## 2016 <br> 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 2016, Compdata Surveys \& Consulting collected workforce data from 52 Nebraska hospitals employing 22,325 full-time equivalent employees. Forty of these hospitals, employing 6,269 full-time equivalent employees are classified as critical access hospitals.

The data collected for this report was from the 2015 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.

In 2015, vacancy rates for the positions surveyed in Nebraska hospitals averaged 8.6 percent. Turnover rates for the positions surveyed averaged 5.7 percent. Comparatively, critical access hospitals experienced lower average vacancy rates at 6.6 percent and higher average turnover at 12.3 percent.

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


## LABOR FORCE \& EMPLOYMENT LEVELS

In 2015, the Nebraska unemployment rate remained stable, ending the year at 3.0 percent, which is slightly up from last December at 2.9 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 for employees. The total variance between labor force and employment dropped by an average of 2,600 . This signifies that the margin between those eligible to work and those employed is shrinking compared to 2014.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the national healthcare industry has experienced growth with an average of 39,500 jobs added per month over the past year. By the end of 2015, healthcare added 475,000 jobs, up from 309,000 jobs added in 2014.

VARIANCE BETWEEN NEBRASKA LABOR FORCE \& EMPLOYMENT

| 2015 |  |  |  | 2014 to 2015 <br> TOTAL VARIANCE | $\begin{gathered} 2014 \text { to } 2015 \\ \% \text { CHANGE } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MONTH | LABOR FORCE | EMPLOYMENT | VARIANCE |  |  |
| January | 1,009,921 | 980,990 | 28,931 | -6,482 | -18.3\% |
| February | 1,009,747 | 981,068 | 28,679 | -6,431 | -18.3\% |
| March | 1,009,795 | 981,147 | 28,648 | -6,059 | -17.5\% |
| April | 1,010,137 | 981,250 | 28,887 | -5,305 | -15.5\% |
| May | 1,010,803 | 981,459 | 29,344 | -4,226 | -12.6\% |
| June | 1,011,807 | 981,899 | 29,908 | -2,976 | -9.0\% |
| July | 1,012,994 | 982,586 | 30,408 | -1,796 | -5.6\% |
| August | 1,014,122 | 983,399 | 30,723 | -872 | -2.8\% |
| September | 1,015,076 | 984,213 | 30,863 | -190 | -0.6\% |
| October | 1,015,843 | 984,933 | 30,910 | 402 | 1.3\% |
| November | 1,016,433 | 985,534 | 30,899 | 988 | 3.3\% |
| December | 1,016,800 | 985,954 | 30,846 | 1,487 | 5.1\% |

NEBRASKA UNEMPLOYMENT DECLINING SINCE 2010

| 2010 to 2015 |  |  | 2010 to 2015 <br> TOTAL DECLINE | 2010 to 2015 <br> $\%$ CHANGE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MONTH | 2010 UNEMPLOYMENT | 2015 UNEMPLOYMENT |  | $-19,111$ |
| January | 48,042 | 28,679 | $-19,288$ | $-39.8 \%$ |
| February | 47,967 | 28,648 | $-18,998$ | $-40.2 \%$ |
| March | 47,646 | 28,887 | $-18,173$ | $-38.9 \%$ |
| April | 47,060 | 29,344 | $-16,963$ | $-36.6 \%$ |
| May | 46,307 | 29,908 | $-15,699$ | $-34.4 \%$ |
| June | 45,607 | 30,408 | $-14,651$ | $-32.5 \%$ |
| July | 45,059 | 30,723 | $-13,961$ | $-31.2 \%$ |
| August | 44,684 | 30,863 | $-13,635$ | $-30.6 \%$ |
| September | 44,498 | 30,910 | $-13,557$ | $-30.5 \%$ |
| October | 44,467 | 30,899 | $-13,624$ | $-30.6 \%$ |
| November | 44,523 | 30,846 | $-13,756$ | $-30.8 \%$ |
| December | 44,602 |  |  |  |

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

## LABOR FORCE \& EMPLOYMENT LEVELS

## 2015 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 - 2015 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 | 157,130 | 148,834 | 8,296 |
| 16 to 24 Years Old | 21,223 | 18,756 | 2,467 |
| 25 to 54 Years Old | 101,152 | 96,638 | 4,515 |
| 55 and Older | 34,755 | 33,440 | 1,315 |

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## LABOR FORCE \& EMPLOYMENT LEVELS

