## 2015 Nebraska Workforce Report



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## INTRODUCTION

This report identifies healthcare professions with notable vacancy and turnover rates and will provide information on future workforce demands. In January 2015, Compdata Surveys collected workforce data from 61 Nebraska hospitals employing 25,928 full-timeequivalentemployees.Forty-sixofthesehospitals,employing7,297full-timeequivalentemployeesareclassifiedascritical access hospitals.

The data collected for this report was from the 2014 calendar year and the results are provided by state, as well as by NHA district. No data elements are reported with fewer than five participating organizations. If the minimum sample requirements are not satisfied, an asterisk (*) is displayed. Due to insufficient data provided in 2015, District 1 is included in statewide vacancy and turnover rates, but does not show as a separate breakout.

In 2014, vacancy rates in Nebraska hospitals increased for 75 percent of the positions surveyed. Overall, turnover rates decreased for 82 percent of positions surveyed. Comparatively, critical access hospitals experienced higher vacancy rates for 69 percent of the jobs surveyed. The turnover decreased to 50 percent from 68 percent last year.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the variance between eligible Nebraska workforce and actual employment levels continues to dwindle.Therefore, despite increased turnoverand stable vacancy ratesforNebraska hospitals, eligible candidates are continuing to be successful in securing new employment.


## LABOR FORCE \& EMPLOYMENT LEVELS

In 2014, the Nebraska unemployment rate remained stable, ending the year at 3.1 percent, which is down from last December at 3.6 percent. Over the last several years, the consistent decline in variance between labor force and employment levels indicates that not only is the Nebraska labor force continuing to find employment, but also the job market is potentially improving. There was a significant difference between last year's percent change and this year's. The total variance between labor force and employment dropped by an average of 4,000 . This signifies that the margin between those eligible to work and those employed is shrinking.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the national healthcare industry has experienced growth with an average of 32,500 jobs added per month over the past year. By the end of 2014, health care added 309,000 jobs, up from 208,000 jobs added in 2013.

VARIANCE BETWEEN NEBRASKA LABOR FORCE \& EMPLOYMENT

| 2014 |  |  |  | 2013 to 2014 <br> TOTAL VARIANCE | 2013 to 2014 <br> $\%$ CHANGE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MONTH | LABOR FORCE | EMPLOYMENT | VARIANCE |  | $-10.4 \%$ |
| January | $1,022,384$ | 986,863 | 35,521 | $-4,127$ | $-10.5 \%$ |
| February | $1,022,584$ | 987,302 | 35,282 | $-4,232$ | $-10.8 \%$ |
| March | $1,022,651$ | 987,645 | 35,006 | $-4,431$ | $-11.3 \%$ |
| April | $1,022,571$ | 987,895 | 34,676 | $-4,691$ | $-4,915$ |
| May | $1,022,406$ | 988,134 | 34,272 | $-4,998$ | $-12.0 \%$ |
| June | $1,022,244$ | 988,434 | 33,810 | $-4,915$ | $-4,703$ |
| July | $1,022,095$ | 988,767 | 33,328 | $-13.0 \%$ |  |
| August | $1,021,950$ | 989,091 | 32,859 | $-4,567$ | $-12.0 \%$ |
| September | $1,021,768$ | 989,363 | 32,405 | $-4,570$ | $-12.5 \%$ |
| October | $1,021,500$ | 989,565 | 31,935 | $-4,629$ | $-12.7 \%$ |
| November | $1,021,187$ | 989,689 | 31,498 | 31,139 | $-12.9 \%$ |
| December | $1,020,889$ | 989,750 |  |  |  |

NEBRASKA UNEMPLOYMENT DECLINING SINCE 2009

| 2009 to 2014 |  | 2009 to 2014 <br> TOTAL DECLINE | 2009 to 2014 <br> $\%$ CHANGE |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MONTH | 2009 UNEMPLOYMENT |  | $-5,469$ | $-13.3 \%$ |
| January | 40,990 | 35,521 | $-7,576$ | $-17.7 \%$ |
| February | 42,858 | 35,282 | $-9,489$ | $-21.3 \%$ |
| March | 44,495 | 35,006 | $-11,141$ | $-24.3 \%$ |
| April | 45,817 | 34,676 | $-12,513$ | $-26.7 \%$ |
| May | 46,785 | 34,272 | $-13,538$ | $-28.6 \%$ |
| June | 47,348 | 33,810 | $-14,251$ | $-30.0 \%$ |
| July | 47,579 | 33,328 | $-14,734$ | $-31.0 \%$ |
| August | 47,593 | 32,859 | $-15,147$ | $-31.9 \%$ |
| September | 47,552 | 32,405 | $-15,704$ | $-33.0 \%$ |
| October | 47,639 | 31,935 | $-16,324$ | $-34.1 \%$ |
| November | 47,822 | 31,498 | $-16,834$ | $-35.1 \%$ |
| December | 47,973 | 31,139 |  |  |

