

Region 3 High Demand Occupations 2010-2020

SOC	Occupations	Employment		Percent	Average Annual		
		2010	2020	Change (%)	Growth (%)	Openings	Salary (\$)
291123	Physical Therapists	120	190	58.33	4.70	10	89,194
291111	Registered Nurses	2550	3,300	29.41	2.61	120	59,816
519011	Chemical Equipment Operators and Tenders	***	***	100.00	7.18	10	56,858
292021	Dental Hygienists	190	280	47.37	3.95	15	48,686
499041	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	600	780	30.00	2.66	30	54,281
514121	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	330	490	48.48	4.03	25	41,094
131111	Management Analysts	270	350	29.63	2.63	10	60,818
272022	Coaches and Scouts	200	260	30.00	2.66	10	71,243
512092	Team Assemblers	3740	4,770	27.54	2.46	175	45,991
292032	Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	80	120	50.00	4.14	5	56,629
312021	Physical Therapist Assistants	110	160	45.45	3.82	10	43,090
291063	Internists, General	80	100	25.00	2.26	5	***
292037	Radiologic Technologists and Technicians	260	350	34.62	3.02	15	44,269
475061	Roof Bolters, Mining	***	***	29.03	2.58	15	***
291051	Pharmacists	280	340	21.43	1.96	15	122,630
291071	Physician Assistants	40	50	25.00	2.26	5	80,534
291067	Surgeons	40	60	50.00	4.14	5	***
311011	Home Health Aides	640	1,110	73.44	5.66	55	20,659
171011	Architects, Except Landscape and Naval	***	***	25.00	2.26	5	91,643
512041	Structural Metal Fabricators and Fitters	190	250	31.58	2.78	10	43,035
292041	Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics	450	630	40.00	3.42	25	27,522
436013	Medical Secretaries	210	310	47.62	3.97	15	27,974
291062	Family and General Practitioners	120	150	25.00	2.26	5	179,595
151150	Computer Support Specialists	210	280	33.33	2.92	10	40,521
131161	Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists	50	80	60.00	4.81	5	65,145
119033	Education Administrators, Postsecondary	290	350	20.69	1.90	15	***
291127	Speech-Language Pathologists	40	60	50.00	4.14	5	72,448
291021	Dentists, General	100	130	30.00	2.66	5	***
132052	Personal Financial Advisors	80	110	37.50	3.24	5	54,419
319092	Medical Assistants	290	430	48.28	4.02	20	23,813
291126	Respiratory Therapists	***	***	31.25	2.76	10	***
273031	Public Relations Specialists	120	150	25.00	2.26	5	41,906
119111	Medical and Health Services Managers	150	190	26.67	2.39	5	93,173
399021	Personal and Home Care Aides	270	500	85.19	6.36	25	17,993
119151	Social and Community Service Managers	70	90	28.57	2.55	5	59,801
319091	Dental Assistants	160	230	43.75	3.70	10	30,034
434171	Receptionists and Information Clerks	710	940	32.39	2.85	45	22,647
131051	Cost Estimators	100	130	30.00	2.66	5	49,358
533032	Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	1830	2,260	23.50	2.13	80	32,857
475041	Continuous Mining Machine Operators	***	***	25.00	2.26	5	***

Note: Occupations were selected using unrounded data based on the descending order of average ranking based on three variables: growth, openings, and wages. May 2012 wage data based on the May 2011 OES employment and wage estimate file.

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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.