

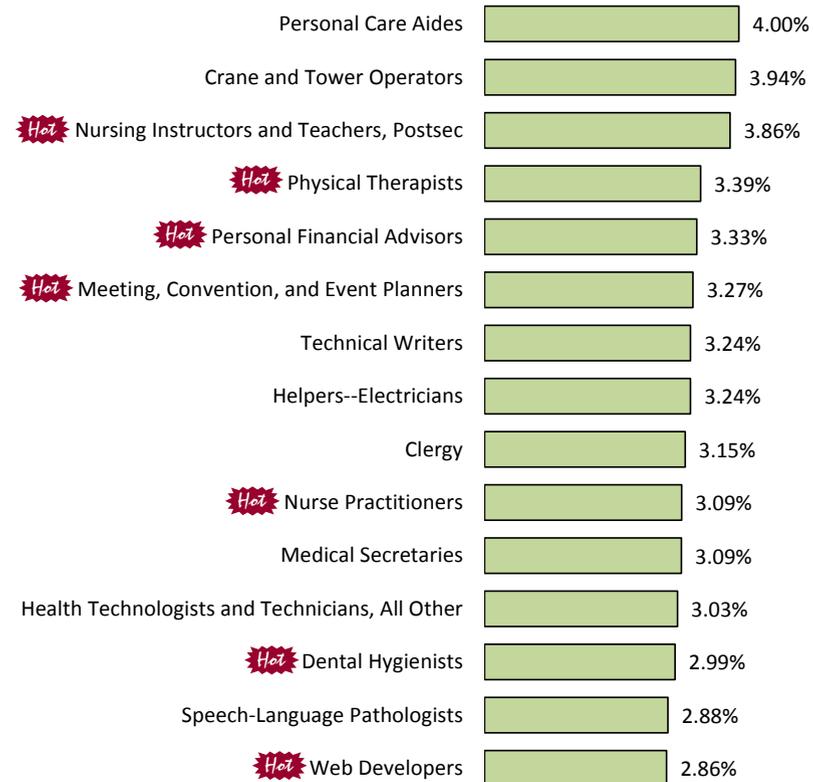
Fastest Growing Occupations

These fast-growing occupations will have better employment prospects than occupations with slow or declining employment. Also, conditions will be more favorable for mobility and advancement.

Five of the listed occupations are in healthcare.

On a statewide basis, seven have earned the **Hot** designation for this projections period.

Nearly half of these occupations generally require a bachelor's degree.



Occupations with the Most Annual Openings

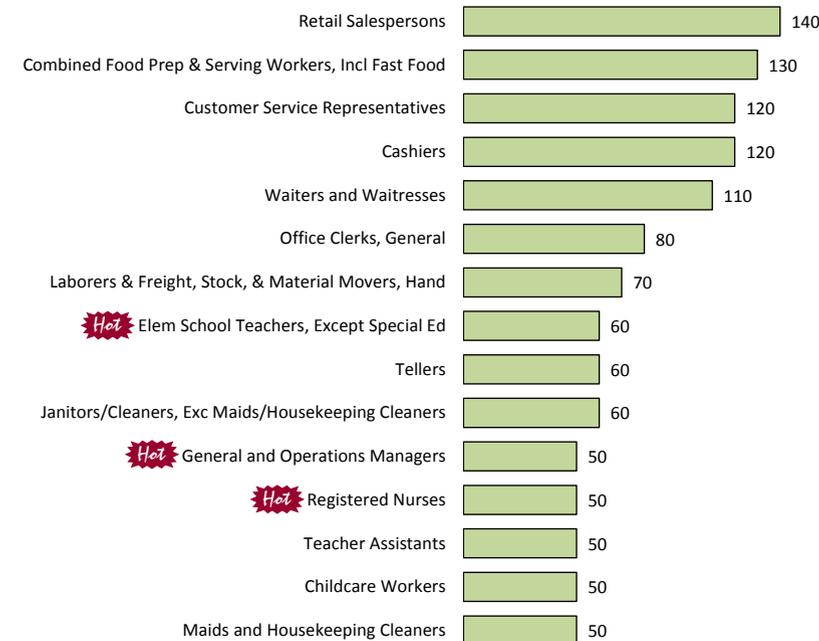
Over 75 percent (930) of the total annual openings (1,200) on this list will result from the need to replace workers who change jobs rather than from new job creation (270).

Three of these jobs are in office and administrative support.

Three occupations have been designated as **Hot** on a statewide basis through 2022.

Four of these occupations generally require at least some college.

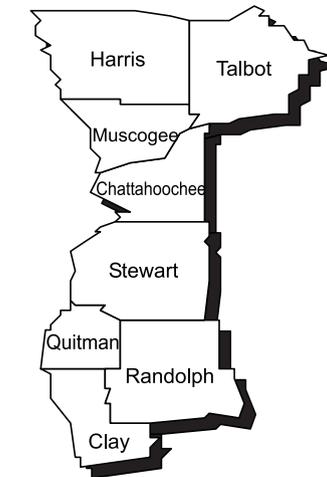
Although these occupations have many projected annual openings, more than half of them pay less than the state average wage.



