

Alabama Fast Growing Occupations 2008-2018

SOC	Occupation	Employment		Percent	Avg Annual	Avg Annual
		2008	2018	Change (%)	Growth (%)	Openings
292056	Veterinary Technologists and Technicians	800	1,180	47.50	3.96	60
151031	Computer Software Engineers, Applications Network Systems and Data Communications	3,170	4,580	44.48	3.75	190
151081	Analysts	2,790	4,030	44.44	3.75	180
312011	Occupational Therapist Assistants	380	530	39.47	3.38	20
399021	Personal and Home Care Aides	3,440	4,780	38.95	3.34	190
319092	Medical Assistants	6,770	9,320	37.67	3.25	340
514122	Welding, Soldering, and Brazing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	2,640	3,630	37.50	3.24	155
311011	Home Health Aides	10,530	14,430	37.04	3.20	485
395094	Skin Care Specialists	270	370	37.04	3.20	15
493011	Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	3,610	4,930	36.57	3.17	170
312021	Physical Therapist Assistants	1,270	1,720	35.43	3.08	60
292052	Pharmacy Technicians	6,550	8,850	35.11	3.06	430
232091	Court Reporters	200	270	35.00	3.05	10
251194	Vocational Education Teachers, Postsecondary	1,510	2,020	33.77	2.95	75
493043	Rail Car Repairers	360	480	33.33	2.92	20
291071	Physician Assistants	450	600	33.33	2.92	20
292021	Dental Hygienists	3,010	3,930	30.56	2.70	150
512011	Aircraft Structure, Surfaces, Rigging, and Systems Assemblers	2,430	3,170	30.45	2.69	125
172112	Industrial Engineers	2,540	3,310	30.31	2.68	140
319091	Dental Assistants	2,870	3,740	30.31	2.68	140
536051	Transportation Inspectors	700	910	30.00	2.66	45
291123	Physical Therapists	1,900	2,450	28.95	2.57	80
519082	Medical Appliance Technicians	140	180	28.57	2.54	5
312022	Physical Therapist Aides	670	860	28.36	2.53	30
433011	Bill and Account Collectors	5,940	7,560	27.27	2.44	250

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.