

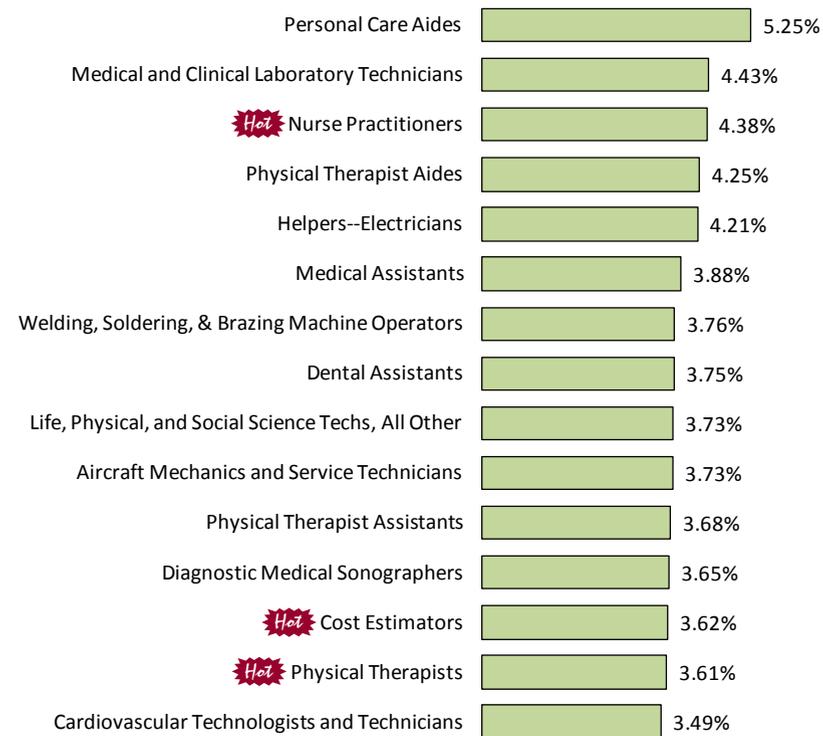
Fastest Growing Occupations

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.

Nine of the fastest growing occupations are in the healthcare field.

Eight of the 15 occupations typically require at least an associate's degree.

Three occupations have earned the **Hot** label for this projection period on a statewide basis.



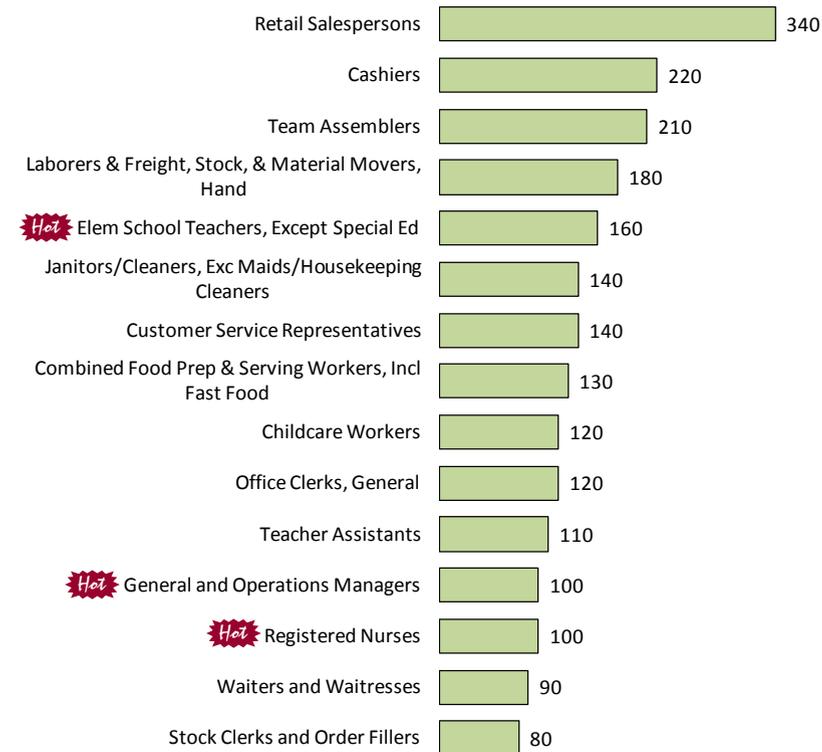
Occupations with the Most Annual Openings

Most of the annual openings in this list will result from the need to replace workers who change jobs rather than from new job creation.

Four of these jobs typically require at least some college.

Three occupations have been designated **Hot** on a statewide basis for this projections period.

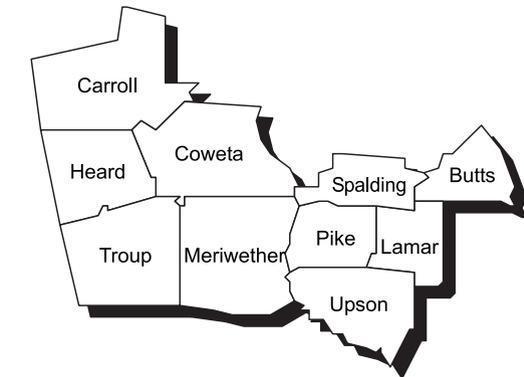
Although these occupations have many projected annual openings, more than half of them pay less than the average state wage.



