PY 2021 South Plains Targeted Occupations

Target Occupation Job Title (Name)	Annual Average Employment 2018	Annual Average Employment 2028	Number Change 2018- 2028	% Change 2018- 2028	2019 Mean Annual Wage	Total Annual Openings	Typical Education Needed for Entry into Occupation
Software Developers, Applications	264	415	151	57.2	\$74,087	39	Bachelor's degree
Office Clerks, General	5,162	5,301	139	2.7	\$36,244	640	High school diploma or equivalent
Dental Assistants	430	533	103	24.0	\$34,478	64	Postsecondary nondegree award
Medical Assistants	729	954	225	30.9	\$28,890	115	Postsecondary nondegree award
Billing and Posting Clerks	674	781	107	15.9	\$35,525	90	High school diploma or equivalent
Computer User Support Specialists	741	905	164	22.1	\$44,388	83	Some college, no degree
Respiratory Therapists	221	285	64	29.0	\$56,407	19	Associate's degree
Medical Secretaries	1,500	1,878	378	25.2	\$30,019	227	High school diploma or equivalent

Heating, AC, & Refrigeration Mechanics & Installers	427	490	63	14.8	\$46,711	50	Postsecondary nondegree award
Pharmacy Technicians	591	697	106	17.9	\$34,269	63	High school diploma or equivalent
Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	928	1,093	165	17.8	\$49,434	128	High school diploma or equivalent
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	1,967	2,049	82	4.2	\$46,585	161	Postsecondary nondegree award
Registered Nurses	4,152	4,791	639	15.4	\$68,852	303	Bachelor's degree
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	2,012	2,242	230	11.4	\$44,675	265	Postsecondary nondegree award
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	1,679	2,059	380	22.6	\$32,720	323	High school diploma or equivalent
Electricians	838	965	127	15.2	\$49,052	118	High school diploma or equivalent
Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine	582	658	76	13.1	\$44,116	65	High school diploma or equivalent

Specialists							
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	1,602	1,802	200	12.5	\$35,535	185	High school diploma or equivalent
Radiologic Technologists	453	535	82	18.1	\$55,859	35	Associate's degree
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	583	669	86	14.8	\$35,977	78	High school diploma or equivalent
Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers	1,143	1,263	120	10.5	\$57,849	97	High school diploma or equivalent
Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	1,089	1,158	69	6.3	\$50,542	116	Postsecondary nondegree award
Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics	481	549	68	14.1	\$36,638	41	Postsecondary nondegree award
Machinists	244	275	31	12.7	\$41,130	30	High school diploma or equivalent
Billing and Posting Clerks	674	781	107	15.9	\$35,525	90	High school diploma or equivalent
Construction Laborers	2,876	3,213	337	11.7	\$31,370	373	No formal educational credential

General and Operations Managers	2,719	3,093	374	13.8	\$94,364	289	Bachelor's degree
Medical and Health Services Managers	573	749	176	30.7	\$104,827	70	Bachelor's degree
Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education	739	854	115	15.6	\$29,326	92	Associate's degree
Refuse and Recyclable Material Collectors	360	477	117	32.5	\$35,740	70	No formal educational credential
Service Unit Operators, Oil, Gas, and Mining	1,146	1,338	192	16.8	\$53,931	194	No formal educational credential
Wind Turbine Service Technicians* Statewide data; local data not available	2,038	3,728	1,690	82.9	\$53,178	479	Postsecondary nondegree award