

	Occupation	Annual Average Employment 2014	Annual Average Employment 2024	Number Change 2014-2024	Percent Growth 2014-2024	Total Annual Average Openings	Typical Education Needed for Entry into Occupation	Annual Wage 2016
1.	Computer Systems Analysts	190	250	60	31.6%	5	Bachelor's degree	\$69,073
2.	Information Security Analysts	40	50	10	25.0%	0	Bachelor's degree	\$61,569
3.	Software Developers, Applications	170	210	40	23.5%	5	Bachelor's degree	\$64,896
4.	Software Developers, Systems Software	100	130	30	30.0%	5	Bachelor's degree	\$67,319
5.	Web Developers	60	80	20	33.3%	0	Associate's degree	\$49,371
6.	Database Administrators	130	160	30	23.1%	10	Bachelor's degree	\$69,732
7.	Computer User Support Specialists	800	970	170	21.3%	25	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$39,226
8.	Elementary School Teachers	2,540	2,850	310	12.2%	85	Bachelor's degree	\$46,793
9.	Middle School Teachers,	1,240	1,390	150	12.1%	40	Bachelor's degree	\$47,006
10.	Secondary School Teachers	1,930	2,160	230	11.9%	70	Bachelor's degree	\$49,161
11.	Respiratory Therapists	210	260	50	23.8%	10	Associate's degree	\$51,054
12.	Registered Nurses	4,010	5,050	1,040	25.9%	200	Bachelor's degree	\$64,423
13.	Medical & Clinical Laboratory Technicians	210	270	60	28.6%	10	Associate's degree	\$34,188
14.	Radiologic Technologists	370	440	70	18.9%	10	Associate's degree	\$50,638
15.	Emergency Medical Technicians & Paramedics	470	570	100	21.3%	20	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$35,201
16.	Pharmacy Technicians	510	620	110	21.6%	15	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$30,292
17.	Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses	1,770	2,120	350	19.8%	85	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$43,595
18.	Medical Records & Health Information Technicians	310	400	90	29.0%	15	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$34,800

19.	Dental Assistants	380	480	100	26.3%	20	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$33,309
20.	Medical Assistants	890	1,180	290	32.6%	50	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$26,359
21.	Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers	980	1,140	160	16.3%	45	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$53,875
22.	Chefs & Head Cooks	60	70	10	16.7%	0	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$62,875
23.	First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation & Serving Workers	1,650	2,040	390	23.6%	90	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$33,405
24.	Customer Service Representatives	2,410	2,840	430	17.8%	105	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$30,132
25.	Medical Secretaries	1,180	1,540	360	30.5%	45	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$29,353
26.	Secretaries & Admin Assistants, Ex. Legal/Medical/Executive	3,270	3,620	350	10.7%	70	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$30,083
27.	First-Line Supervisors: Construction Trades/Extraction Workers	900	950	50	5.6%	10	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$64,815
28.	Electricians	800	980	180	22.5%	30	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$39,495
29.	Plumbers, Pipefitters, & Steamfitters	590	710	120	20.3%	20	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$40,866
31.	Auto Service Technicians & Mechanics	970	1,090	120	12.4%	35	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$38,698
32.	Bus & Truck Mechanics & Diesel Engine Specialists	340	400	60	17.6%	10	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$40,730
33.	Farm Equipment Mechanics & Service Technicians	220	250	30	13.6%	10	High school diploma or equivalent	\$39,211

34.	Heating, AC, & Refrigeration Mechanics & Installers	510	640	130	25.5%	25	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$44,620
35.	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	540	660	120	22.2%	25	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$49,913
36.	Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	2,280	2,720	440	19.3%	105	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$34,292
37.	Wind Turbine Service Technicians*	1,370	3,140	1,770	129.2%	195	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$53,648
38.	Machinists	240	270	30	12.5%	5	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$35,584
39.	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, & Brazers	590	610	20	3.4%	20	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$36,838
40.	Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	4,200	4,810	610	14.5%	130	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$40,470

*Occupation new to the South Plains WDA – employment projections are based on statewide data.