percentile	Median	75th Percentile
Veterinary technologists and technicians		400	37.6%	\$24,730	\$29,570	\$35,310
Medical records and health information technicians		380	19.5%	\$28,010	\$35,100	\$45,610
Computer network support specialists		350	17.5%	\$38,400	\$49,490	\$70,920

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PROMISING OCCUPATIONS IN
Georgia

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2014 ANNUAL WAGE

25th Percentile Median 75th Percentile

	EDUCATION/ TRAINING REQUIRED	AVERAGE ANNUAL OPENINGS	GROWTH RATE	25th Percentile	Median	75th Percentile
Registered nurses		2,300	16.0%		\$52,630	\$62,520
Teacher assistants		1,560	24.8%	\$17,200	\$18,950	\$22,710
Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	 + OJT	1,540	14.2%	\$28,900	\$39,270	\$50,270
Nursing assistants		1,460	21.2%	\$18,700	\$21,670	\$24,670
Medical assistants		1,210	49.9%	\$24,420	\$28,410	\$33,890
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses		1,140	24.6%	\$32,520	\$37,620	\$43,880
Computer user support specialists	 + OJT	870	28.0%	\$36,160	\$47,190	\$62,770
Preschool teachers, except special education		670	27.6%	\$23,710	\$28,920	\$37,860
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics		550	30.4%	\$24,910	\$29,540	\$37,080
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists		470	11.3%	\$18,430	\$23,080	\$30,800
Medical and clinical laboratory technicians		460	30.3%	\$27,650	\$34,140	\$43,010
Dental assistants		450	37.3%	\$27,870	\$34,000	\$41,010
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	 + OJT	430	24.5%	\$32,620	\$40,970	\$53,010
Firefighters	 + OJT	390	10.8%	\$25,930	\$32,740	\$40,720
Paralegals and legal assistants		370	24.7%	\$40,840	\$52,410	\$66,420
Dental hygienists		370	48.3%	\$53,600	\$64,050	\$74,980
Telecommunications equipment installers and repairers, except line installers	 + OJT	330	22.1%	\$34,730	\$51,090	\$68,790
First-line supervisors of production and operating workers		310	3.7%	\$40,750	\$53,050	\$69,370
Aircraft mechanics and service technicians		250	3.2%	\$47,360	\$56,450	\$75,850

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Georgia

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25th Percentile **Median** 75th Percentile

Medical records and health information technicians		240	27.1%	\$26,690 \$33,420 \$43,670
Radiologic technologists		200	22.7%	\$42,230 \$50,790 \$60,580
Computer network support specialists		150	10.4%	\$49,250 \$66,800 \$86,500

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PROMISING OCCUPATIONS IN Kentucky

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TRAINING
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2014 ANNUAL WAGE

25th Percentile Median 75th Percentile

	EDUCATION/ TRAINING REQUIRED	AVERAGE ANNUAL OPENINGS	GROWTH RATE	25th Percentile	Median	75th Percentile
Registered nurses		2,150	20.1%	\$48,310	\$57,120	\$67,490
Teacher assistants		620	8.7%	\$21,300	\$24,500	\$29,950
Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	 + OJT	600	7.7%	\$29,950	\$38,010	\$47,870
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses		460	21.8%	\$33,180	\$37,460	\$43,400
Medical assistants		440	37.0%	\$23,370	\$27,550	\$32,250
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics		290	35.5%	\$22,160	\$27,770	\$35,580
Computer user support specialists	 + OJT	230	17.6%	\$28,800	\$38,910	\$49,670
Dental assistants		210	30.9%	\$26,790	\$32,990	\$39,670
Firefighters	 + OJT	200	31.0%	\$24,830	\$32,400	\$38,660
First-line supervisors of production and operating workers		200	3.7%	\$40,510	\$52,340	\$67,050
Preschool teachers, except special education		170	15.4%	\$25,350	\$36,960	\$48,960
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists		170	4.8%	\$17,500	\$19,880	\$27,100
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	 + OJT	170	11.4%	\$30,570	\$38,140	\$48,910
Medical records and health information technicians		150	24.5%	\$26,750	\$33,340	\$42,220
Radiologic technologists		140	21.8%	\$40,600	\$49,410	\$59,230
Computer, automated teller, and office machine repairers		120	11.1%	\$23,390	\$29,950	\$38,130
Dental hygienists		110	40.3%	\$48,980	\$56,530	\$65,740
Telecommunications equipment installers and repairers, except line installers	 + OJT	100	24.4%	\$32,130	\$46,810	\$66,940

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PROMISING OCCUPATIONS IN
Kentucky

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25th Percentile **Median** 75th Percentile

