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## Jobs in Maine

What jobs are in demand?

How much do they pay?

Where is training available?

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# Projected Job Opportunities in Maine, 2002-2012

## Job Openings Each Year<sup>1</sup>

Annual Openings

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Occupation	Annual Openings			Wage <sup>2</sup>
	Growth	ment	Total	
Retail Salesperson	251	672	923	\$11.39
Cashiers	61	809	870	8.23
Waiters & Waitresses	133	556	689	8.51
Combined Food Prep./Service Wkr.	169	499	668	7.72
Registered Nurses	278	290	568	25.40
Laborers & Material Movers, Hand	8	323	331	10.20
General & Operations Managers	131	194	325	38.07
Janitors & Clnr., Excl. Maid/Hskp.	109	213	322	10.58
Food Preparation Workers	88	226	314	9.04
Office Clerks, General	33	277	310	10.82
Truck Drivers, Heavy Tractor-Trailer	94	183	277	14.84
Personal & Home Care Aides	178	94	272	8.75
Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	86	174	260	8.86
Customer Service Representatives	132	125	257	13.05
Stock Clerks & Order Fillers	0	249	249	9.99
Child Care Workers	47	190	237	9.42
Nursing Aides/Orderlies/Attendants	108	121	229	10.27
First-Line Supvr. Retail Sales Wkr.	53	176	229	15.52
Secretaries, Excl. Legal/Med./Exec.	0	205	205	12.51
Sales Rep., Wh./Mfg., Excl. Tech.	70	132	202	23.17
Auto. Service Tech. & Mechanics	65	129	194	14.77
Cooks, Restaurant	52	134	186	9.77
Carpenters	30	156	186	15.28
Social & Human Service Assistants	111	72	183	11.20
First-Line Supvr. Office/Admin. Wkr.	37	145	182	18.09
Bookkeeping/Accnt./Auditing Clrk.	14	168	182	13.80
Landscaping & Groundskeeping Wkr.	61	118	179	10.67
Teacher Assistants	22	156	178	24,730
Second. Schl. Tchr. Excl. Spec. & Voc.	5	172	177	40,940
Tellers	45	131	176	9.98
Home Health Aides	119	51	170	9.81
Elem. School Teachers, Excl. Spec. Ed.	19	143	162	41,540
Maint. & Repair Workers, General	50	110	160	15.25
Dishwashers	36	119	155	7.70
First-Line Supvr. Food Prep. & Serv.	53	95	148	12.09
Receptionists & Information Clerks	41	84	125	10.61
Counter Attendants, Cafe./Coffee Shop	24	99	123	7.87
Bartenders	31	86	117	8.48
Cooks, Fast Food	39	77	116	8.55
Fire Fighters	51	62	113	14.43

<sup>1</sup>These tables reflect anticipated job openings and growth between 2004 and 2014. They do not represent actual, current job openings.

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New Jobs <sup>1</sup>				
Occupation	Employment		New Jobs Gained	Wage <sup>2</sup>
	2004	2014		
Registered Nurses	13,837	16,613	2,776	\$25.40
Retail Salesperson	18,493	21,003	2,510	11.39
Personal & Home Care Aides	5,875	7,656	1,781	8.75
Combined Food Prep./Service Wkr.	11,513	13,203	1,690	7.72
Waiters & Waitresses	10,807	12,134	1,327	8.51
Customer Service Representatives	8,406	9,724	1,318	13.05
General & Operations Managers	10,273	11,583	1,310	38.07
Home Health Aides	3,859	5,044	1,185	9.81
Social & Human Service Assistants	4,076	5,189	1,113	11.20
Janitors & Clnr., Excl. Maid/Hskp.	11,208	12,296	1,088	10.58
Nursing Aides/Orderlies/Attendants	9,209	10,285	1,076	10.27
Truck Drivers, Heavy Tractor-Trailer	11,188	12,126	938	14.84
Food Preparation Workers	6,401	7,283	882	9.04
Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	8,283	9,147	864	8.86
Sales Rep., Wh./Mfg., Excl. Tech.	5,043	5,739	696	23.17
Auto. Service Tech. & Mechanics	4,832	5,482	650	14.77
Cashiers	16,629	17,240	611	8.23
Landscaping & Groundskeeping Wkr.	5,425	6,033	608	10.67
Truck Drivers, Light Delivery Serv.	4,795	5,382	587	12.60
First-Line Supvr. Retail Sales Wkr.	9,811	10,345	534	15.52
First-Line Supvr. Food Prep.& Serv.	4,000	4,527	527	12.09
Cooks, Restaurant	4,325	4,846	521	9.77
Medical Assistants	1,516	2,031	515	12.61
Fire Fighters	2,122	2,633	511	14.43
Maint. & Repair Workers, General	5,726	6,226	500	15.25
Mental Health & Subs. Abuse Soc. Wkr.	2,011	2,502	491	17.78
Child Care Workers	6,959	7,430	471	9.42
Tellers	2,657	3,106	449	9.98
Highway Maintenance Workers	2,310	2,749	439	12.28
Receptionists & Information Clerks	3,432	3,841	409	10.61
Cooks, Fast Food	2,470	2,855	385	8.55
Hairdressers/Hairstylists/Cosmet.	3,503	3,884	381	11.57
Preschool Teachers, Excl. Spec. Ed.	2,048	2,428	380	11.55
First-Line Supvr. Office/Admin. Wkr.	6,745	7,110	365	18.09
Dishwashers	3,533	3,892	359	7.70
Counter & Rental Clerks	1,849	2,204	355	10.22
Lawyers	2,972	3,326	354	41.93
Real Estate Sales Agents	1,112	1,452	340	19.06
Child/Family/School Social Workers	2,153	2,489	336	17.02
Office Clerks, General	12,517	12,850	333	10.82

