

| Industries With Growing Employment <sup>3</sup> | Annual Openings <sup>2</sup> |
|---|------------------------------|
| Ambulatory Health Care Services                 | 7,660                        |
| Administrative & Support Services               | 7,514                        |
| Educational Services                            | 7,447                        |
| Food Services & Drinking Places                 | 6,755                        |
| Professional, Scientific & Technical Services   | 5,236                        |
| Specialty Trade Contractors                     | 4,060                        |
| Hospitals                                       | 3,379                        |
| Nursing & Residential Care Facilities           | 2,290                        |
| General Merchandise Stores                      | 1,530                        |
| Amusement, Gambling & Recreation Industries     | 997                          |

| Industries With Declining Employment <sup>3</sup>         | Annual Decline <sup>2</sup> |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Furniture & Related Product Manufacturing                 | 2,156                       |
| Textile Mills   | 2,129                       |
| Apparel Manufacturing                                     | 1,139                       |
| Telecommunications  | 356                         |
| Electrical Equipment, Appliance & Component Manufacturing | 356                         |
| Beverage & Tobacco Product Manufacturing                  | 342                         |
| Utilities   | 217                         |
| Miscellaneous Store Retailers                             | 206                         |
| Printing & Related Support Activities                     | 201                         |
| Paper Manufacturing                                       | 160                         |

Source: 3 - LMI Projections Program, 2006-2016



Long-Term Occupational Projections produced by the Labor Market Information Division of the Employment Security Commission of North Carolina provide relevant information used by job seekers, counselors, employers, education planners and economic developers.

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| <b>Bachelor's Degree Growing Occupations<sup>1</sup></b>                                    | <b>Annual Openings<sup>2</sup></b> | <b>Associate Degree Growing Occupations<sup>1</sup></b>              | <b>Annual Openings<sup>2</sup></b> | <b>Vocational Training Growing Occupations<sup>1</sup></b>                | <b>Annual Openings<sup>2</sup></b> |
|---|------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| <i>Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education \$38,767</i>                        | 1,676                              | <i>Registered Nurses \$54,123</i>                                    | 3,820                              | <i>Nursing Aides, Orderlies &amp; Attendants \$22,592</i>                 | 6,575                              |
| <i>Business Operations Specialists, All Other \$51,313</i>                                  | 1,132                              | <i>Computer Support Specialists \$41,228</i>                         | 758                                | <i>Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education \$19,239</i>              | 5,920                              |
| <i>Accountants &amp; Auditors \$54,072</i>  | 1,049                              | <i>Paralegals &amp; Legal Assistants \$35,515</i>                    | 402                                | <i>Hairdressers, Hairstylists &amp; Cosmetologists \$19,955</i>           | 4,147                              |
| <i>Secondary School Teachers, Except Special &amp; Vocational Education \$40,728</i>        | 953                                | <i>Medical Records &amp; Health Information Technicians \$26,462</i> | 290                                | <i>Automotive Service Technicians &amp; Mechanics \$33,758</i>            | 4,102                              |
| <i>Construction Managers \$71,901</i>   | 917                                | <i>Dental Hygienists \$60,625</i>                                    | 270                                | <i>Licensed Practical &amp; Licensed Vocational Nurses \$37,781</i>       | 3,396                              |
| <i>Middle School Teachers, Except Special &amp; Vocational Education \$38,092</i>           | 880                                | <i>Medical &amp; Clinical Laboratory Technicians \$34,591</i>        | 173                                | <i>Real Estate Sales Agents \$47,754</i>                                  | 2,293                              |
| <i>Network Systems &amp; Data Communications Analysts \$64,219</i>                          | 506                                | <i>Veterinary Technologists &amp; Technicians \$25,856</i>           | 167                                | <i>Emergency Medical Technicians &amp; Paramedics \$28,434</i>            | 1,712                              |
| <i>Child, Family &amp; School Social Workers \$39,364</i>                                   | 416                                | <i>Respiratory Therapists \$47,437</i>                               | 137                                | <i>Welders, Cutters, Solderers &amp; Brazers \$32,401</i>                 | 1,678                              |
| <i>Special Education Teachers, Preschool, Kindergarten &amp; Elementary School \$39,977</i> | 398                                | <i>Physical Therapist Assistants \$45,406</i>                        | 122                                | <i>Fitness Trainers &amp; Aerobics Instructors \$26,528</i>               | 1,489                              |
| <i>Employment, Recruitment &amp; Placement Services \$41,121</i>                            | 298                                | <i>Civil Engineering Technicians \$40,219</i>                        | 116                                | <i>Bus &amp; Truck Mechanics &amp; Diesel Engine Specialists \$36,913</i> | 1,210                              |
| <i>Civil Engineers \$65,040</i>   | 292                                | <i>Electrical &amp; Electronic Engineering Technicians \$50,246</i>  | 102                                | <i>Library Technicians \$27,923</i>                                       | 527                                |
| <i>Personal Financial Advisors \$61,259</i>   | 256                                | <i>Interior Designers \$39,575</i>                                   | 93                                 | <i>Security &amp; Fire Alarm Systems Installers \$34,907</i>              | 484                                |
| <i>Graphic Designers \$36,985</i>   | 220                                | <i>Funeral Directors \$44,383</i>                                    | 45                                 | <i>Skin Care Specialists \$24,633</i>                                     | 371                                |
| <i>Medical &amp; Public Health Social Workers \$40,525</i>                                  | 200                                | <i>Broadcast Technicians \$32,714</i>                                | 41                                 | <i>Computer, Automated Teller &amp; Office Machine Repairers \$36,335</i> | 323                                |

Sources: 1-Occupational Employment and Wages (OES) program survey. NOTE: Wages provided represent the median annual wage, which is the midpoint between the highest paid 50% and the lowest paid 50% of workers in that occupation.  
 2-LMI Projections Program: 2006-2016 job growth and replacement (total openings) for occupational and industrial employment.

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