

### Region 3 Fast Growing Occupations 2010-2020

SOC	Occupations	Employment		Percent	Average Annual	
		2010	2020	Change (%)	Growth (%)	Openings
519011	Chemical Equipment Operators and Tenders	***	***	100.00	7.18	10
399021	Personal and Home Care Aides	270	500	85.19	6.36	25
311011	Home Health Aides	640	1,110	73.44	5.66	55
131161	Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists	50	80	60.00	4.81	5
291123	Physical Therapists	120	190	58.33	4.70	10
291067	Surgeons	40	60	50.00	4.14	5
291127	Speech-Language Pathologists	40	60	50.00	4.14	5
292032	Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	80	120	50.00	4.14	5
292051	Dietetic Technicians	***	***	50.00	4.14	5
292056	Veterinary Technologists and Technicians	60	90	50.00	4.14	5
292081	Opticians, Dispensing	***	***	50.00	4.14	5
533041	Taxi Drivers and Chauffeurs	60	90	50.00	4.14	5
514121	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	330	490	48.48	4.03	25
319092	Medical Assistants	290	430	48.28	4.02	20
436013	Medical Secretaries	210	310	47.62	3.97	15
292021	Dental Hygienists	190	280	47.37	3.95	15
312021	Physical Therapist Assistants	110	160	45.45	3.82	10
319091	Dental Assistants	160	230	43.75	3.70	10
473012	Helpers--Carpenters	70	100	42.86	3.63	5
211093	Social and Human Service Assistants	170	240	41.18	3.51	10

Note: 20 Occupations were selected based on the highest annual average growth using the unrounded data plus the following criteria:  
 1) Employment of at least 10. 2) At least 5 annual average openings.

Data provided by the Alabama Department of Labor, Labor Market Information Division in cooperation with the Projections Managing Partnership, and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Totals in some occupational groups may not add due to exclusion of sub-groups and/or individual occupations with employment of less than 10 in the base (2010) and projected (2020) years or where publication of the occupation would violate confidentiality.

\*\*\* The data for these occupations are confidential according to standards provided by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

1. Employment is rounded to the nearest 10. 2. Average Annual Growth is compounded. 3. Openings are rounded to the nearest 5.