

Region 2 Fast Growing Occupations 2008-2018

SOC	Occupation	Employment		Percent Change (%)	Avg Annual Growth (%)	Avg Annual Openings
		2008	2018			
211013	Marriage and Family Therapists	60	100	66.67	5.24	5
292056	Veterinary Technologists and Technicians	110	180	63.64	5.05	10
151081	Network Systems and Data Communications Analysts	650	1,050	61.54	4.91	55
211015	Rehabilitation Counselors	170	270	58.82	4.73	10
319092	Medical Assistants	1,220	1,900	55.74	4.53	85
312022	Physical Therapist Aides	90	140	55.56	4.52	5
493011	Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	260	400	53.85	4.40	15
311011	Home Health Aides	2,380	3,590	50.84	4.20	140
151031	Computer Software Engineers, Applications	1,240	1,870	50.81	4.19	80
312021	Physical Therapist Assistants	220	330	50.00	4.14	15
291122	Occupational Therapists	120	180	50.00	4.14	10
291121	Audiologists	40	60	50.00	4.14	5
512011	Aircraft Structure, Surfaces, Rigging, and Systems Assemblers	***	***	49.61	4.11	90
291123	Physical Therapists	370	550	48.65	4.04	25
211022	Medical and Public Health Social Workers	300	430	43.33	3.67	20
312011	Occupational Therapist Assistants	50	70	40.00	3.42	5
492091	Avionics Technicians	***	***	40.00	3.42	5
399021	Personal and Home Care Aides	390	540	38.46	3.31	20
292052	Pharmacy Technicians	1,120	1,550	38.39	3.30	75
319096	Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory Animal Caretakers	270	370	37.04	3.20	15
292031	Cardiovascular Technologists and Technicians	300	410	36.67	3.17	15
399031	Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors	420	570	35.71	3.10	25
291131	Veterinarians	310	420	35.48	3.08	15
151051	Computer Systems Analysts	2,360	3,190	35.17	3.06	145
151071	Network and Computer Systems Administrators	980	1,320	34.69	3.02	55

Note: 25 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 (2008) and projected (2018) 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.