

Table 1. Fastest growing occupations and occupations projected to have the largest numerical increases in employment between 2006 and 2016, by level of postsecondary education or training

<i>Fastest growing occupations</i>	<i>Occupations having the largest numerical job growth</i>
<i>First-professional degree</i>	
Veterinarians Pharmacists Chiropractors Physicians and surgeons Optometrists	Physicians and surgeons Lawyers Pharmacists Veterinarians Dentists
<i>Doctoral degree</i>	
Postsecondary teachers Computer and information scientists, research Medical scientists, except epidemiologists Biochemists and biophysicists Clinical, counseling, and school psychologists	Postsecondary teachers Clinical, counseling, and school psychologists Medical scientists, except epidemiologists Computer and information scientists, research Biochemists and biophysicists
<i>Master's degree</i>	
Mental health counselors Mental health and substance abuse social workers Marriage and family counselors Physical therapists Physician assistants	Clergy Physical therapists Mental health and substance abuse social workers Educational, vocational, and school counselors Rehabilitation counselors
<i>Bachelor's or higher degree, plus work experience</i>	
Actuaries Education administrators, preschool and child care center/program Management analysts Training and development specialists Public relations managers	Management analysts Financial managers Computer and information systems managers Medical and health services managers Training and development specialists
<i>Bachelor's degree</i>	
Network systems and data communications analysts Computer software engineers, applications Personal financial advisors Substance abuse and behavioral disorder counselors Financial analysts	Computer software engineers, applications Accountants and auditors Business operations specialists, all other Elementary schoolteachers, except special education Computer systems analysts
<i>Associate degree</i>	
Veterinary technologists and technicians Physical therapist assistant Dental hygienists Environmental science and protection technicians, including health Cardiovascular technologists and technicians	Registered nurses Computer support specialists Paralegals and legal assistants Dental hygienists Legal secretaries
<i>Postsecondary vocational award</i>	
Makeup artists, theatrical and performance Skin care specialists Manicurists and pedicurists Fitness trainers and aerobics instructors Preschool teachers, except special education	Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants Preschool teachers, except special education Automotive service technicians and mechanics Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists
<i>Work experience in a related occupation</i>	
Sales representatives, services, all other Gaming managers Gaming supervisors Aircraft cargo handling supervisors Self-enrichment education teachers	Executive secretaries and administrative assistants Sales representatives, services, all other Sales representatives, wholesale and manufacturing, except technical and scientific products First-line supervisors/managers of food preparation and serving workers First-line supervisors/managers of office and administrative support workers
<i>Long-term on-the-job training</i>	
Audio and video equipment technicians Interpreters and translators Athletes and sports competitors Motorboat mechanics Automotive glass installers and repairers	Carpenters Cooks, restaurant Police and sheriff's patrol officers Plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters Electricians
<i>Moderate-term on-the-job training</i>	
Medical assistants Social and human service assistants Gaming surveillance officers and gaming investigators Pharmacy technicians Dental assistants	Customer service representatives Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks Truck drivers, heavy and tractor-trailer Medical assistants Maintenance and repair workers, general
<i>Short-term on-the-job training</i>	
Personal and home care aides Home health aides Gaming and sports book writers and runners Physical therapist aides Amusement and recreation attendants	Retail salespersons Combined food preparation and serving workers, including fast food Office clerks, general Personal and home care aides Home health aides