UNITED STATES LABOR FORCE BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

| EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT | EDMPLOYMENT STATUS | May 2013 | May 2014 | May 2015 | May 2016 | VARIANCE <br> FROM 2015 <br> TO 2016 | VARIANCE <br> FROM 2013 <br> TO 2016 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bachelor's Degree and Higher | Civilian Labor Force (in thousands) | 49,414 | 50,208 | 51,989 | 53,398 | 1,409 | 3,984 |
|  | Employed (in thousands) | 47,536 | 48,611 | 50,567 | 52,113 | 1,546 | 4,577 |
|  | Unemployed (in thousands) | 1,878 | 1,596 | 1,422 | 1,285 | -137 | -593 |
|  | Unemployment Rate | 3.8\% | 3.2\% | 2.7\% | 2.4\% | -0.3\% | -1.4\% |
| Associate's Degree or Some College | Civilian Labor Force (in thousands) | 37,371 | 37,178 | 37,479 | 37,829 | 350 | 458 |
|  | Employed (in thousands) | 34,950 | 35,131 | 35,827 | 36,364 | 537 | 1,414 |
|  | Unemployed (in thousands) | 2,421 | 2,047 | 1,651 | 1,465 | -186 | -956 |
|  | Unemployment Rate | 6.5\% | 5.5\% | 4.4\% | 3.9\% | -0.5\% | -2.6\% |
| High School Graduates with No College | Civilian Labor Force (in thousands) | 36,287 | 36,096 | 35,380 | 35,536 | 156 | -751 |
|  | Employed (in thousands) | 33,612 | 33,750 | 33,347 | 33,728 | 381 | 116 |
|  | Unemployed (in thousands) | 2,676 | 2,346 | 2,033 | 1,808 | -225 | -868 |
|  | Unemployment Rate | 7.4\% | 6.5\% | 5.7\% | 5.1\% | -0.6\% | -2.3\% |
| Less than a High School Diploma | Civilian Labor Force (in thousands) | 11,205 | 10,861 | 11,100 | 10,464 | -636 | -741 |
|  | Employed (in thousands) | 9,972 | 9,869 | 10,156 | 9,720 | -436 | -252 |
|  | Unemployed (in thousands) | 1,232 | 993 | 944 | 744 | -200 | -488 |
|  | Unemployment Rate | 11.0\% | 9.1\% | 8.5\% | 7.1\% | -1.4\% | -3.9\% |

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 | 4,521 |
| Lancaster County | 1,832 |
| Sarpy County | 644 |
| Buffalo County | 380 |
| Hall County | 362 |
| Madison County | 303 |
| Scotts Bluff County | 280 |
| Adams County | 264 |
| Lincoln County | 252 |
| Dodge County | 241 |
| Statewide Nebraska | $\mathbf{1 1 , 9 2 1}$ |

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 9 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 5.7\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 4.7\%


CT TECHNOLOGIST


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The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of CT technologists will increase by 9 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

 Statewide 4.2\%

TURNOVER RATE Statewide 12.8\%


CT TECHNOLOGIST


Calendar Year

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

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of MRI technologists will increase by 9 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 7.3\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 6.1\%


MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI) TECHNOLOGIST R.T.


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CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 3.9\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 14.0\%


MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI) TECHNOLOGIST R.T.


## MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN MLT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of MLTs will increase by 16 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 8.9\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 9.3\%


MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN MLT


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The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of MLTs will increase by 16 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 8.3\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 11.9\%




Calendar Year

## MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST MT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of MTs will increase by 16 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 3.4\%


## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 3.3\%


MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST MT


## MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST MT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of MTs will increase by 16 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 2.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 4.6\%




## NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGIST R.T.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of nuclear medicine technologists will increase by 2 percent from 2014 to 2024.

ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 1.6\%


TURNOVER RATE Statewide 1.6\%



## NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGIST R.T.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of nuclear medicine technologists will increase by 2 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 0.0\%

tURNOVER RATE
Statewide 0.0\%


NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGIST R.T.


## RADIOLOGY TECHNOLOGIST R.T.R.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of RTRs will increase by 9 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 4.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 6.4\%


RADIOLOGY TECHNOLOGIST R.T.R.


## RADIOLOGY TECHNOLOGIST R.T.R.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of RTRs will increase by 9 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 1.5\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 8.2\%


RADIOLOGY TECHNOLOGIST R.T.R.


