

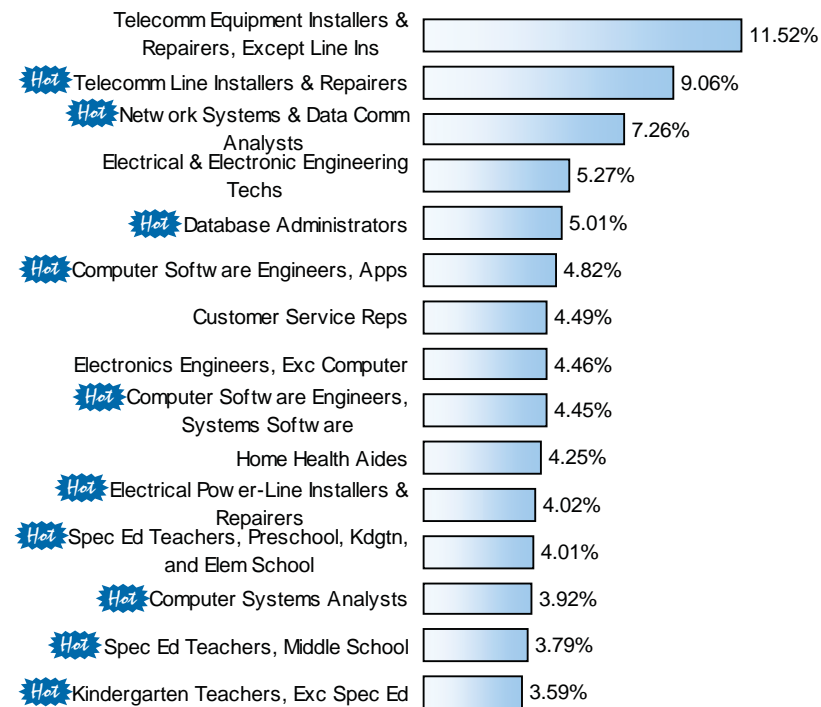
Fastest Growing Occupations

These fast-growing occupations will have better employment prospects than occupations with slow or declining employment. Also, conditions will be more favorable for mobility and advancement.

Five of the fastest growing occupations are computer-related.

Four of these occupations do not require any formal education beyond high school.

This geographical area (North East Georgia) has the most (10) occupations in this category that have earned the “HOT” label on a statewide basis for this period.



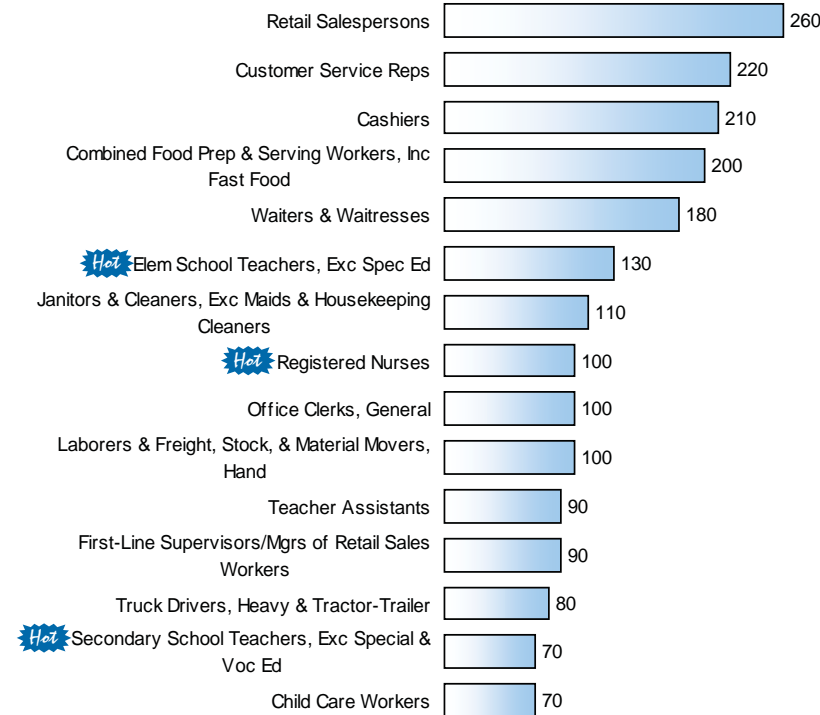
Occupations with the Most Annual Openings

Most of the job openings in this list will result from the need to replace workers who change jobs rather than from new job creation.

Nine require short-term on-the-job training of one month or less.

On a statewide level, three of these occupations have been designated “HOT” for the 2006-2016 projections period.