<sup>2</sup>2004 Maine average wages. Wages include all levels of experience, and should not be viewed as entry-level.

# Projected Job Opportunities in Maine, 2002-2012

## Fastest Growing Jobs<sup>1</sup>

Occupation	Employment		Percent Increase	Wage <sup>2</sup>
	2004	2014		
Veterinary Tech.	373	543	45.6%	\$13.43
Recreational Vehicle Svc. Tech.	136	196	44.1	13.25
Network Sys. & Data Comm. Analysts	521	736	41.3	29.42
Motorcycle Mechanics	107	147	37.4	14.70
Physical Therapist Assistants	301	406	34.9	16.92
Medical Assistants	1,516	2,031	34.0	12.61
Interpreters & Translators	252	334	32.5	15.65
Broadcast News Analysts	105	139	32.4	9.70
Physician Assistants	736	974	32.3	37.26
Home Health Aides	3,859	5,044	30.7	9.81
Real Estate Sales Agents	1,112	1,452	30.6	19.06
Funeral Attendants	188	245	30.3	11.57
Personal & Home Care Aides	5,875	7,656	30.3	8.75
Prop., Real Est., & Comm. Assoc. Mgr.	938	1,219	30.0	21.25
Computer Soft. Eng., Systems	324	420	29.6	32.57
Database Administrators	321	415	29.3	27.26
Social & Human Service Assistants	4,076	5,189	27.3	11.20
Crossing Guards	440	559	27.0	8.13
Dental Assistants	1,021	1,296	26.9	15.90
Railroad Conductors & Yardmasters	134	170	26.9	19.68
Dental Hygienists	813	1,030	26.7	25.87
Network & Computer Systems Admin.	993	1,253	26.2	25.62
Computer Soft. Eng., Applications	978	1,229	25.7	32.55
Veterinary Assistants	518	650	25.5	10.58
Pharmacy Technicians	1,288	1,614	25.3	11.48
Rehabilitation Counselors	1,251	1,560	24.7	13.15
Mental Health & Subs. Abuse Soc. Wkr.	2,011	2,502	24.4	17.78
Fire Fighters	2,122	2,633	24.1	14.43
Mental Health Counselors	850	1,054	24.0	18.86
Animal Trainers	139	172	23.7	15.55
Self-Enrichment Education Teachers	860	1,061	23.4	16.65
Paralegals & Legal Assistants	938	1,156	23.2	20.00
Instructional Coordinators	339	417	23.0	21.00
Veterinarians	422	519	23.0	32.81
Tile and Marble Setters	105	129	22.9	15.25
Fitness Trainers & Aerobics Instr.	1,065	1,308	22.8	10.90
Massage Therapists	495	607	22.6	12.08
Medical & Clinical Lab Technologists	834	1,020	22.3	21.24
Lifeguards & Ski Patrol Workers	195	238	22.1	8.06
Bus Drivers, Transit & Intercity	651	794	22.0	14.47

Training for many occupations is provided on the job, however employers often require education credentials. See reverse side for Guide to Education and Training.