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Projections to 2022

WIA #14 – Lower Chattahoochee

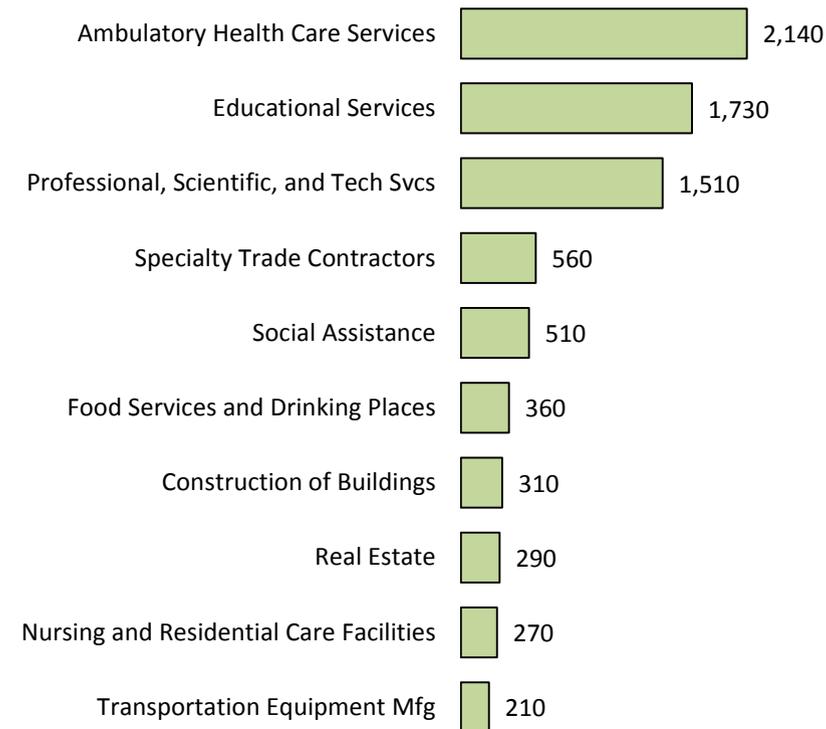


This area is made up of eight counties in west Georgia in and around the city of Columbus. It includes the following counties: Chattahoochee, Clay, Harris, Muscogee, Quitman, Randolph, Stewart, and Talbot.

Total Industry Growth

Total employment in Lower Chattahoochee WIA #14 is projected to grow from more than 113,000 in 2012 to over 122,000 by the year 2022, which equates to an average of about 900 new jobs added each year. This area is the home of a regional medical center and a major military base. It is also the location of a large international insurer, as well as a major credit card holding company. Substantial employment can be found in health services, education services, finance and insurance, and the federal government.

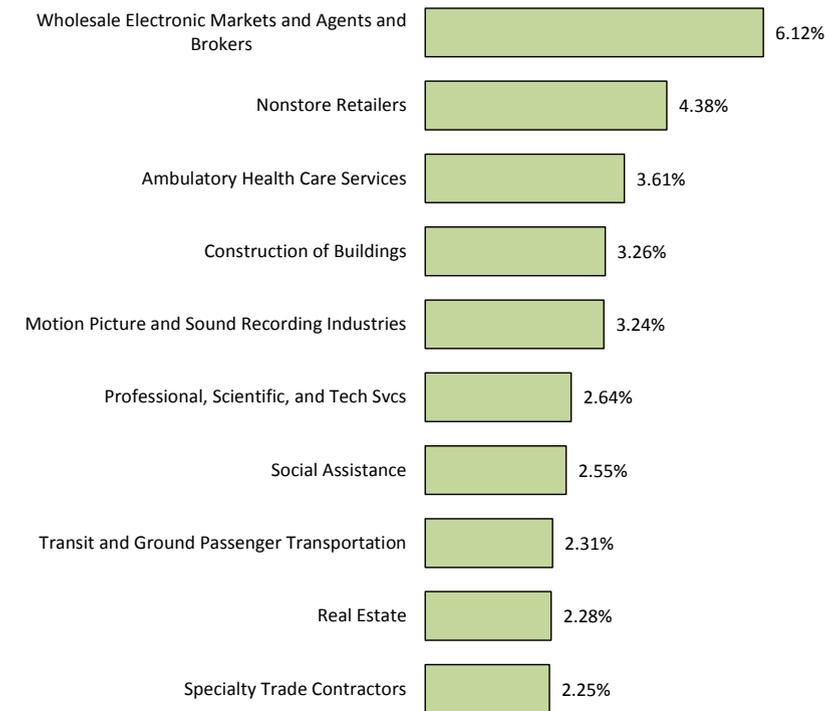
The top ten industries in this area with the most job growth are listed below.



Industry Rate of Growth

In WIA #14 – Lower Chattahoochee, employment is projected to grow at a rate of about 0.7 percent per year through 2022. Job growth in the area is below the statewide annual average growth of 1.5 percent and falls below the national average of 1.1 percent.

The ten fastest growing industries in this area are listed below.



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Occupations with the Most Growth

These 15 occupations – out of more than 800 - are projected to add about 3,900 jobs over the next 10 years, which will comprise 44 percent of all projected job growth in this area.

Two occupations generally require a bachelor's degree.

Five of these occupations are in office and administrative support.

Two of the 15 occupations made the coveted list of Georgia's **Hot** Careers to 2022 for their fast job growth, high wages, and plentiful job openings.