## SONOGRAPHER - ULTRASOUND

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of sonographers will increase by 24 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 6.2\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 9.4\%


SONOGRAPHER - ULTRASOUND


Calendar Year

## SONOGRAPHER - ULTRASOUND

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of sonographers will increase by 24 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 5.1\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 14.5\%



Calendar Year

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

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of LPNs will increase by 16 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 9.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 9.9\%



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

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of LPNs will increase by 16 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 8.1\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 13.4\%


LPN - (NON-I.V. CERTIFIED)



## LPN - (I.V. CERTIFIED)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of LPNs will increase by 16 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 5.4\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 9.5\%




## LPN - (I.V. CERTIFIED)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of LPNs will increase by 16 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

 Statewide 7.0\%

## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 10.2\%


LPN - (I.V. CERTIFIED)


Calendar Year

## NURSE ANESTHETIST - CERTIFIED REGISTERED (CRNA)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of CRNA's will increase by 31 percent from 2014 to 2024.
ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE <br> Statewide 9.0\%



## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 0.0\%


## NURSE ANESTHETIST - CERTIFIED REGISTERED (CRNA)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of CRNA's will increase by 31 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 0.0\%


## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 0.0\%


NURSE ANESTHETIST - CERTIFIED REGISTERED (CRNA)


## NURSE - STAFF (RN)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of RNs will increase by 16 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 10.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 5.2\%



## NURSE - STAFF (RN)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of RNs will increase by 16 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 7.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 13.7\%



## NURSE PRACTITIONER (RN)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of nurse practitioner (RN) will increase by 31 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 6.4\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 3.2\%


NURSE PRACTITIONER (RN)


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The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of nurse practirioners (RN) will increase by 31 percent from 2014 to 2024 .

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 5.7\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 8.3\%



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

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of CNAs will increase by 17 percent and employment of personal care aides will increase by 26 percent from 2014 to 2024.

ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 8.7\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 8.9\%


UNLICENSED ASSISTIVE PERSONNEL


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## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 8.2\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 20.5\%


UNLICENSED ASSISTIVE PERSONNEL


## OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of OTs will increase by 27 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 6.3\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 1.5\%


OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST


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The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of OTs will increase by 27 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 8.9\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 5.3\%


OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST


## PHYSICAL THERAPIST

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of PTs will increase by 34 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 5.1\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 1.6\%


PHYSICAL THERAPIST


## PHYSICAL THERAPIST

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of PTs will increase by 34 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 1.2\%


## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 3.5\%


PHYSICAL THERAPIST


Calendar Year

## PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANT - CERTIFIED (PTA)

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of PTAs will increase by 40 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 2.4\%

TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 3.2\%


PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANT -
CERTIFIED (PTA)


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The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of PTAs will increase by 40 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

 Statewide 5.8\%

TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 4.4\%



## RESPIRATORY THERAPIST - CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of respiratory therapists will increase by 12 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 0.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 9.9\%



## RESPIRATORY THERAPIST - CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of respiratory therapists will increase by 12 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 0.0\%


## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 3.1\%



Calendar Year

## RESPIRATORY THERAPIST - REGISTERED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of respiratory therapists will increase by 12 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 5.1\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 6.1\%



## RESPIRATORY THERAPIST - REGISTERED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of respiratory therapists will increase by 12 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 5.2\%

turnover rate
Statewide 11.6\%



## PHARMACIST - STAFF

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of pharmacists will increase by 3 percent from 2014 to 2024.
ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 4.8\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 2.0\%



Calendar Year

## PHARMACIST - STAFF

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of pharmacists will increase by 3 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 11.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 8.5\%



Calendar Year

## PHARMACY TECHNICIAN - CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of pharmacy techs will increase by 9 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

VACANCY RATE
Statewide 11.7\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 5.1\%



## PHARMACY TECHNICIAN - CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of pharmacy techs will increase by 9 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 7.6\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 7.8\%


PHARMACY TECHNICIAN - CERTIFIED



Calendar Year

## SURGICAL TECHNICIAN - NON-CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of surgical techs will increase by 15 percent from 2014 to 2024.
ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 11.3\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 4.9\%


SURGICAL TECHNICIAN - NON-CERTIFIED


## SURGICAL TECHNICIAN - NON-CERTIFIED

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of surgical techs will increase by 15 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 22.0\%