[^0]
## LABOR FORCE \& EMPLOYMENT LEVELS

## 2014 NEBRASKA LABOR FORCE \& EMPLOYMENT LEVELS



Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, http://www.bls.gov

UNITED STATES - AGE OF WORKERS

| AGE OF WORKERS | \# OF WORKERS <br> (in thousands) |  |  |  | VARIANCE <br> (in thousands) |  |  | PERCENT CHANGE |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, http://www.bls.gov

UNITED STATES - 2014 AGE OF LABOR FORCE

| AGE OF WORKERS | TOTAL LABOR FORCE <br> (in thousands) | TOTAL EMPLOYED LABOR FORCE <br> (in thousands) | TOTAL UNEMPLOYED LABOR FORCE <br> (in thousands) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 16 and Older | 155,922 | 146,305 | 9,617 |
| 16 to 24 Years Old | 21,295 | 18,442 | 2,853 |
| 25 to 54 Years Old | 100,767 | 95,497 | 5,270 |
| 55 and Older | 33,860 | 32,366 | 1,494 |

[^1]
## LABOR FORCE \& EMPLOYMENT LEVELS

UNITED STATES LABOR FORCE BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

| EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT | EDMPLOYMENT STATUS | May 2012 | May 2013 | May 2014 | May 2015 | $\begin{gathered} \text { VARIANCE } \\ \text { FROM } \\ 2014 \text { TO } 2015 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { VARIANCE } \\ & \text { FROM } \\ & 2012 \text { TO } 2015 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bachelor's Degree and Higher | Civilian Labor Force (in thousands) | 48,191 | 49,414 | 50,208 | 51,938 | 1,730 | 3,747 |
|  | Employed (in thousands) | 46,408 | 47,536 | 48,611 | 50,518 | 1,907 | 4,110 |
|  | Unemployed (in thousands) | 1,783 | 1,878 | 1,596 | 1,419 | -177 | -364 |
|  | Unemployment Rate | 3.7\% | 3.8\% | 3.2\% | 2.7\% | -0.5\% | -1.0\% |
| Associate's Degree or Some College | Civilian Labor Force (in thousands) | 36,899 | 37,371 | 37,178 | 37,594 | 416 | 695 |
|  | Employed (in thousands) | 34,157 | 34,950 | 35,131 | 35,934 | 803 | 1,777 |
|  | Unemployed (in thousands) | 2,741 | 2,421 | 2,047 | 1,660 | -387 | -1,081 |
|  | Unemployment Rate | 7.4\% | 6.5\% | 5.5\% | 4.4\% | -1.1\% | -3.0\% |
| High School Graduates with No College | Civilian Labor Force (in thousands) | 37,119 | 36,287 | 36,096 | 35,341 | -755 | -1,778 |
|  | Employed (in thousands) | 34,239 | 33,612 | 33,750 | 33,304 | -446 | -935 |
|  | Unemployed (in thousands) | 2,880 | 2,676 | 2,346 | 2,037 | -309 | -843 |
|  | Unemployment Rate | 7.8\% | 7.4\% | 6.5\% | 5.8\% | -0.7\% | -2.0\% |
| Less than a High School Diploma | Civilian Labor Force (in thousands) | 11,670 | 11,205 | 10,861 | 11,153 | 292 | -517 |
|  | Employed (in thousands) | 10,242 | 9,972 | 9,869 | 10,192 | 323 | -50 |
|  | Unemployed (in thousands) | 1,428 | 1,232 | 993 | 961 | -32 | -467 |
|  | Unemployment Rate | 12.2\% | 11.0\% | 9.1\% | 8.6\% | -0.5\% | -3.6\% |

Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, http://www.bls.gov

HEALTHCARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE EMPLOYERS BY COUNTY

| County Name | \# of Employers |
| ---: | :---: |
| Douglas County | 3,209 |
| Lancaster County | 1,410 |
| Sarpy County | 493 |
| Hall County | 307 |
| Buffalo County | 293 |
| Madison County | 269 |
| Scotts Bluff County | 238 |
| Dodge County | 209 |
| Lincoln County | 218 |
| Adams County | 217 |
| Statewide Nebraska | 9,441 |

Source: Nebraska Department of Labor, http://www.dol.nebraska.gov

## CT TECHNOLOGIST

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of CT technologists will increase by 21 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 1.2\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 4.2\%


## CT TECHNOLOGIST



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The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of CT technologists will increase by 21 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

 Statewide 3.1\%

TURNOVER RATE Statewide 10.5\%


CT TECHNOLOGIST


## MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI) TECHNOLOGIST R.T.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of MRI technologists will increase by 23 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 2.3\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 2.3\%


Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
Technologist R.T


## MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI) TECHNOLOGIST R.T.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of MRI technologists will increase by 23 percent from 2012 to 2022.

CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 6.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 6.6\%


Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Technologist R.T


## MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN MLT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of MLTs will increase by 30 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 1.9\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 8.1\%


MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN MLT


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The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of MLTs will increase by 30 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 2.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 11.1\%


MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN MLT


## MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST MT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of MTs will increase by 14 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 2.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 4.7\%


MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST MT


## MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST MT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of MTs will increase by 14 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 6.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 10.8\%


MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST MT


## NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGIST R.T.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of nuclear medicine technologists will increase by 20 percent from 2012 to 2022.

ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 4.2\%

turnover rate Statewide 2.1\%


Nuclear Medicine Technologist R.T.


Calendar Year

## NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGIST R.T.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of nuclear medicine technologists will increase by 20 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 0.0\%

turnover rate
Statewide 0.0\%



Calendar Year

## RADIOLOGY TECHNOLOGIST R.T.R.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of RTRs will increase by 21 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 1.1\%

turnover rate
Statewide 3.0\%


RADIOLOGY TECHNOLOGIST R.T.R.


## RADIOLOGY TECHNOLOGIST R.T.R.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of RTRs will increase by 21 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 1.7\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 5.0\%


RADIOLOGY TECHNOLOGIST R.T.R.


## SONOGRAPHER - ULTRASOUND

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of sonographers will increase by 46 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 2.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 1.3\%


SONOGRAPHER - ULTRASOUND


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The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of sonographers will increase by 46 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 5.5\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 1.8\%


SONOGRAPHER - ULTRASOUND


## LPN - (NON-I.V. CERTIFIED)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of LPNs will increase by 25 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 3.7\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 9.7\%



## LPN - (NON-I.V. CERTIFIED)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of LPNs will increase by 25 percent from 2012 to 2022.

CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 5.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 12.5\%


LPN - (NON-I.V. CERTIFIED)


## LPN - (I.V. CERTIFIED)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of LPNs will increase by 25 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 4.3\%


## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 5.1\%



## LPN - (I.V. CERTIFIED)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of LPNs will increase by 25 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 2.5\%


## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 6.1\%


LPN - (I.V. CERTIFIED)


## NURSE ANESTHETIST - CERTIFIED REGISTERED (CRNA)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of CRNA's will increase by 25 percent from 2012 to 2022.
ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE <br> Statewide 4.0\%



## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 4.0\%



## NURSE ANESTHETIST - CERTIFIED REGISTERED (CRNA)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of CRNA's will increase by 25 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 3.0\%


## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 0.0\%



## NURSE - STAFF (RN)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of RNs will increase by 19 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 3.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 4.4\%



## NURSE - STAFF (RN)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of RNs will increase by 19 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 6.1\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 13.2\%



## NURSE PRACTITIONER (RN)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of RNs will increase by 34 percent from 2012 to 2022. Advanced practice RNs will be in higher demand.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 4.4\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 4.3\%


NURSE PRACTITIONER (RN)


Calendar Year

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The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of RNs will increase by 34 percent from 2012 to 2022. Advanced practice RNs will be in higher demand.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 0.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 11.6\%