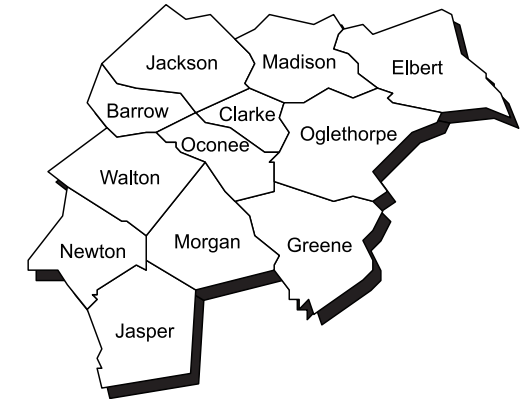
Although these occupations have many projected annual openings, more than half of them pay less than average wages.



Georgia Area Workforce Trends

Projections to 2016

WIA Area #9 – NE Georgia



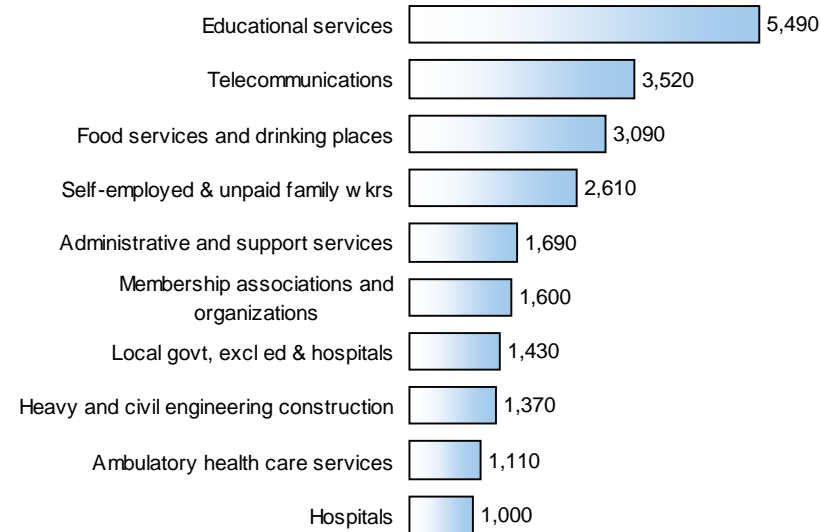
This area is made of 12 counties in northeast Georgia in and around the city of Athens. It includes the following counties: Barrow, Clarke, Elbert, Greene, Jackson, Jasper, Madison, Morgan, Newton, Oconee, and Walton.

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Total Industry Growth

Total employment in WIA Area #9 is expected to grow from more than 176,000 jobs in 2006 to more than 198,000 by the year 2016, which equates to 2,130 new jobs added each year. The area is home to the state's flagship university, the University of Georgia. The main industries are higher education, health services, agriculture, nonmetallic mineral product manufacturing, wood product manufacturing, and to a lesser degree, poultry processing.

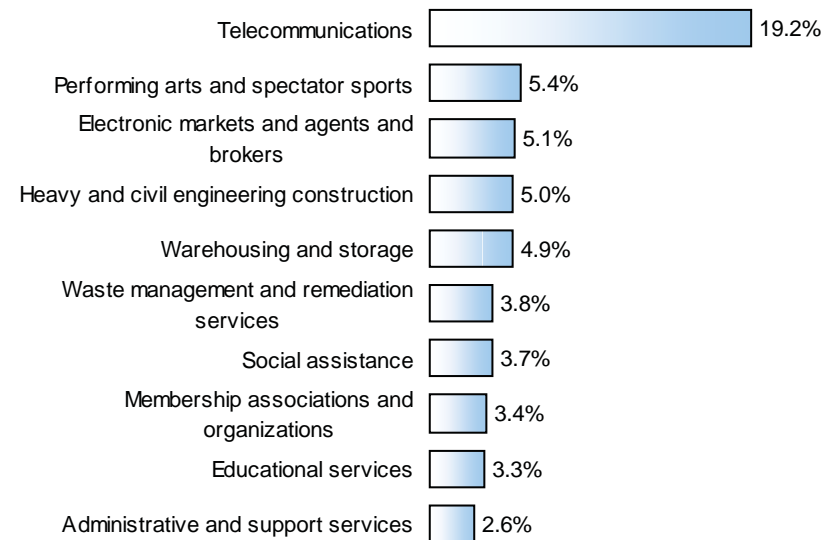
The top ten industries in this area with the most job growth are listed below.



Industry Rate of Growth

The area's economy is currently growing slightly slower than Georgia's overall, with expected job growth of 1.1 percent per year over the next ten years, as compared to 1.3 percent for the state.

The ten fastest growing industries in this area are listed below.



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Occupations with the Most Job Growth

These 15 occupations – out of more than 700 - are projected to add almost 9,000 jobs over the next 10 years, 42 percent of all projected job growth in this area.

Seven occupations require short-term on-the-job training of one month or less and four require a college degree.

Four of these occupations have made the coveted list of *Georgia's "HOT" Careers to 2016* for their fast job growth, high wages, and plentiful job openings during this series of projections.