## TURNOVER RATE

Statewide 14.2\%



## HEALTH INFORMATION DIRECTOR

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 6.5\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 9.4\%


HEATH INFORMATION DIRECTOR


## HEALTH INFORMATION DIRECTOR

## CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 8.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 11.6\%


HEALTH INFORMATION DIRECTOR


## MEDICAL RECORDS CODER

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of coders will increase by 15 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 2.5\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 10.1\%


MEDICAL RECORDS CODER


Calendar Year

## MEDICAL RECORDS CODER

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of coders will increase by 15 percent from 2014 to 2024.
CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 3.0\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 11.1\%


MEDICAL RECORDS CODER


Calendar Year

## PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of physician assistants will increase by 30 percent from 2014 to 2024.

## ALL HOSPITALS

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 8.3\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 5.2\%



## PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts national employment of physician assistants will increase by 30 percent from 2014 to 2024.

CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 4.4\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 12.2\%


PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT


## CLINICAL INFORMATICS SPECIALIST (RN)



## CLINICAL INFORMATICS SPECIALIST (RN)

CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS ONLY

## VACANCY RATE

Statewide 9.5\%


TURNOVER RATE
Statewide 9.5\%


CLINICAL INFORMATICS SPECIALIST (RN)


## FORECASTS

The national unemployment rate has slowly dwindled over the past couple of years and continued to drop throughout 2015. It ended the year at 5.0 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 5.2 and 4.7 percent, before ending at 4.7 percent in December 2015.


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 2015 around 3.0 percent. The Nebraska unemployment rate averaged 3.0 percent for 2015, which was the second lowest state unemployment across the United States.

## NEBRASKA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (\%)



UNEMPLOYMENT COMPARISONS

| GEOGRAPHIC AREA | \% UNEMPLOYMENT |  |  | 1 YEAR <br> VARIANCE | 2 YEAR <br> VARIANCE |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |  | $-2.1 \%$ |
| United States | $7.4 \%$ | $6.2 \%$ | $5.3 \%$ | $-0.9 \%$ | $-0.7 \%$ |
| Nebraska | $3.7 \%$ | $3.3 \%$ | $3.0 \%$ | $-0.3 \%$ | $-0.4 \%$ |
| Omaha-Council Bluffs | $4.1 \%$ | $3.5 \%$ | $3.1 \%$ | $-0 \%$ |  |
| Northern Nebraska Area | $3.7 \%$ | $3.3 \%$ | $3.0 \%$ | $-0.3 \%$ | $-0.7 \%$ |
| Western Nebraska Area | $3.4 \%$ | $3.0 \%$ | $2.6 \%$ | $-0.4 \%$ | $-0.8 \%$ |
| Southern Nebraska Area | $3.1 \%$ | $3.0 \%$ | $2.8 \%$ | $-0.2 \%$ | $-0.3 \%$ |
| Lincoln | $3.6 \%$ | $3.3 \%$ | $2.9 \%$ | $-0.4 \%$ | $-0.7 \%$ |

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

## Staffing Agency Dollars

In 2015, 40 percent of Nebraska healthcare organizations reported using temporary staffing agencies to fill their vacancy gaps, which is down from 42 percent in 2014. Three-fourths of these were critical access hospitals. Overall, healthcare organizations spent more than $\$ 14$ million staffing temporary employees, which is less than half of the $\$ 36$ million spent in 2014. The average spent per hospital decreased by about half from $\$ 1.3$ million in 2014 to $\$ 685,300$ in 2015 . In addition, the average spent by critical access hospitals increased from \$192,148 to \$393,630.

## WORKFORCE DEMAND

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, total U.S. employment is expected to increase by 9.8 million jobs from 2014 to 2024. This is down by almost 5.8 million jobs from the 2012 to 2022 estimate. Occupations in healthcare are projected to have the fastest growth of all new jobs in the country over the next decade. This equates to 3.8 million new healthcare jobs, which is one-third of the total job growth projected.

Of the 15 occupations projected to have the largest percentage increase, 9 of these occupations are related to the healthcare industry. In fact, healthcare support and practitioner occupations are expected to grow by 2.3 million jobs in the next 10 years.

