

InterLink's 2007~2012 Targeted Occupations Identified by Employers for Long Term Growth

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(Emerging/Evolving occupations may not have established education time or wages)
Wages are Regional Average Hourly (A) \$5.15-9.99 ~ (B) \$10.00-14.99 ~ (C) \$15.00-19.99 ~ (D) \$20.00+
* Indicates Potential for Offshore Outsourcing ~ ** Indicates Critical Regional Need*

Note: The absence of an occupation from this list does not necessarily indicate that it will not offer good job potential

Architecture & Construction Careers

<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>
Computer Aided Design Drafter	2-4 yrs. (C)	Maintenance Repairers, General	OJT-4 yrs. (B)
Carpenters	2-4 yrs. (B)	Plumbers/Pipe-fitters	OJT+5 yrs. (C)
Electricians	2-10 yrs. (C)	Welders/Cutters/Solderers/Brazers	OJT-2yrs. (B)
Heating/A.C. Technicians	1-5 yrs. (C)		

Education & Training Careers

<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>
Teachers, Secondary (High School)	4-10 yrs. (D)	Teachers, Elementary/Preschool	4-10 yrs. (D)
Teachers, Special Education	4-10 yrs. (D)		

Finance Careers

<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>
*Accountants & Auditors	4-10 yrs. (D)

Health Science Careers

<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>
Nurses – Licensed Practical/Vocational	2 yrs. (B)	Pharmacists	2-4 yrs. (C)
Nurses – Registered	2-4 yrs. (D)	Pharmacy Technicians	2-4 yrs. (C)
Medical Lab Technicians & Technologists	2-4 yrs. (C)	Radiologic Technicians & Technologists	2-4 yrs. (C)
Certified/Patient Care Techs. (Includes Nursing Aides/Assts & Home Health Aides) Certification (A-B)		Respiratory Therapist Technicians	12-18 mo. (B)

Hospitality & Culinary Careers

<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>
Chefs, Head Cooks & Restaurant Cooks	OJT-3 yrs (C)	Food Service Managers	2-4 yrs. (D)

Information Technology Careers

<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>
*Computer Programmers	2-4 yrs. (D)	Computer Systems Analysts	4 yrs. (C)

Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security Careers

<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>
**Correctional Officers (Detention Service)	3-6 mos. (B)	Fire Fighters (Includes EMT)	1-4 yrs. (D)
Emergency Medical Technicians/Paramedics Certification (B)		Police Patrol Officers	1-4 yrs. (D)

Manufacturing Careers

<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>
Mfg. Machine Technician including Computer Numeric Control (CNC)	1-2 yrs. (B)

Marketing, Sales & Service Careers

<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>
Advertising, Marketing, Sales Mgrs.	4-10 yrs. (D)

Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics Careers

<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>
Aerospace Engineers	4-10 yrs. (D)	*Electrical & Electronic Engineers	4-10 yrs. (D)
*Engineers, Computer Software & *Eng. Application & Systems Software	4-10 yrs. (D)	Electrical & Electronic Engineering Techs.	2-4 yrs. (C-D)
		*Mechanical Engineers	4-10 yrs. (D)

Transportation, Distribution & Logistics Careers

<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Education and Wages</u>
Automotive Technicians	2-4 yrs. (C)	Logistics Managers (Shipping/Warehousing)	2-4 yrs. (B)
Automotive Body Repairer	2-4 yrs. (C)	Truck Drivers, Heavy	3-6 mos. (C)
Diesel Bus/Truck Technicians	2-4 yrs. (C)		

2007-2012 InterLink Emerging & Evolving Occupations Expected to Offer Future Employment Opportunities

**Emerging Occupations are new occupations in the workforce with new titles and new skills.*

***Evolving Occupations are traditional occupations whose knowledge, skills, and abilities have changed or evolved.*

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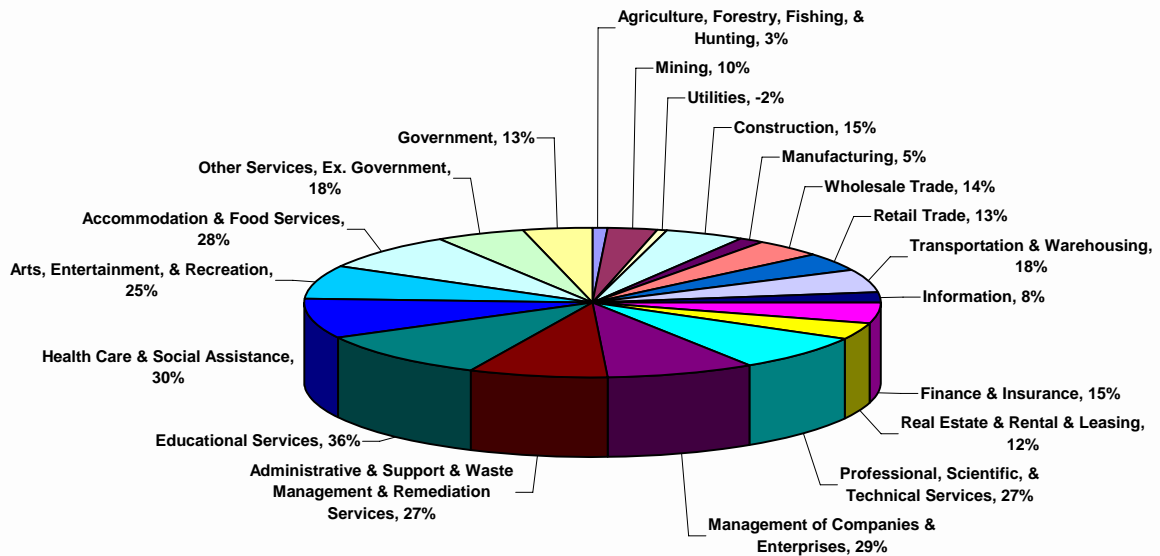
Career

- *Advanced Digital Manufacturing (ADM) Technicians
- *Biotechnology Research Technicians
- **Composite Technicians (Bond Assembler)
- *Computer and Digital Forensics Technicians
- *Computer Security Specialists
- *Convergence Technology Specialists/Technicians
- *Data Mining Technicians
- *Electronic Commerce Specialist
- ** Global Information Systems includes Engineering & Mapping Techs.
- *Gaming Technicians
- *Global Positioning Systems Technician
- *Laboratory Services Technicians (Biological/Microbiological)
- * Micro-electromechanical Systems (MEMS) Technician
- *Nanotechnology Technician
- *Robotics Technicians

Education and Wages

- 2-4 yrs. (B-C)
- 4 yrs. (B-C)
- OJT – 2 yrs. (B-C)
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- 2-4 yrs. (B)
- 2-4 yrs. (C-D)
- Certificate-2 yrs. (B-C)
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North Central Texas Industry Growth to 2012



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