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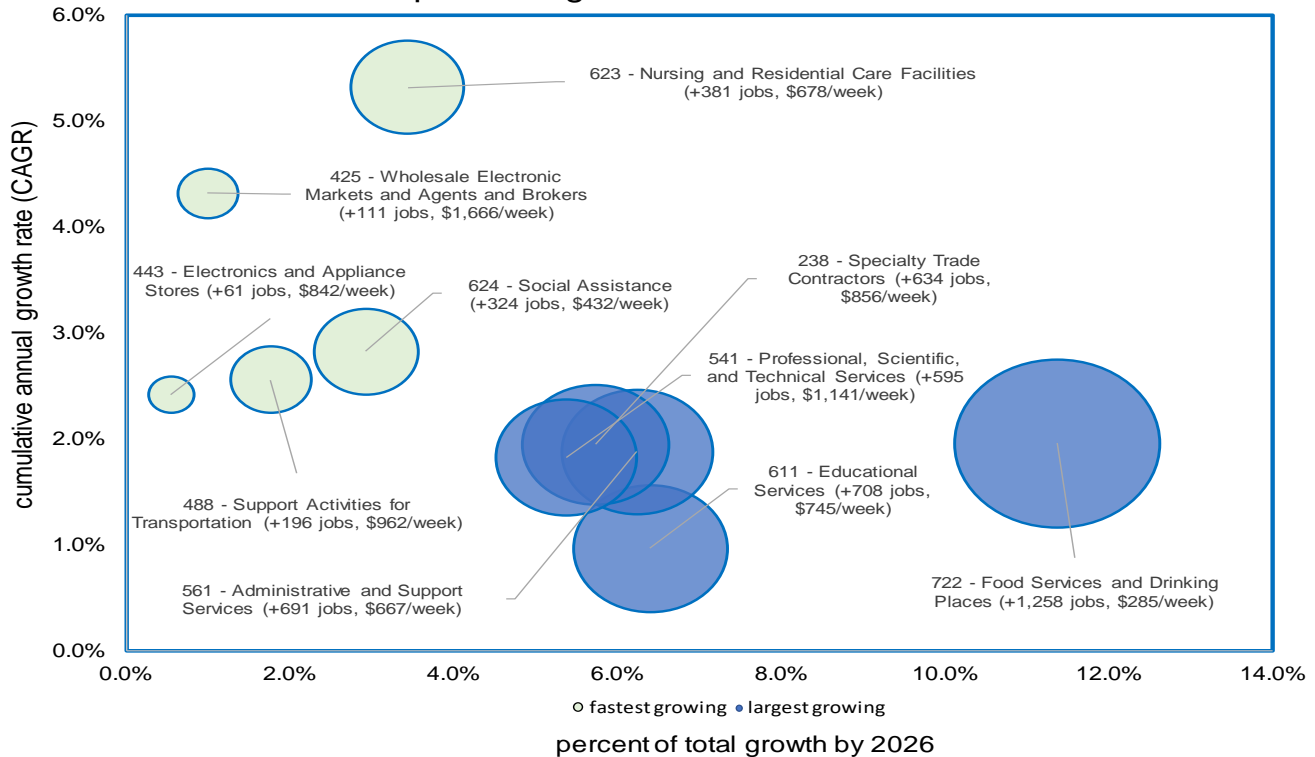


Non-Metro Area Top Growing Industries & Occupations  
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## Job Growth Concentrated in Occupations and Industries with Low Wages and Low Educational Requirements

2016-2026 Top Growing Industries in Nevada Non-Metro Areas



- The *Research & Analysis Bureau* creates industry and occupational projections for both short-term (two years) and long-term (ten years) periods. Short-term projections are produced annually for the State, three metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs), and the Nevada non-metropolitan area. Long-term projections are produced every two years for the same areas.
- With the recent release of the Statewide 2016-2026 long-term industry and occupational sub-state area projections, we analyze Nevada's top growing occupations and industries at the three-digit NAICS level along with their corresponding average hourly wage<sup>1</sup>(occupation) and average weekly (industry) wage<sup>2</sup> in the Nevada non-metropolitan area. The counties in the non-metropolitan area include: Churchill, Elko, Esmeralda, Eureka, Douglas, Humboldt, Lander, Lincoln, Lyon, Mineral, Pershing, Nye, and White Pine.
- Industries with the largest projected nominal job growth over the ten-year period consist of food services/drinking places (+1,258 jobs, \$422/week), educational services (+708, \$804/week), administrative and support services (+691, \$884/week), specialty trade contractors (+634, \$1,030/week), and professional/scientific/technical services (+595, \$1,431/week).