	EDUCATION/ TRAINING REQUIRED	AVERAGE ANNUAL OPENINGS	GROWTH RATE	25th Percentile	Median	75th Percentile
Medical and clinical laboratory technicians		90	28.9%	\$31,050	\$37,600	\$45,460
Respiratory therapists		80	20.5%	\$40,760	\$46,730	\$54,590
Paralegals and legal assistants		70	12.8%	\$33,570	\$43,380	\$53,110

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PROMISING OCCUPATIONS IN Mississippi

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25th Percentile Median 75th Percentile

Occupation	Education/Training Required	Average Annual Openings	Growth Rate	25th Percentile	Median	75th Percentile
Registered nurses		960	13.2%	\$45,450	\$54,940	\$66,340
Nursing assistants		560	14.4%	\$17,720	\$20,370	\$23,260
Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	 + OJT	550	8.3%	\$28,860	\$36,740	\$46,620
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses		470	18.7%	\$31,460	\$35,750	\$40,990
Teacher assistants		360	10.2%	\$16,820	\$18,180	\$19,640
Preschool teachers, except special education		140	15.4%	\$18,910	\$23,400	\$33,480
First-line supervisors of production and operating workers		110	0.8%	\$36,530	\$47,550	\$64,780
Medical and clinical laboratory technicians		100	23.2%	\$27,010	\$34,130	\$39,570
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics		100	21.7%	\$23,880	\$30,150	\$39,740
Dental assistants		90	17.6%	\$25,580	\$29,270	\$36,880
Computer user support specialists	 + OJT	80	17.4%	\$31,000	\$39,450	\$49,540
Medical records and health information technicians		80	14.7%	\$22,220	\$28,090	\$36,700
Medical assistants		80	21.2%	\$22,080	\$26,060	\$30,310
Radiologic technologists		60	14.0%	\$39,420	\$45,900	\$54,960
Firefighters	 + OJT	60	10.2%	\$22,960	\$29,680	\$37,440
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	 + OJT	60	4.9%	\$24,510	\$33,680	\$44,520
Paralegals and legal assistants		50	14.9%	\$31,540	\$41,030	\$55,550
Library technicians		50	11.8%	\$17,640	\$19,980	\$25,430
Surgical technologists		50	22.2%	\$29,300	\$35,140	\$41,740
Respiratory therapists		40	12.0%	\$41,130	\$47,130	\$54,970

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Mississippi

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PROMISING OCCUPATIONS IN North Carolina

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25th Percentile Median 75th Percentile

Occupation	Education/Training Required	Average Annual Openings	Growth Rate	25th Percentile	Median	75th Percentile
Registered nurses		3,490	20.4%	\$49,910	\$58,930	\$70,090
Nursing assistants		2,480	26.6%	\$19,030	\$22,180	\$25,940
Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	+ OJT	1,520	13.4%	\$29,960	\$37,060	\$46,010
Teacher assistants		1,080	11.5%	\$20,540	\$22,540	\$24,600
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses		820	25.3%	\$36,440	\$41,880	\$46,730
Preschool teachers, except special education		730	23.3%	\$20,020	\$24,160	\$30,210
Medical assistants		730	31.8%	\$25,710	\$29,360	\$34,360
Computer user support specialists	+ OJT	660	18.2%	\$36,170	\$46,670	\$59,590
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	+ OJT	650	31.0%	\$32,430	\$38,770	\$48,090
Dental assistants		580	44.4%	\$32,440	\$37,190	\$44,220
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists		520	13.6%	\$17,820	\$21,550	\$30,690
Dental hygienists		500	55.7%	\$58,290	\$67,470	\$75,170
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics		480	22.0%	\$25,920	\$31,870	\$37,860
Paralegals and legal assistants		440	27.2%	\$32,640	\$40,750	\$51,390
Medical and clinical laboratory technicians		440	32.9%	\$33,640	\$39,780	\$46,920
Firefighters	+ OJT	400	3.9%	\$23,390	\$30,530	\$39,430
Medical records and health information technicians		260	22.3%	\$26,790	\$32,360	\$41,130
Radiologic technologists		250	23.9%	\$44,670	\$54,040	\$63,630
Telecommunications equipment installers and repairers, except line installers	+ OJT	190	14.7%	\$36,590	\$47,970	\$59,960
Phlebotomists		180	31.0%	\$23,860	\$27,850	\$32,640

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North Carolina

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Aircraft mechanics and service technicians		150	11.0%	\$45,100	\$52,800	\$58,820
Computer network support specialists		140	8.1%	\$41,550	\$57,970	\$79,070

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PROMISING OCCUPATIONS IN
South Carolina

