

# The Future of the Workforce

## Dallas County WDA Fastest Growing Occupations

Occupational Title	Annual Average Employment 2014	Annual Average Employment 2024	Number Change 2014-2024	Percent Growth 2014-2024	Annual Openings due to Growth	Annual Openings due to Replacements	Total Annual Average Openings	Typical Education Needed for Entry into Occupation	Hourly Wage 2016	Annual Wage 2016
Occupational Therapy Assistants	560	910	350	62.5%	35	15	50	Associate's degree	\$36.38	\$75,674
Physical Therapist Assistants	690	1,120	430	62.3%	45	20	65	Associate's degree	\$38.92	\$80,962
Home Health Aides	8,260	12,610	4,350	52.7%	435	185	620	No formal educational credential	\$10.60	\$22,058
Personal Care Aides	16,020	23,790	7,770	48.5%	775	130	905	No formal educational credential	\$8.89	\$18,491
Nurse Practitioners	1,250	1,850	600	48.0%	60	30	90	Master's degree	\$51.86	\$107,865
Operations Research Analysts	1,710	2,470	760	44.4%	75	30	105	Bachelor's degree	\$39.57	\$82,308
Interpreters & Translators	570	820	250	43.9%	25	10	35	Bachelor's degree	\$20.28	\$42,192
Physician Assistants	860	1,220	360	41.9%	35	20	55	Master's degree	\$41.02	\$85,315
Physical Therapists	1,720	2,440	720	41.9%	70	45	115	Doctoral or professional degree	\$48.74	\$101,387
Occupational Therapists	1,360	1,920	560	41.2%	55	25	80	Master's degree	\$50.27	\$104,560
Speech-Language Pathologists	1,930	2,670	740	38.3%	75	50	125	Master's degree	\$45.92	\$95,521
Health Technologists & Technicians, All Other	1,160	1,590	430	37.1%	45	10	55	High school diploma or equivalent	\$20.66	\$42,974
Web Developers	1,850	2,510	660	35.7%	65	25	90	Associate's degree	\$38.40	\$79,862
Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses	6,650	9,010	2,360	35.5%	235	190	425	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$23.02	\$47,872
Medical Assistants	8,950	12,020	3,070	34.3%	305	185	490	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$15.69	\$32,642

The Bureau of Labor and Statistics has states that of the twenty fastest growing jobs today, fifty percent of them are related to the healthcare industry. By 2018, it is expected that roughly 3.2 million new health care related jobs will be created.