

Industries with the Most Expected Annual Job Openings

Nearly 100 industry subsectors were analyzed to identify the 20 expected to have the most annual job openings in Georgia for the 2015-2017 projection period. The 20 industries in the chart below represent about two-thirds of the total annual openings in all industry subsectors during the projected period. The total number of new positions and job replacements are listed with the annual openings for each industry subsector.

PR	CR	Industry	New Positions	Job Replacements	Annual Openings
1	1	Food Services and Drinking Places	13,130	8,100	21,230
3	2	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	10,700	5,630	16,330
2	3	Administrative and Support Services	9,260	6,250	15,510
5	4	Educational Services	0	8,820	8,820
6	5	Ambulatory Health Care Services	3,770	4,400	8,170
13	6	Hospitals	2,260	4,090	6,350
4	7	Specialty Trade Contractors	3,390	2,320	5,710
9	8	Self-Employed and Unpaid Family Workers	0	5,280	5,280
7	9	Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals	1,970	3,280	5,250
11	10	General Merchandise Stores	2,620	2,390	5,010
8	11	Food and Beverage Stores	2,490	2,130	4,620
20	12	Social Assistance	2,680	1,700	4,380
12	13	Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	2,480	1,430	3,910
14	14	Management of Companies and Enterprises	2,200	1,470	3,670
10	15	Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	1,170	2,350	3,520
18	16	Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	1,780	1,620	3,400
NR	17	Food Manufacturing	1,750	1,490	3,240
17	18	Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	1,860	1,360	3,220
NR	19	Truck Transportation	2,020	1,110	3,130
NR	20	Real Estate	1,920	960	2,880

PR= Previous Rank, CR= Current Rank, NR=Not Ranked

Top Five Occupations with the Most Annual Openings within the Highest Demand Industries

Food Services and Drinking Places: combined food preparation and serving workers, including fast food; waiters and waitresses; supervisors of food preparation and serving workers; cooks, fast food; cashiers

Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services: accountants and auditors; management analysts; software developers, applications; computer analysts; lawyers

Administrative and Support Services: laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand; janitors and cleaners, except maids and housekeeping cleaners; customer service representatives; security guards; team assemblers

Educational Services: self-enrichment education teachers; nursing instructors and teachers, postsecondary; mathematical science teachers, postsecondary; biological science teachers, postsecondary; psychology teachers, postsecondary

Ambulatory Health Care Services: registered nurses; medical assistants; receptionists and information clerks; licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses; home health aides

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Occupations with the Most Annual Openings within the Highest Demand Industries

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Hospitals: registered nurses; nursing assistants; licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses; maids and housekeeping cleaners; respiratory therapists

Specialty Trade Contractors: electricians; construction laborers; plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters; supervisors of construction trades and extraction workers; electrician helpers

Self-Employed and Unpaid Family Workers: taxi drivers and chauffeurs; nursing assistants; home health aides; physical therapists; licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses

Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals: police and sheriff's patrol officers; firefighters; correctional officers and jailers; court, municipal, and license clerks; recreation workers

General Merchandise Stores: retail salespersons; stock clerks and order fillers; supervisors of retail sales workers; supervisors of office and administrative support workers; laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand

Food and Beverage Stores: cashiers; stock clerks and order fillers; food preparation workers; customer service representatives; packers and packagers, hand

Social Assistance: childcare workers; preschool teachers, except special education; personal care aides; home health aides; teacher assistants

Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers: retail salespersons; automotive service technicians and mechanics; parts salespersons; tire repairers and changers; supervisors of retail sales workers

Management of Companies and Enterprises: customer service representatives; general and operations managers; accountants and auditors; computer and information systems managers; management analysts

Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods: sales representatives, wholesale and manufacturing, except technical and scientific products; laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand; general and operations managers; customer service representatives; stock clerks and order fillers

Insurance Carriers and Related Activities: insurance sales agents; customer service representatives; insurance claims and policy processing clerks; claims adjusters, examiners, and investigators; general and operations managers

Food Manufacturing: meat, poultry, and fish cutters and trimmers; packaging and filling machine operators and tenders; laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand; packers and packagers, hand; slaughterers and meat packers

Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods: sales representatives, wholesale and manufacturing, except technical and scientific products; laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand; heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers; driver/sales workers; stock clerks and order fillers

Truck Transportation: heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers; laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand; light truck or delivery services drivers; bus and truck mechanics and diesel engine specialists; dispatchers, except police, fire, and ambulance

Real Estate: maintenance and repair workers, general; real estate agents; counter and rental clerks; office clerks, general; secretaries and administrative assistants, except legal, medical, and executive

2015 - 2017

Short-term Employment Projections



Georgia Jobs expected to be in highest demand over the next two years

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GEORGIA'S TOP JOBS BY EDUCATION AND MOST EXPECTED ANNUAL OPENINGS FOR 2015-2017

Georgia's economy will continue to grow over this two-year employment projection cycle. With the state's economy showing a fifth consecutive year of average job growth in 2015, many of the industries in the state are improved and are projected to continue expansion through 2017.

Over the projection period (2015-2017), we estimate that over 84,000 new positions will come available each year due to growth and will need to be filled. We also project that over 103,000 replacement job openings will arise each year from the need to replace workers who retire, transfer to other positions, or leave the labor force permanently. During this short-term projection cycle, Georgia job openings (new jobs plus replacements jobs) will approach 187,000 annually while total employment is projected to grow by over 160,000 from 2015-2017.

