

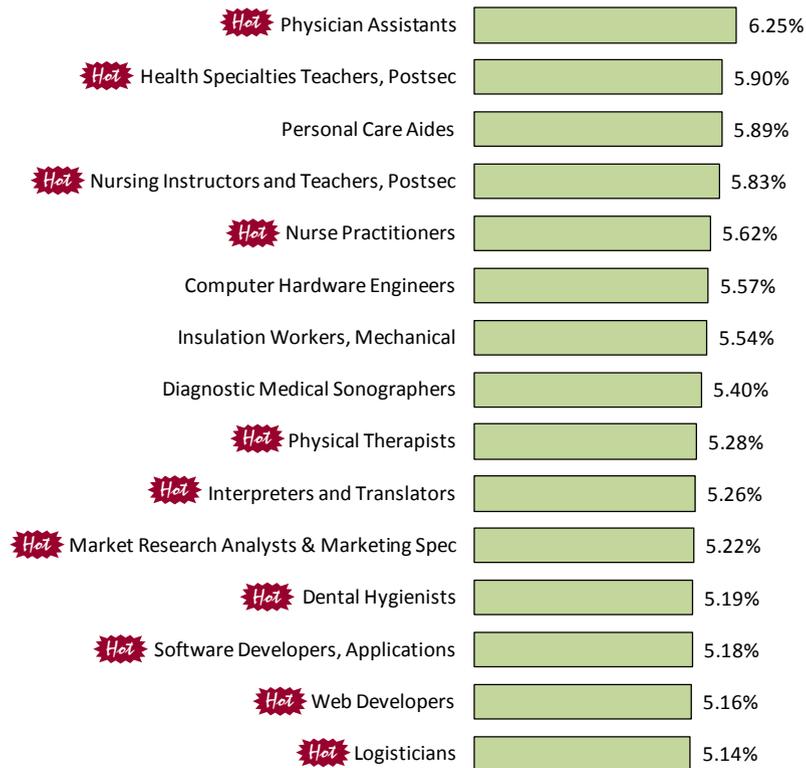
## Fastest Growing Occupations

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.

Half of the fastest growing occupations are in healthcare, computers, and business operations.

One-third of these occupations generally do not require a bachelor's degree.

Eleven of these occupations have received the **Hot** label on a statewide basis through the 2022 projections period.



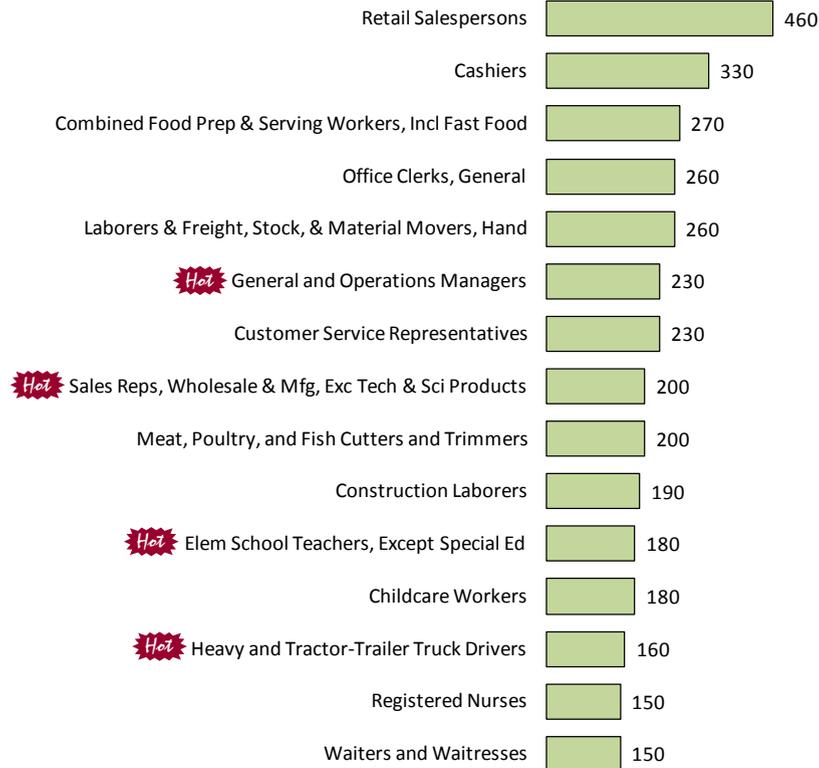
## Occupations with the Most Annual Openings

Job openings in this list are evenly balanced with replacement workers and new job creation.

Two of the 15 occupations generally require a bachelor's degree.

On a statewide level, four of these occupations have received the **Hot** designation.

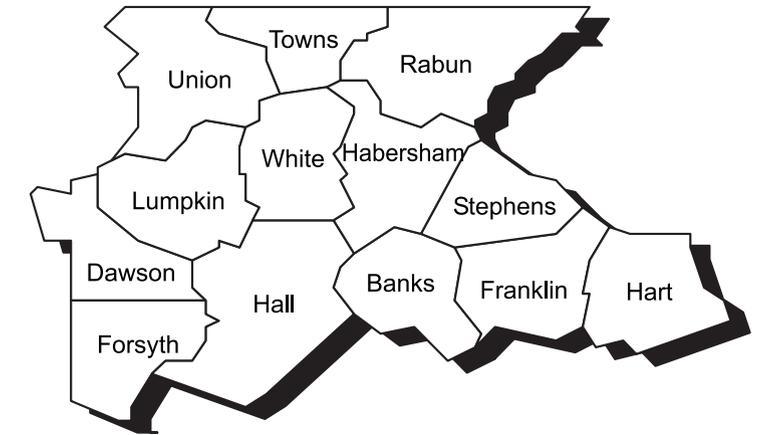
Although these occupations have many projected annual openings, most of them pay below the state's average wage, and do not generally require a college degree.



