

# Arizona's Top 50 Fastest-Growing Occupations

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*(Post-Secondary Training or Associate's Degree) These are the occupations requiring post-secondary training or an associate's degree that are projected to grow the fastest during the 2008-2018 time period. This does not mean these are the occupations with the most openings. Prepared by Mesa Community College Career & Re-Entry Services using [www.acinet.org](http://www.acinet.org) - America's Career InfoNet.*

#	Occupation	Employment		Percent Change *
		2008	2018	
1	Electrical and electronics repairers	180	240	37%
2	Radiation therapists	610	820	35%
3	Dental hygienists	2,690	3570	32%
4	Surgical technologists	1,560	2,050	31%
5	Cardiovascular technologists and technicians	980	1,270	29%
6	Physical therapist technicians	880	1,110	26%
7	Respiratory therapists	2,440	3,040	25%
8	Registered nurses	40,510	50,010	24%
9	Medical equipment repairers	810	1,000	23%
10	Veterinary technologists and technicians	2,030	2,500	23%
11	Occupational therapist assistants	210	260	23%
12	Gaming dealers	2,830	3,400	20%
13	Fitness trainers and aerobics instructors	6,140	7,390	20%
14	Emergency medical technicians and paramedics	3,770	4,500	19%
15	Diagnostic medical sonographers	880	1,050	19%
16	Medical and clinical laboratory technicians	2,600	3,080	18%
17	Nuclear medicine technologists	420	500	18%
18	Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses	10,630	12,490	18%
19	Radiologic technologists and technicians	5,010	5,880	18%
20	Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	19,400	22,750	17%
21	Electronics home entertainment installers and repairers	1,100	1,290	17%
22	Paralegals and legal assistants	5,320	6,220	17%
23	Medical records and health information technicians	4,680	5,460	17%
24	Industrial engineering technicians	1,340	1,540	15%
25	Skin care specialists	1,670	1,910	14%

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26	Commercial pilots	1,060	1,210	14%
27	Medical transcriptionists	2,630	2,930	12%
28	Civil engineering technicians	2,020	2,250	12%
29	Psychiatric technicians	1,130	1,260	12%
30	Geological and petroleum technicians	110	130	11%
31	Travel agents	2,550	2,840	11%
32	Court reporters	290	320	11%
33	Dietetic technicians	540	590	10%
34	Environmental engineering technicians	450	490	9%
35	Legal secretaries	4,650	4,970	7%
36	Environmental science and protection technicians, including health	240	250	7%
37	Funeral directors	270	290	6%
38	Audio and video equipment technicians	910	960	6%
39	Electro-mechanical technicians	310	320	5%
40	Massage therapists	3,810	3,990	5%
41	Real estate sales agents	8,290	8,670	5%
42	Electrical and electronics repairers, commercial and industrial equipment	1,950	2,030	4%
43	Library technicians	1,940	1,990	4%
44	Jewelers and precious stone and metal workers	1,350	1,380	2%
45	Automotive service technicians and mechanics	15,960	16,280	2%
46	Electrical and electronic engineering technicians	5,320	5,410	2%
47	Chemical technicians	1,050	1,060	1%
48	Computer support specialists	12,830	12,960	1%
49	Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists	9,870	9,940	11%
50	Insurance sales agents	8,120	8,150	0%

State Data Source: America's Career InfoNet, Arizona Employment Projections.

\* Percent Change is the expected job growth for these occupations.

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