This brochure lists the jobs that will be in the most demand from 2015-2017. Each table shows the top occupations with the most annual openings by education level. Annual openings are separated into those resulting from growth (new positions) and those resulting from replacements. Annual wages from the 2015 Edition of the Georgia Wage Survey are also displayed for each occupation.

Doctoral or Professional Degree

Occupation	New Positions	Job Replacements	Annual Openings	Annual Wage
Lawyers	360	240	600	\$135,300
Pharmacists	130	210	340	\$119,600
Physical Therapists	140	130	270	\$84,200
Veterinarians	70	30	100	\$94,200
Clinical, Counseling, & School Psychologists	20	60	80	\$74,000
Dentists, General	10	50	60	\$194,500
Family and General Practitioners	10	50	60	\$228,300
Surgeons	10	30	40	\$260,500
Internists, General	0	40	40	\$252,200
Optometrists	10	30	40	\$117,400

Master's Degree

Occupation	New Positions	Job Replacements	Annual Openings	Annual Wage
Ed Admins, Elem & Secondary School	0	210	210	\$88,700
Healthcare Social Workers	90	110	200	\$49,100

Master's Degree Continued

Occupation	New Positions	Job Replacements	Annual Openings	Annual Wage
Nurse Practitioners	110	80	190	\$92,300
Ed, Guidance, School, & Vocational Counselors	0	130	130	\$57,600
Physician Assistants	60	60	120	\$96,900
Education Administrators, Postsec	0	110	110	\$108,300
Occupational Therapists	70	40	110	\$80,900
Speech-Language Pathologists	30	70	100	\$71,000
Librarians	0	80	80	\$60,200
Mental Health Counselors	30	30	60	\$44,700

Bachelor's Degree

Occupation	New Positions	Job Replacements	Annual Openings	Annual Wage
General and Operations Managers	2,010	1,910	3,920	\$112,900
Registered Nurses	1,320	1,630	2,950	\$63,600
Accountants and Auditors	1,140	1,000	2,140	\$78,200
Management Analysts	730	350	1,080	\$94,200
Software Developers, Applications	800	250	1,050	\$93,300
Elem School Teachers, Exc Spec Ed	0	1,050	1,050	\$55,100
Computer Systems Analysts	790	200	990	\$83,100
Market Research Analysts & Marketing Specialists	540	160	700	\$64,600
Financial Managers	330	340	670	\$129,700
Human Resources Specialists	300	350	650	\$58,100

Associate's Degree

Occupation	New Positions	Job Replacements	Annual Openings	Annual Wage
Preschool Teachers, Exc Spec Ed	250	330	580	\$32,000
Paralegals and Legal Assistants	260	160	420	\$56,300
Medical & Clinical Laboratory Techs	90	140	230	\$37,100
Computer Network Support Specialists	120	70	190	\$70,000
Web Developers	130	40	170	\$76,300
Respiratory Therapists	80	90	170	\$53,800
Electrical & Electronics Engineering Techs	70	90	160	\$61,700
Veterinary Technologists & Technicians	130	20	150	\$28,500
Radiologic Technologists	50	90	140	\$52,600
Dental Hygienists	50	80	130	\$65,000

Postsecondary Nondegree Award

Occupation	New Positions	Job Replacements	Annual Openings	Annual Wage
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	1,830	880	2,710	\$41,500
Nursing Assistants	760	840	1,600	\$22,800
Licensed Practical & Licensed Voc Nurses	310	730	1,040	\$38,800
Automotive Service Techs & Mechanics	200	660	860	\$38,700
Medical Assistants	370	440	810	\$30,100
Firefighters	160	300	460	\$34,500
Heating, Air Cond, & Refrig Mechanics & Installers	280	140	420	\$44,000
Aircraft Mechanics & Service Techs	200	200	400	\$60,500
Hairdressers, Hairstylists, & Cosmetologists	20	340	360	\$27,200
Emergency Medical Technicians & Paramedics	210	140	350	\$32,300

Some College, No Degree

Occupation	New Positions	Job Replacements	Annual Openings	Annual Wage
Bookkeeping, Accounting, & Auditing Clerks	330	470	800	\$37,500
Computer User Support Specialists	570	220	790	\$52,500
Teacher Assistants	0	740	740	\$20,700

High School Diploma or Equivalent

Occupation	New Positions	Job Replacements	Annual Openings	Annual Wage
Customer Service Representatives	2,240	2,120	4,360	\$34,700
Office Clerks, General	1,290	1,680	2,970	\$27,700
Team Assemblers	1,550	1,010	2,560	\$28,600
Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	1,160	1,070	2,230	\$37,400
Sales Reps, Wholesale & Mfg Exc Tech & Scientific Products	1,130	980	2,110	\$61,400
Supvsrs of Food Prep & Serving Workers	1,010	910	1,920	\$28,900
Secretaries & Admin Assistants, Exc Legal, Med, & Executive	980	650	1,630	\$34,300
Childcare Workers	210	1,360	1,570	\$20,800
Supvsrs of Retail Sales Workers	490	1,070	1,560	\$40,100
Receptionists and Information Clerks	540	990	1,530	\$27,900

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