# Guide to Education and Training

Andover College, Portland, ME 1-800-639-3110

Bangor Theological Seminary, Bangor, ME 1-800-287-6781

Bates College, Lewiston, ME (207) 786-6000

Beal College, Bangor, ME (207) 947-4591

Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME (207) 725-3100

Central Maine Medical Center-Family Practice Residency, Lewiston, ME (207) 795-2803

Central Maine Medical Center-Radiologic Technology, Lewiston, ME (207) 795-2428

Central Maine Medical Center-School of Nursing, Lewiston, ME (207) 795-2843

Central Maine Community College, Auburn, ME 1-800-891-2002

Colby College, Waterville, ME (207) 872-3168

College of the Atlantic, Bar Harbor, ME (207) 288-5015

Eastern Maine Community College, Bangor, ME 1-800-286-9357

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Brunswick, ME (207) 721-0664

Faith School of Theology, Charleston, ME (207) 285-3373

Heartwood College of Art, Kennebunk, ME (207) 985-0985

Husson College  
Bangor, ME 1-800-448-7766 South Portland, ME 1-800-562-1294  
Caribou, ME (207) 498-6500

Kennebec Valley Community College, Fairfield, ME 1-800-528-5882

Lewiston/Auburn College, Lewiston, ME (207) 753-6500

Maine College of Art, Portland, ME 1-800-639-4808

Maine Maritime Academy, Castine, ME (207) 326-4311

Maine Medical Center-Residency, Portland, ME (207) 842-7065

Maine Medical Center-Surgical Technology at SMTC, So. Portland, ME (207) 741-5589

Mercy Hospital-School of Radiologic Technology, Portland, ME (207) 879-3501

New England Baptist Bible College, So. Portland, ME 1-800-286-1859

New England School of Communication, Bangor, ME 1-888-877-1876

Northern Maine Community College, Presque Isle, ME 1-800-535-6682

Saint Joseph's College, Standish, ME 1-800-338-7057

Southern Maine Community College, So. Portland, ME 1-877-282-2182

Southern New Hampshire University, Brunswick, ME 1-800-427-9238

Thomas College, Waterville, ME 1-800-339-7001

Unity College, Unity, ME (207) 948-3131

University of Maine at Augusta, Augusta, ME 1-877-862-1234

University of Maine at Farmington, Farmington, ME (207) 778-7000

University of Maine at Fort Kent, Fort Kent, ME (207) 834-7500

University of Maine at Machias, Machias, ME 1-888-468-6866

University of Maine at Orono, Orono, ME 1-877-486-2364

University of Maine at Presque Isle, Presque Isle, ME (207) 768-9400

University of Maine - School of Law, Portland, ME (207) 780-4355

University of New England  
Biddeford, ME (207) 602-2847 Portland, ME (207) 797-7261

University of Southern Maine, Portland-Gorham, ME 1-800-800-4876

Washington County Community College, Calais, ME 1-800-210-6932

York County Community College, Wells, ME 1-800-580-3820

## A Sample of Other Technical Training Providers

Caribou Adult Education, Caribou, ME (207) 493-4272  
Learning Center at Region 9, Rumford, ME (207) 364-2012  
Lewiston Adult Education, Lewiston, ME (207) 795-4141  
Madawaska Adult Education, Madawaska, ME (207) 728-3371  
MSAD # 11 Adult Education, Gardiner, ME (207) 582-3774  
MSAD #52 Adult Education, Turner, ME (207) 225-3478  
Maine Vocational Region 10, Brunswick, ME (207) 729-6622  
Mid-Coast School of Technology, Rockland, ME (207) 594-2161  
Northeast Technical Institute, So. Portland, ME (207) 772-5044  
Northern Penobscot Tech Region III, Lincoln, ME (207) 794-3004  
Oxford Hills Adult Education, So. Paris, ME (207) 743-8842  
Portland Adult Education, Portland, ME (207) 874-8155  
Rangeley Adult & Community Education, Rangeley, ME (207) 864-2028  
Region 9 School of Applied Technology, Mexico, ME (207) 364-3764  
Maine Criminal Justice Academy, Waterville, ME (207) 877-8000

### A note about the information

The table **Job Openings Each Year** shows that even the occupations projected to decline will need workers to fill job openings created by those who retire or leave. The **New Jobs** table reflects new jobs expected between 2004-2014. The **Fastest Growing Jobs** table reflects growth as a percentage, which may be high even though the actual number of new jobs may be small.

The education institutions included in this brochure are post-secondary institutions approved by State Approving Agency for Veterans Education Programs ([www.msaa.maine.edu](http://www.msaa.maine.edu)). They are suggested starting points, but are not the only opportunities available. Local adult education may also offer short-term training opportunities in your area. To obtain catalogs and course descriptions, contact the individual school. For more assistance, call 1-888-457-8883 for the CareerCenter nearest you.



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