Georgia Area Workforce Trends

Projections to 2022

WIA #8 – West Central Georgia

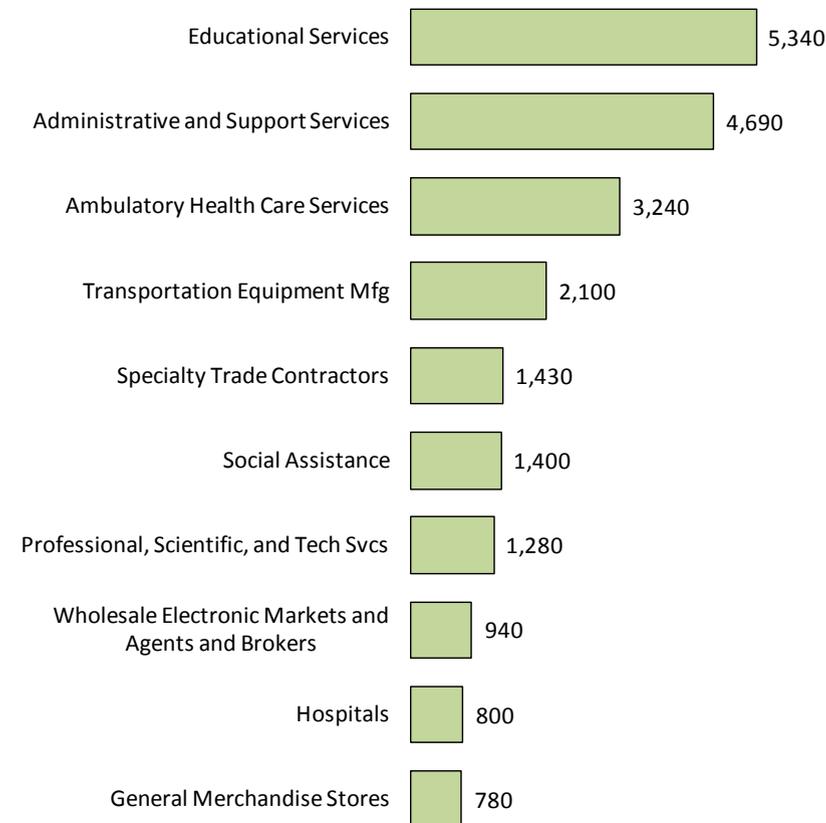


This area is made up of 10 counties in west central Georgia in and around the cities of Carrollton, LaGrange and Newnan. It includes the following counties: Butts, Carroll, Coweta, Heard, Lamar, Meriwether, Pike, Spalding, Troup and Upson.

Total Industry Growth

Total employment in West Central Georgia WIA #8 is expected to grow from just over 162,000 in 2012 to more than 189,000 by the year 2022, which equates to an average of 2,700 new jobs added each year. Key industries include primary metal manufacturing, transportation equipment manufacturing, educational services, health care services, and administrative and support services.

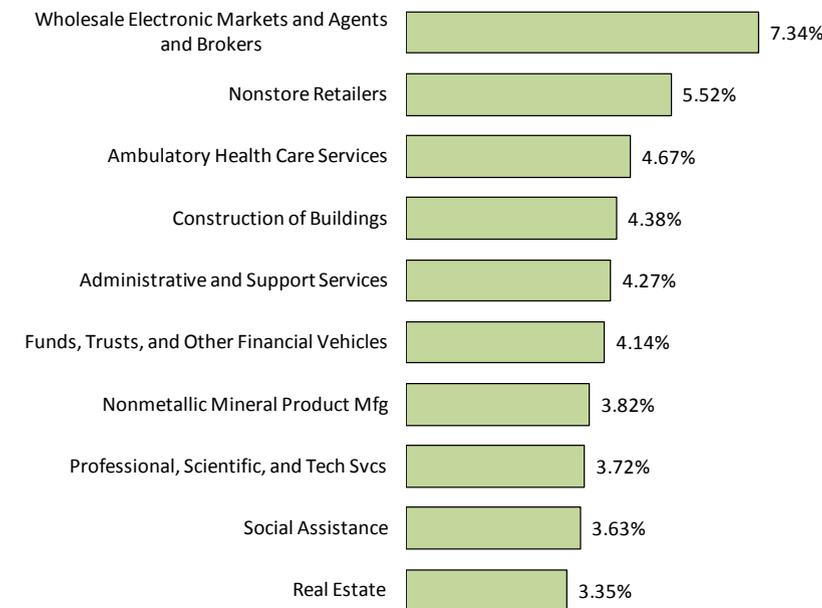
The top ten industries in this area with the most job growth are listed below.



Industry Rate of Growth

WIA #8 - West Central Georgia's economy is projected to grow employment by 1.6 percent per year through 2022. A large reason for the job growth is the transportation equipment industry and suppliers which continue to be a major economic engine for the area and has shown no signs of slowing down. The area's average annual job growth over the projection cycle at 1.6 percent is above the job growth of the state (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 11,000 jobs over the next 10 years, about 42 percent of all projected job growth in this area.

Four of the occupations with the most job growth are in education or healthcare.

Three of the 15 occupations typically require a bachelor's degree.

Three occupations made the list of Georgia's **Hot** Careers to 2022 for its' fast job growth, high wages, and plentiful job openings over the projections period.

