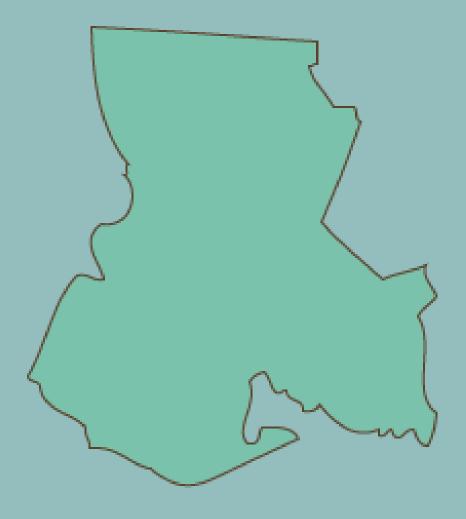
# OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK FOR



## MIDLANDS







### Top 20 Fastest-Growing Occupations

#### 2012-2022 Projections

- ► FIFTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE TOP 20 FASTEST-GROWING OCCUPATIONS WAGES EXCEED \$20.00 PER HOUR.
- ► THE MAJORITY (60 PERCENT) OF THE FASTEST-GROWING OCCUPATIONS REQUIRE SOME LEVEL OF EDUCATION OR TRAINING BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL

	Annual Percent Increase	Education Code	* Average Hourly Wage
Interpreters and Translators	5.15%	01	\$23.56
Home Health Aides	3.87%	07	\$9.44
Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	3.80%	02	\$25.33
Physical Therapist Aides	3.77%	03	\$11.15
Personal Care Aides	3.71%	07	\$9.60
Physical Therapist Assistants	3.57%	02	\$34.04
Healthcare Social Workers	3.32%	04	\$18.74
Medical Secretaries	3.28%	03	\$14.69
Physician Assistants	3.26%	04	\$36.33
Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists	3.19%	01	\$25.92
Dental Hygienists	3.15%	02	\$24.10
Meeting, Convention, and Event Planners	3.06%	01	\$23.25
Operations Research Analysts	3.06%	01	\$30.08
Physical Therapists	3.02%	08	\$30.35
Brickmasons and Blockmasons	3.00%	03	\$18.46
Welding, Soldering, and Brazing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	2.88%	03	\$16.39
Information Security Analysts	2.82%	01	\$34.29
Medical Assistants	2.76%	06	\$13.74
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	2.74%	03	\$26.47
HelpersCarpenters	2.72%	07	\$14.68

## Top 20 Occupations with the Greatest Number

#### OF JOB OPENINGS

2012-2022 Projections

These occupations account for over one-third (41.8 percent) of all available job openings.

	Annual Job Ppenings	ducation * Code	Average Hourly Wage
Retail Salespersons 45	58	07	\$11.61
Cashiers 43	33	07	\$8.77
Customer Service Representatives 38	32	03	\$15.46
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	38	07	\$8.44
Registered Nurses 32	24	02	\$26.95
Waiters and Waitresses 27	70	07	\$8.67
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	60	07	\$12.83
Office Clerks, General 23	36	03	\$13.16
First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers	97	03	\$23.47
Home Health Aides 16	<b>5</b> 7	07	\$9.44
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	53	03	\$15.11
Accountants and Auditors 14	12	01	\$26.37
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	39	07	\$10.32
General and Operations Managers 13	34	01	\$47.62
Security Guards 12	20	03	\$14.91
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	15	07	\$10.56
Nursing Assistants 11	14	06	\$11.44
Construction Laborers 11	13	07	\$13.05
Receptionists and Information Clerks 10	08	03	\$12.87
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	06	03	\$19.15

## Top Occupations By Education Level

2012-2022 Projections

Occupations requiring more education and training typically compensate workers with higher wages.

FOUR-YEAR DEGREE Or Higher



#### **Education Level Codes:**

- (01) Bachelor's Degree
- (02) Associate's Degree
- (03) High School Diploma or Equivalent
- (04) Master's Degree
- (05) Some College, No Degree
- (06) Postsecondary Non-Degree Award
- (07) Less than High School
- (08) Doctoral or Professional Degree

Physical Therapist Assistants Avg. Wage: \$34.04 Ann. Openings: 17 Ann. Growth: 3.57%

Postsecondary OR Associate's Degree Computer Network Support Specialists Avg. Wage: \$29.44

Storage, and Distribution Managers Avg. Wage: \$45.6 Ann. Openings: 6 Ann. Growth: .83%

HIGH SCHOOL

Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technicians Avg. Wage: \$27.89 Ann. Openings: 5 Ann. Growth: .22%

Social Science Research Assistants Avg. Wage: \$28.16 Ann. Openings: 1 Ann. Growth: 1.34%

OR LESS