## UNLICENSED ASSISTIVE PERSONNEL (nurse assistant \& Patient care tech)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of CNAs will increase by 21 percent and employment of personal care aides will increase by 49 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 3.9\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 11.9\%


UNLICENSED ASSISTIVE PERSONNEL


## UNLICENSED ASSISTIVE PERSONNEL (nurse assistant \& patient care tech)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of CNAs will increase by 21 percent and employment of personal care aides will increase by 49 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 10.2\%


## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 24.0\%


UNLICENSED ASSISTIVE PERSONNEL


Calendar Year

## OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of OTs will increase by 29 percent from 2012 to 2022.
ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 2.4\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 3.9\%


OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST


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The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of OTs will increase by 29 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 2.1\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 6.4\%


OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST


## PHYSICAL THERAPIST

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of PTs will increase by 36 percent from 2012 to 2022.
ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 2.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 1.9\%


PHYSICAL THERAPIST


## PHYSICAL THERAPIST

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of PTs will increase by 36 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 3.4\%


## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 3.4\%



## PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANT - CERTIFIED (PTA)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of PTAs will increase by 41 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 1.5\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 5.6\%


PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANT -
CERTIFIED (PTA)


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The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of PTAs will increase by 41 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 2.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 9.5\%



## RESPIRATORY THERAPIST - CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of respiratory therapists will increase by 19 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 1.1\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 0.0\%



## RESPIRATORY THERAPIST - CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of respiratory therapists will increase by 19 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 2.3\%


## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 0.0\%



## RESPIRATORY THERAPIST - REGISTERED

The Bureau of LaborStatistics predicts national employment of respiratory therapists will increase by 19 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 4.3\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 3.9\%



## RESPIRATORY THERAPIST - REGISTERED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of respiratory therapists will increase by 19 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 8.9\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 11.2\%



## PHARMACIST - STAFF

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of pharmacists will increase by 14 percent from 2012 to 2022.
ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 0.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 1.7\%



## PHARMACIST - STAFF

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of pharmacists will increase by 14 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 2.7\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 0.3\%



## PHARMACY TECHNICIAN - CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of pharmacy techs will increase by 20 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 2.7\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 7.8\%



## PHARMACY TECHNICIAN - CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of pharmacy techs will increase by 20 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 4.7\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 13.1\%


PHARMACY TECHNICIAN - CERTIFIED


## SURGICAL TECHNICIAN - NON-CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of surgical techs will increase by 30 percent from 2012 to 2022.
ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 8.6\%

TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 9.6\%


SURGICAL TECHNICIAN - NON-CERTIFIED


## SURGICAL TECHNICIAN - NON-CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of surgical techs will increase by 30 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 26.9\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 22.6\%


SURGICAL TECHNICIAN - NON-CERTIFIED


## HEALTH INFORMATION DIRECTOR

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 0.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 4.6\%



## HEALTH INFORMATION DIRECTOR

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 0.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 3.4\%


Health Information Director


## MEDICAL RECORDS CODER

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of coders will increase by 22 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 5.1\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 6.9\%


MEDICAL RECORDS CODER


## MEDICAL RECORDS CODER

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of coders will increase by 22 percent from 2012 to 2022.
CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 5.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 7.5\%


MEDICAL RECORDS CODER


## PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of physician assistants will increase by 38 percent from 2012 to 2022.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE <br> Statewide 5.0\%

TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 10.9\%



## PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of physician assistants will increase by 38 percent from 2012 to 2022.

CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 4.2\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 14.6\%


PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT


Calendar Year

## CLINICAL INFORMATICS SPECIALIST

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 5.9\%

TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 5.9\%


CLINICAL INFORMATICS SPECIALIST


## CLINICAL INFORMATICS SPECIALIST

CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 3.7\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 7.1\%


CLINICAL INFORMATICS SPECIALIST


## FORECASTS

The national unemployment rate has slowly dwindled over the past couple of years and continued to drop throughout 2014. It ended the year at 5.6 percent. This is remarkably close to the end of year unemployment rate for the Midwest region which declined ever so slightly throughout the year, varying between 6.6 and 5.3 percent, before dropping to 5.3 percent in December 2014.

NATIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (\%)


## MIDWEST UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (\%)



Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, http://www.bls.gov

## FORECASTS

The unemployment rate for Nebraska held steady through much of 2014 around 3.5 percent, before continuing its decline in June. The Nebraska unemployment rate was reported at 2.6 percent as of June 2015, which dropped the state to the lowest unemployment across the United States.

