

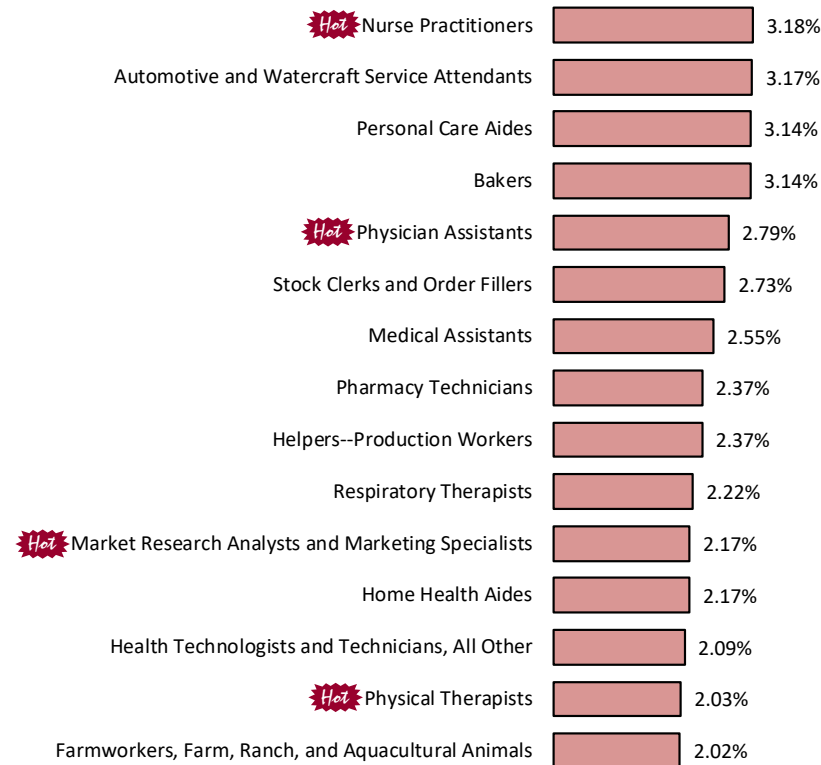
Fastest Growing Occupations

These fast-growing occupations have good employment prospects. Though fast growth does not always mean many new jobs, conditions are favorable for advancement and mobility in these occupations.

Eight of the fastest growing occupations are in healthcare.

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

Seven jobs typically require postsecondary or college education.

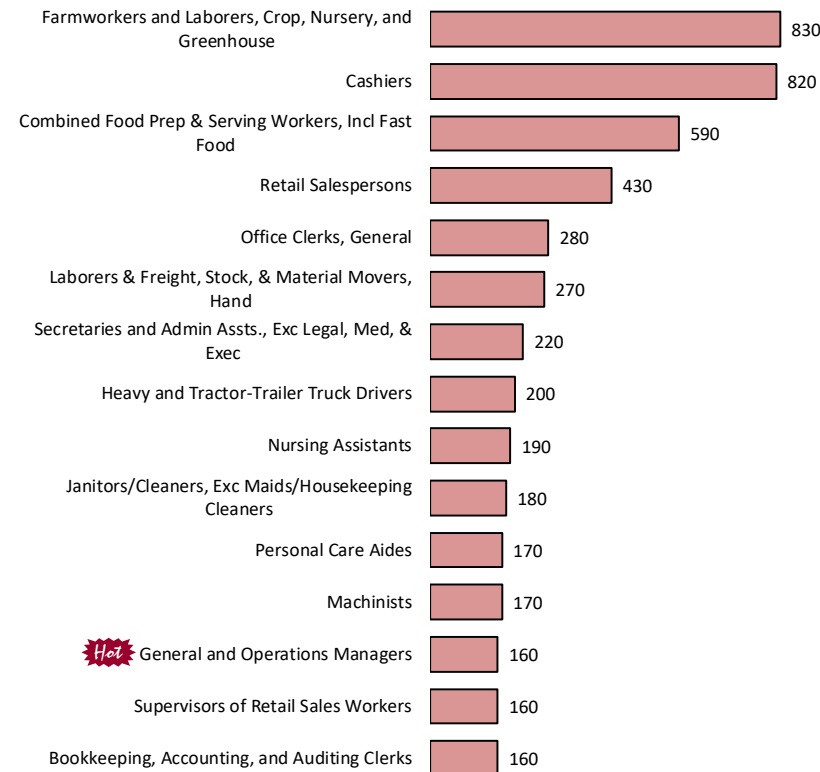


Occupations with the Most Annual Openings

Of all the job openings (4,830) on this list, most will result from the need to replace workers who exit the labor force or change jobs (4,530 or 94 percent) rather than from the creation of new jobs (300 or 6 percent).

