

Region 4 Fast Growing Occupations 2012-2022

SOC	Occupations	Employment		Percent	Average Annual	
		2012	2022	Change (%)*	Growth (%)	Openings
25-1042	Biological Science Teachers, Postsecondary	1,020	1,610	57.23	4.67	75
39-9021	Personal Care Aides	2,950	4,560	54.78	4.45	185
31-2021	Physical Therapist Assistants	520	780	50.97	4.14	40
31-1011	Home Health Aides	2,320	3,490	50.76	4.17	160
31-2011	Occupational Therapy Assistants	80	110	48.68	3.24	5
29-2032	Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	300	450	47.37	4.14	20
25-2051	Special Education Teachers, Preschool	***	***	45.45	5.24	5
39-5094	Skincare Specialists	90	130	45.05	3.75	5
47-2132	Insulation Workers, Mechanical	180	260	44.75	3.75	10
21-1094	Community Health Workers	120	180	44.35	4.14	10
51-4012	Computer Numerically Controlled Machine Tool Programmers, Metal and Plastic	80	110	43.42	3.24	5
47-3011	Helpers--Brickmasons, Blockmasons, Stonemasons, and Tile and Marble Setters	120	170	42.50	3.54	5
29-1181	Audiologists	60	80	41.82	2.92	5
29-1071	Physician Assistants	170	240	41.32	3.51	10
13-2052	Personal Financial Advisors	460	620	37.14	3.03	25
47-3013	Helpers--Electricians	340	460	37.01	3.07	15
13-1081	Logisticians	190	250	35.83	2.78	10
47-2021	Brickmasons and Blockmasons	310	420	35.16	3.08	15
29-1123	Physical Therapists	810	1,110	36.29	3.20	50
43-6013	Medical Secretaries	1,320	1,800	36.18	3.15	65

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 (2012) and projected (2022) 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.

* Percent change is based on unrounded data.