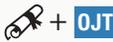
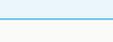
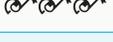
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Registered nurses		1,670	18.9%	\$48,690	\$58,350	\$69,930
Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	 + OJT	800	18.8%	\$30,640	\$38,640	\$47,550
Nursing assistants		780	22.0%	\$19,280	\$21,960	\$24,810
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses		470	23.6%	\$33,510	\$39,000	\$45,140
Teacher assistants		440	9.0%	\$17,670	\$20,010	\$24,290
Medical assistants		380	27.7%	\$24,110	\$28,120	\$33,290
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics		240	20.2%	\$24,820	\$29,740	\$36,890
Computer user support specialists	 + OJT	210	21.4%	\$33,170	\$42,750	\$53,890
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	 + OJT	210	22.0%	\$31,620	\$38,100	\$46,560
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists		200	14.1%	\$17,510	\$20,000	\$27,580
Preschool teachers, except special education		180	16.7%	\$17,930	\$21,910	\$35,510
Paralegals and legal assistants		160	20.1%	\$33,310	\$40,660	\$49,010
Dental assistants		160	25.7%	\$29,730	\$34,450	\$38,860
Firefighters	 + OJT	160	6.6%	\$26,210	\$32,040	\$38,670
First-line supervisors of production and operating workers		160	0.7%	\$43,530	\$57,870	\$74,080
Dental hygienists		150	34.9%	\$44,900	\$54,020	\$62,310
Medical records and health information technicians		140	23.5%	\$25,960	\$32,590	\$42,490
Radiologic technologists		120	21.0%	\$39,600	\$47,800	\$58,430
Telecommunications equipment installers and repairers, except line installers	 + OJT	70	8.9%	\$35,810	\$48,110	\$64,260

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PROMISING OCCUPATIONS IN
South Carolina

EDUCATION/
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2014 ANNUAL WAGE

25th Percentile **Median** 75th Percentile

	EDUCATION/ TRAINING REQUIRED	AVERAGE ANNUAL OPENINGS	GROWTH RATE	25th Percentile	Median	75th Percentile
Respiratory therapists		60	18.1%	\$44,440	\$52,490	\$60,090
Computer network support specialists		40	4.9%	\$42,600	\$53,850	\$68,950

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PROMISING OCCUPATIONS IN Tennessee

EDUCATION/
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Occupation	Education/Training Required	Average Annual Openings	Growth Rate	25th Percentile	Median	75th Percentile
Registered nurses		1,880	14.0%	\$47,970	\$56,370	\$65,830
Heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers	 + OJT	1,790	14.8%	\$30,350	\$38,680	\$48,860
Nursing assistants		1,030	14.1%	\$19,320	\$22,270	\$25,950
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses		990	19.0%	\$32,060	\$36,000	\$40,840
Teacher assistants		770	14.1%	\$17,480	\$19,600	\$24,480
Medical assistants		640	28.3%	\$24,300	\$28,050	\$32,890
Preschool teachers, except special education		490	21.9%	\$18,350	\$23,770	\$39,840
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics		410	23.7%	\$24,380	\$30,120	\$37,720
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists		410	19.3%	\$18,520	\$23,630	\$32,550
Paralegals and legal assistants		310	48.7%	\$38,420	\$47,910	\$59,460
Medical and clinical laboratory technicians		310	20.6%	\$27,830	\$34,960	\$43,790
First-line supervisors of production and operating workers		260	2.5%	\$38,670	\$50,340	\$65,020
Computer user support specialists	 + OJT	250	20.9%	\$33,560	\$42,340	\$53,420
Dental assistants		230	20.6%	\$28,700	\$34,600	\$40,440
Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers	 + OJT	220	14.1%	\$30,540	\$38,950	\$50,660
Medical records and health information technicians		200	23.2%	\$25,460	\$30,960	\$38,840
Dental hygienists		190	28.6%	\$55,660	\$66,230	\$73,620
Firefighters	 + OJT	190	12.0%	\$29,800	\$37,470	\$48,310
Radiologic technologists		180	17.1%	\$40,480	\$48,850	\$58,110

 = some college, no degree

 = post-secondary non-degree award

 = associate's degree

OJT = on-the-job training

	EDUCATION/ TRAINING REQUIRED	AVERAGE ANNUAL OPENINGS	GROWTH RATE	25th Percentile	Median	75th Percentile
Telecommunications equipment installers and repairers, except line installers	 + OJT	180	21.7%	\$29,420	\$39,820	\$65,470
Surgical technologists		110	26.2%	\$32,800	\$37,470	\$44,200
Respiratory therapists		90	11.3%	\$42,420	\$48,170	\$56,280
Computer network support specialists		60	9.4%	\$45,230	\$56,120	\$71,380



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