# Georgia Area Workforce Trends

## Projections to 2022

### WIA #2 – Georgia Mountains



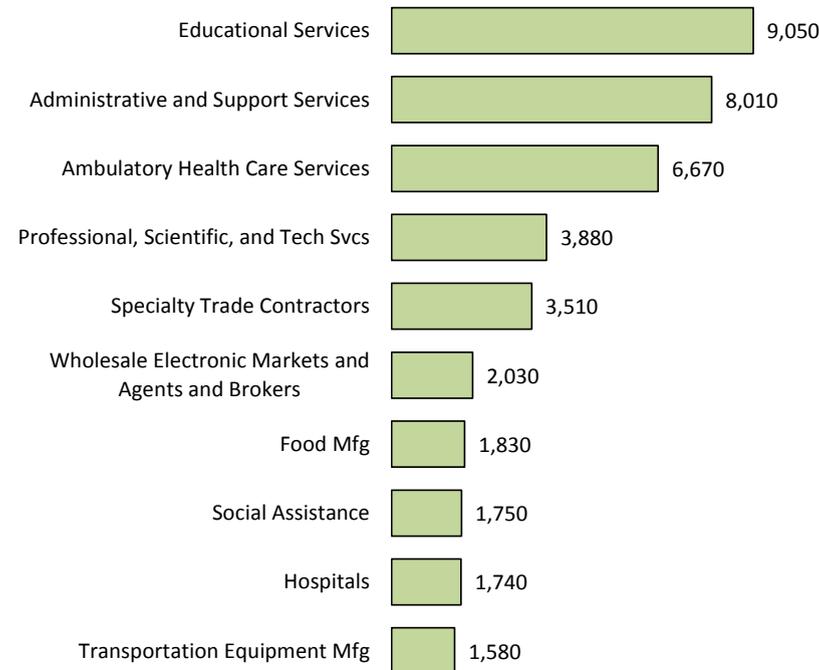
This area is made up of 13 counties in northeast Georgia comprising the southern tip of the Blue Ridge Mountains. It includes the following counties: Banks, Dawson, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union and White.

## Total Industry Growth

Total employment in Georgia Mountains WIA #2 is expected to reach 283,000 by the year 2022, up from over 221,000 jobs in 2012. The growth equates to an average of more than 6,100 new jobs added each year. One of this area's main industries is poultry processing.

A principal city in the area, Gainesville, has been titled the "Poultry Capital of the World", as it is the national leader in the production of broiler chickens and the third largest producer of chicken eggs, making it the state's largest manufacturer of food products. Key industries in addition to food product manufacturing include education, health services, administrative and support services, and construction.

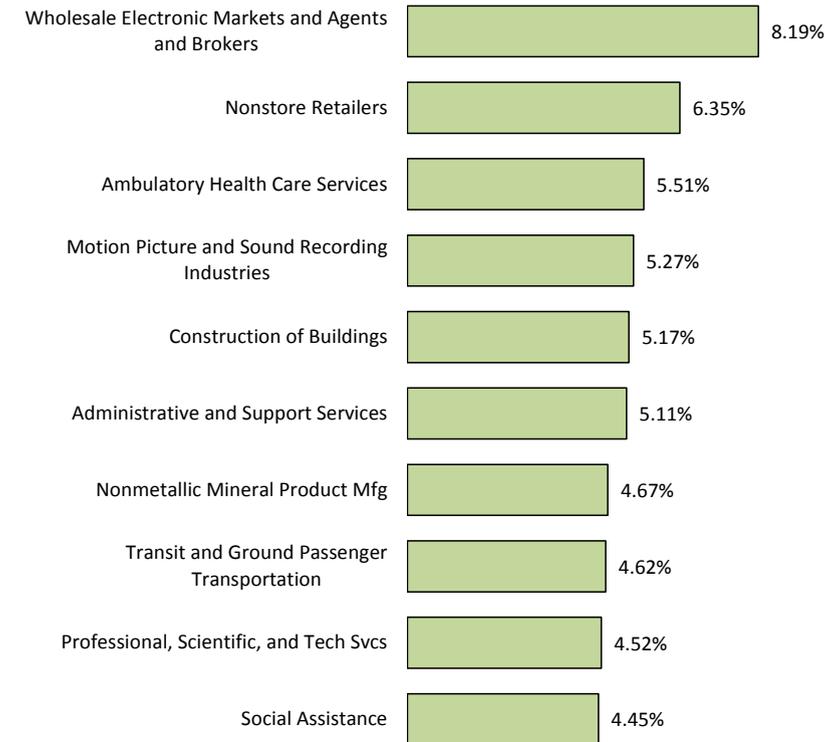
The top ten industries in this area with the most job growth are listed below.



## Industry Rate of Growth

The Georgia Mountains WIA is expected to show strong job growth through 2022. At 2.5 percent per year, the region is tied with the Atlanta Regional WIA for the fastest projected job growth in the state. WIA #2 will add jobs considerably faster than Georgia (1.5 percent) and the nation (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 more than 18,000 jobs over the next 10 years, almost 30 percent of all projected job growth in Georgia Mountains.

Two of these occupations (Elementary School Teachers and General/Operations Managers) generally require a college degree.

On a statewide level, four of these occupations have received the **Hot** label for their fast growth, high wages, and plentiful job openings over the projections period.