Six occupations on the list are in sale or office and administrative support.

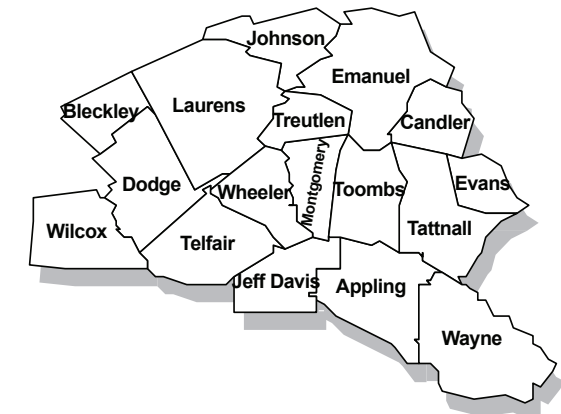
On a statewide basis, one occupation has earned the **Hot** label for this period.



Georgia Area Workforce Trends

Projections to 2026

LWDA #16 – Heart of Georgia/Altamaha



This Local Workforce Development Area (LWDA) encompasses 17 counties in the heart of the state in and around the city of Dublin. It includes the following counties: Appling, Bleckley, Candler, Dodge, Emanuel, Evans, Jeff Davis, Johnson, Laurens, Montgomery, Tattnall, Telfair, Toombs, Treutlen, Wayne, Wheeler and Wilcox.

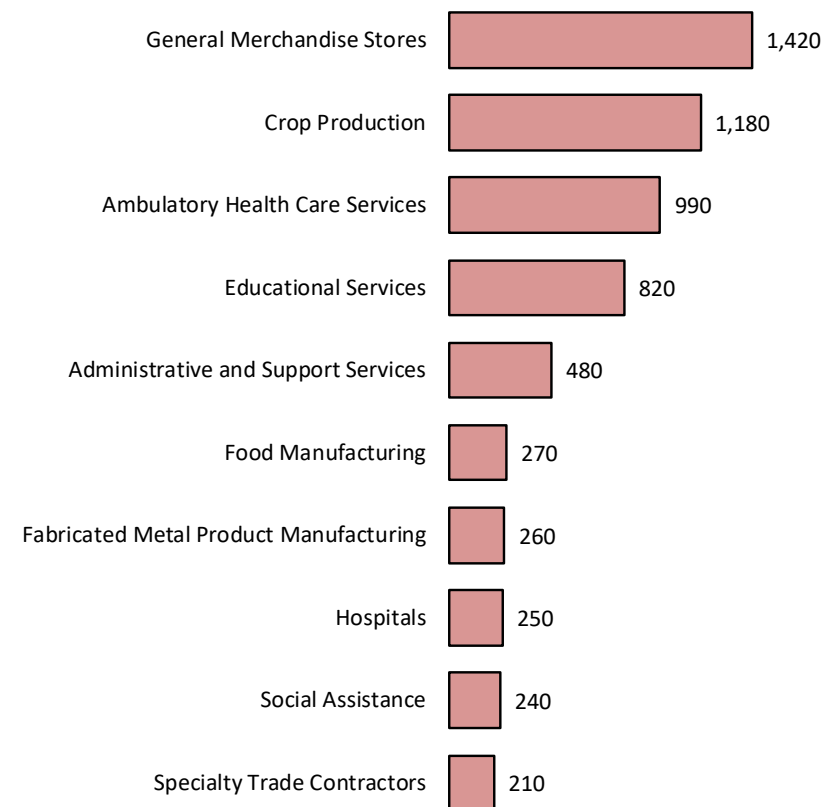


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Total Industry Growth

Total employment in Heart of Georgia Altamaha LWDA #16 is expected to grow from over 103,000 in 2016 to over 112,000 by 2026, which equates to an average of nearly 900 new jobs added each year. This area is the home of the world-famous sweet Vidalia onion. A Veterans Administration medical center and several state prison facilities. Key industries include educational services, agriculture, healthcare, state and local government, and food services.