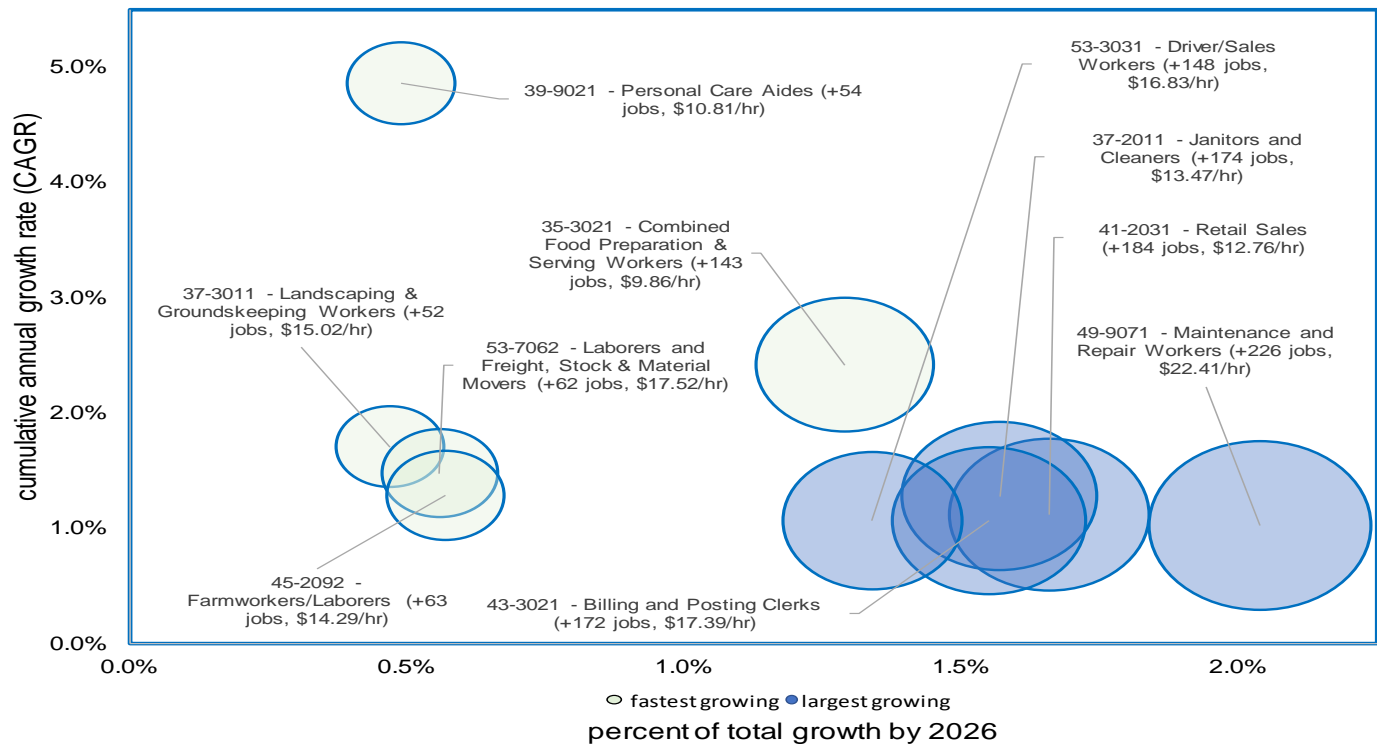
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- Industries with the fastest cumulative annual growth rates consist of nursing/residential care facilities (5.32%, \$1,295/week), wholesale electronic markets/agents/brokers (4.32%, \$724/week), social assistance (2.83%, \$980/week), support activities for transportation (2.56%, \$728/week), electronics/appliance stores (2.42%, \$713/week).
- Of all the top growing industries in the non-metro areas, only nursing/residential care facilities, professional/scientific/technical services, and specialty trade contractors pay above the Statewide average weekly wage of \$992. However, growth in these industries account for ten percent of all job growth to be added in the non-metropolitan area by 2026.
- The non-metropolitan area jobs are projected to increase by 11.1 percent or 11,067 jobs. Continued on next page period while Statewide employment is expected to increase by 19.9 percent or 268,463 jobs. Collectively, employment across all industries in the non-metropolitan area accounts for only four percent of the total job growth Statewide.
- Although we expect Nevada's long-term employment to continue to expand, especially in its larger metropolitan areas, national urbanization trends indicate that our rural/non-metropolitan area are likely to experience slower growth rates.

2016-2026 Top Growing Occupations in Nevada Non-Metro Areas



- Occupations with the largest projected nominal job growth over the ten-year period consist of maintenance and repair workers/general (+226), retail sales (+184), janitors/cleaners (+174), billing and posting clerks (+172), driver/sales workers (+148). In total, these occupations account for 904 jobs or eight percent of all occupations to be added in the non-metropolitan area by 2026.

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- Occupations with the fastest cumulative annual growth rates (with a growth of at least 50 workers or more) consist of personal care aides (4.86%), food prep/serving (2.42%), landscape/grounds workers (1.71%), laborers (1.48%), and farm workers (1.29%).
- Of the top occupations with the fastest and largest projected growth, all earn below the non-metro area average wage of \$22.81 and all but maintenance and repair workers earn below the Statewide average wage of \$22.20 per hour.
- Although most of the largest and fastest growing occupations pay below the statewide average wage, most do not require any education except for maintenance, driver sales, and billing workers which all require a minimum of a high school degree.

<sup>1</sup>Average weekly wages are from the first quarter of 2019 from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages program.

<sup>2</sup>Average hourly wages are from the May 2018 Occupational Employment Statistics Survey.

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