PROJECTIONS FOR HEALTHCARE 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 | 24,790 | 2,740 | $12.4 \%$ |
| Registered Nurses | 1,030 | 1,150 | 120 | $11.7 \%$ |
| Respiratory Therapists | 2,100 | 270 | $14.8 \%$ |  |

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

PROJECTIONS FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS IN THE U.S., 2014-2024

| United States | Estimated <br> Employment in <br> $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | Projected <br> Employment <br> in 2024 | Projected <br> Number of <br> New Jobs | Percent <br> Change |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diagnostic Medical Sonographers | 60,700 | 76,700 | 16,000 | $26.4 \%$ |
| Licensed Practical and Vocational Nurses | 719,900 | 837,200 | 117,300 | $16.3 \%$ |
| Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists | 33,600 | 37,100 | 3,500 | $10.4 \%$ |
| Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians | 163,400 | 192,400 | 29,000 | $17.7 \%$ |
| Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologists | 164,800 | 187,900 | 23,100 | $14.0 \%$ |
| Nuclear Medicine Technologists | 20,700 | 21,000 | 300 | $1.4 \%$ |
| Nurse Anesthetists | 38,200 | 45,600 | 7,400 | $19.4 \%$ |
| Occupational Therapists | 114,600 | 145,100 | 30,500 | $26.6 \%$ |
| Pharmacists | 297,100 | 306,200 | 9,100 | $3.1 \%$ |
| Physical Therapists | 210,900 | 282,700 | 71,800 | $34.0 \%$ |
| Radiologic Technologists and Technicians | 197,000 | 214,200 | 17,200 | $8.7 \%$ |
| Registered Nurses | $2,751,000$ | $3,190,300$ | 439,300 | $16.0 \%$ |
| Respiratory Therapists | 120,700 | 135,500 | 14,800 | $12.3 \%$ |

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 | $0.7 \%$ | $7.4 \%$ | $21.8 \%$ | $44.3 \%$ | $22.0 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ |
| Licensed Practical and Vocational Nurses | $1.4 \%$ | $18.6 \%$ | $55.4 \%$ | $18.7 \%$ | $4.8 \%$ | $0.6 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ |
| Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists | $0.7 \%$ | $7.4 \%$ | $21.8 \%$ | $44.3 \%$ | $22.0 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ |
| Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians | $1.4 \%$ | $9.5 \%$ | $19.0 \%$ | $17.2 \%$ | $44.1 \%$ | $6.5 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ |
| MedicalandClinicalLaboratoryTechnologists | $1.4 \%$ | $9.5 \%$ | $19.0 \%$ | $17.2 \%$ | $44.1 \%$ | $6.5 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ |
| Nuclear Medicine Technologists | $0.7 \%$ | $7.4 \%$ | $21.8 \%$ | $44.3 \%$ | $22.0 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ |
| Nurse Anesthetists | $0.0 \%$ | $2.3 \%$ | $4.9 \%$ | $4.0 \%$ | $13.6 \%$ | $61.5 \%$ | $13.6 \%$ |
| Occupational Therapists | $0.3 \%$ | $0.4 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $8.0 \%$ | $43.5 \%$ | $41.7 \%$ | $4.6 \%$ |
| Pharmacists | $0.1 \%$ | $0.1 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $36.6 \%$ | $6.1 \%$ | $54.8 \%$ |
| Physical Therapists | $0.2 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ | $5.7 \%$ | $34.6 \%$ | $28.6 \%$ | $28.1 \%$ |
| Radiologic Technologists and Technicians | $0.7 \%$ | $7.4 \%$ | $21.8 \%$ | $44.3 \%$ | $22.0 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ |
| Registered Nurses | $0.2 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $5.4 \%$ | $36.7 \%$ | $46.5 \%$ | $8.2 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ |
| Respiratory Therapists | $0.2 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ | $12.7 \%$ | $57.2 \%$ | $23.4 \%$ | $3.0 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ |

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

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| Box Butte General Hospital | Memorial Community Hospital \& Health System |
| Boys Town National Research Hospital | Memorial Health Care Systems |
| Brown County Hospital | Methodist Health System |
| Butler County Health Care Center | Nebraska Medicine |
| Chadron Community Hospital | Nemaha County Hospital |
| CHI Health | Niobrara Valley Hospital |
| Children's Hospital | Osmond General Hospital |
| Columbus Community Hospital | Pawnee County Memorial Hospital |
| Community Hospital | Pender Community Hospital |
| Community Memorial Hospital | Perkins County Health Services |
| Dundy County Hospital | Phelps Memorial Health Center |
| Faith Regional Health Services | Providence Medical Center |
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