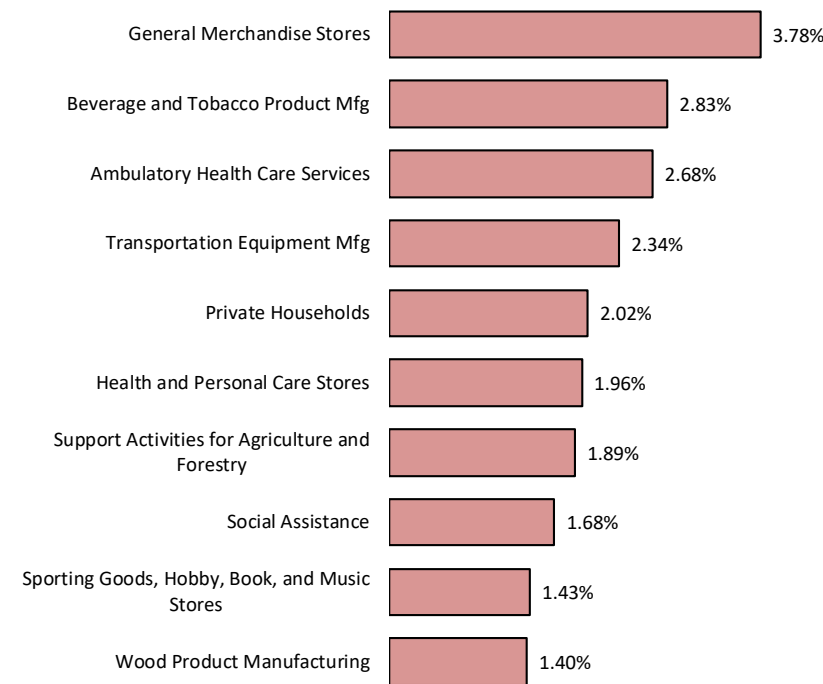
The top ten industries in this area with the most job growth are listed below.



Industry Rate of Growth

Employment growth in LWDA #16 – Heart of Georgia Altamaha is projected to be 0.8 percent per year through the 2026 projection cycle and is one of eight areas in Georgia where employment is projected to grow by under 1.0 percent. The annual average job growth in the area will trail the state (1.1 percent) and the nation (0.7 percent) over the period.

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



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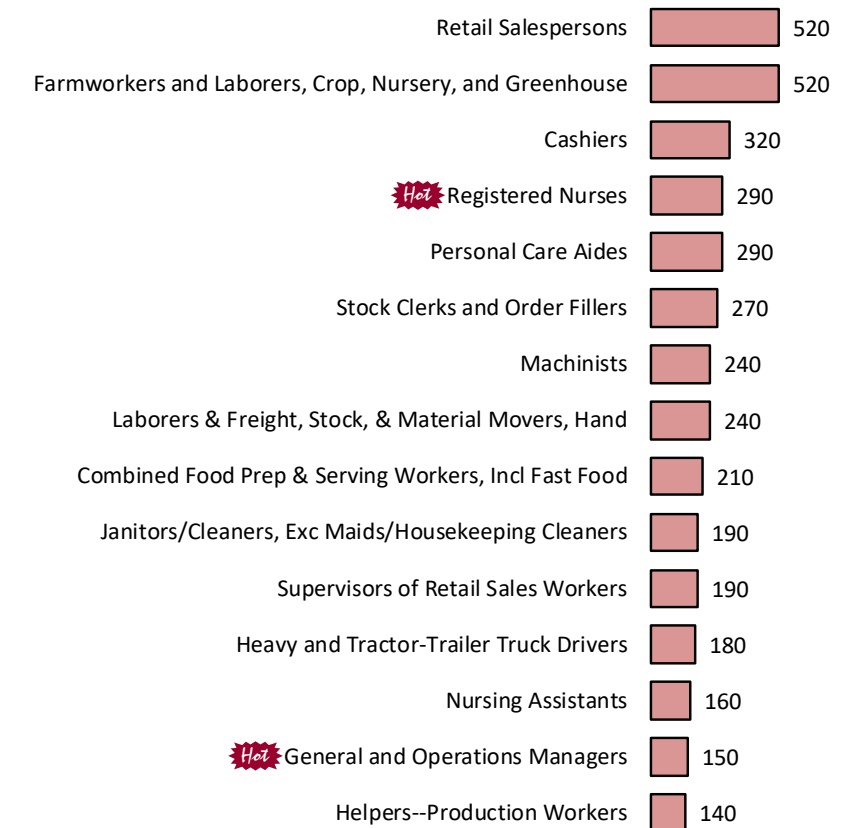
Occupations with the Most Growth

These 15 occupations – out of more than 800 - are projected to add over 3,900 jobs over the next 10 years, nearly 45 percent of all of the projected job growth in this area.

Four of these occupations typically require some form of post-secondary or college education.

Two jobs made the list of Georgia's **Hot** Careers to 2026.

Five occupations are in sales or office and administration.



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