## NEBRASKA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (\%)



UNEMPLOYMENT COMPARISONS

| GEOGRAPHIC AREA | \% UNEMPLOYMENT |  |  | 2 YEAR <br> VARIANCE | 3 YEAR <br> VARIANCE |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |  | $-1.6 \%$ |
| United States | $7.8 \%$ | $7.4 \%$ | $6.2 \%$ | $-1.2 \%$ | $-0.5 \%$ |
| Nebraska | $3.8 \%$ | $3.7 \%$ | $3.3 \%$ | $-0.4 \%$ | $-0.6 \%$ |
| Lincoln | $4.1 \%$ | $4.1 \%$ | $3.5 \%$ | $-0.6 \%$ |  |
| Omaha-Council Bluffs | $3.5 \%$ | $3.7 \%$ | $3.3 \%$ | $-0.4 \%$ | $-0.2 \%$ |
| Northern Nebraska Area | $3.3 \%$ | $3.4 \%$ | $3.0 \%$ | $-0.4 \%$ | $-0.3 \%$ |
| Southern Nebraska Area | $3.0 \%$ | $3.1 \%$ | $3.0 \%$ | $-0.1 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| Western Nebraska Area | $3.5 \%$ | $3.6 \%$ | $3.3 \%$ | $-0.3 \%$ | $-0.2 \%$ |

Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, http://www.bls.gov

## Staffing Agency Dollars

In 2014, 42 percent of Nebraska healthcare organizations reported using temporary staffing agencies to fill their vacancy gaps, which is down from 52 percent in 2013, yet up from 16 percent in 2012. Two-thirds of these were critical access hospitals. Overall, healthcare organizations spent more than $\$ 36$ million staffing temporary employees, which is more than triple from $\$ 10$ million of what was spent in 2013. The average spent per hospital more than doubled from over $\$ 500,000$ in 2013 to more than $\$ 1.3$ million in 2014. In addition, the average spent by critical access hospitals increased from approximately $\$ 182,000$ to $\$ 192,148$.

## WORKFORCE DEMAND

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, total U.S. employment is expected to increase by 15.6 million jobs from 2012 to 2022. This is down by almost 5.5 million jobs from the 2010 to 2020 estimate. Occupations in health care are projected to have the fastest growth of all new jobs in the country over the next decade. This equates to 5.0 million new health care jobs, which is onethird of the total job growth projected.

Of the 30 occupations projected to have the largest percentage increase, producing 7.4 million jobs between 2012 to 2022, 14 of these occupations are related to the health care industry. In fact, health care support and practitioner occupations are expected to grow over 20 percent in the next 10 years.
PROJECTIONS FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS IN NEBRASKA, 2012-2022

| Nebraska | Estimated <br> Employment <br> in 2012 | Projected <br> Employment <br> in 2022 | Projected <br> Number of <br> New Jobs | Percent <br> Change |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnostic Medical Sonographers | 470 | 570 | 100 | $21.3 \%$ |
| Licensed Practical and Vocational Nurses | 6,290 | 7,680 | 1,390 | $22.1 \%$ |
| Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists | 73 | 81 | 8 | $11.0 \%$ |
| Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians | 1,340 | 1,580 | 240 | $17.9 \%$ |
| Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologists | 1,690 | 1,870 | 180 | $10.7 \%$ |
| Nuclear Medicine Technologists | 152 | 168 | 16 | $10.5 \%$ |
| Nurse Anesthetists | 397 | 481 | 84 | $21.2 \%$ |
| Occupational Therapists | 830 | 1,010 | 180 | $21.7 \%$ |
| Pharmacists | 2,460 | 2,690 | 230 | $9.3 \%$ |
| Physical Therapists | 1,490 | 1,940 | 450 | $30.2 \%$ |
| Radiologic Technologists and Technicians | 22,050 | 2,100 | 270 | $14.8 \%$ |
| Registered Nurses | 1,030 | 1,150 | 120 | $11.7 \%$ |
| Respiratory Therapists | 2,790 | 2,740 | $12.4 \%$ |  |

Source: United States Department of Labor, CareerOneStop, America's Career InfoNet, www.careerinfonet.org

PROJECTIONS FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS IN THE U.S., 2012-2022

| United States | Estimated <br> Employment <br> in 2012 | Projected <br> Employment <br> in 2022 | Projected <br> Number of <br> New Jobs | Percent <br> Change |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnostic Medical Sonographers | 58,800 | 85,900 | 27,100 | $46.1 \%$ |
| Licensed Practical and Vocational Nurses | 738,400 | 921,300 | 182,900 | $24.8 \%$ |
| Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists | 30,100 | 37,200 | 7,100 | $23.6 \%$ |
| Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians | 161,500 | 209,400 | 47,900 | $29.7 \%$ |
| Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologists | 164,300 | 187,100 | 22,800 | $13.9 \%$ |
| Nuclear Medicine Technologists | 20,900 | 25,100 | 4,200 | $20.1 \%$ |
| Nurse Anesthetists | 35,200 | 43,900 | 8,700 | $24.7 \%$ |
| Occupational Therapists | 113,200 | 146,100 | 32,900 | $29.1 \%$ |
| Pharmacists | 286,400 | 327,800 | 41,400 | $14.5 \%$ |
| Physical Therapists | 204,200 | 277,700 | 73,500 | $36.0 \%$ |
| Radiologic Technologists and Technicians | 199,200 | 240,800 | 41,600 | $20.9 \%$ |
| Registered Nurses | $2,711,500$ | $3,238,400$ | 526,900 | $19.4 \%$ |
| Respiratory Therapists | 119,300 | 142,100 | 22,800 | $19.1 \%$ |

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Office of Occupational Statistics and Employment Projections, www.bls.gov/emp

## WORKFORCE DEMAND

DISTRIBUTION OF HIGHEST EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

| United States | Less than <br> high <br> school <br> diploma | High school <br> diploma or <br> equivalent | Some <br> College, <br> no degree | Associate's <br> Degree | Bachelor's <br> Degree | Master's <br> Degree | Doctoral or <br> Professional <br> Degree |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnostic Medical Sonographers | $0.7 \%$ | $8.6 \%$ | $21.9 \%$ | $45.5 \%$ | $19.7 \%$ | $2.4 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ |
| Licensed Practical and Vocational Nurses | $1.0 \%$ | $18.7 \%$ | $58.2 \%$ | $17.4 \%$ | $3.7 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ |
| Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists | $0.7 \%$ | $8.6 \%$ | $21.9 \%$ | $45.5 \%$ | $19.7 \%$ | $2.4 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ |
| Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians | $1.0 \%$ | $10.9 \%$ | $18.6 \%$ | $17.1 \%$ | $44.1 \%$ | $5.5 \%$ | $2.7 \%$ |
| MedicalandClinicalLaboratoryTechnologists | $1.0 \%$ | $10.9 \%$ | $18.6 \%$ | $17.1 \%$ | $44.1 \%$ | $5.5 \%$ | $2.7 \%$ |
| Nuclear Medicine Technologists | $0.7 \%$ | $8.6 \%$ | $21.9 \%$ | $45.5 \%$ | $19.7 \%$ | $2.4 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ |
| Nurse Anesthetists | $0.3 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ | $4.5 \%$ | $4.1 \%$ | $14.9 \%$ | $64.2 \%$ | $11.5 \%$ |
| Occupational Therapists | $0.0 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $8.5 \%$ | $49.1 \%$ | $36.2 \%$ | $5.1 \%$ |
| Pharmacists | $0.1 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $0.7 \%$ | $41.7 \%$ | $5.6 \%$ | $50.8 \%$ |
| Physical Therapists | $0.4 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ | $6.1 \%$ | $38.2 \%$ | $29.9 \%$ | $23.1 \%$ |
| Radiologic Technologists and Technicians | $0.7 \%$ | $8.6 \%$ | $21.9 \%$ | $45.5 \%$ | $19.7 \%$ | $2.4 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ |
| Registered Nurses | $0.2 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ | $5.2 \%$ | $38.1 \%$ | $46.0 \%$ | $7.7 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ |
| Respiratory Therapists | $0.2 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ | $14.0 \%$ | $55.2 \%$ | $24.9 \%$ | $2.6 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ |

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Office of Occupational Statistics and Employment Projections

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Methodist Health System
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Osmond General Hospital
Pawnee County Memorial Hospital
Pender Community Hospital
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