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		Employment	% Growth	Hourly Wage	2023 Net New Jobs	Total Job Openings			
31-1011	Home Health Aides	911	31%	\$10.22	282	939	High School Diploma	MED	
29-1071	Physician Assistants	150	29%	\$48.70	43	93	Master's degree	MED	
29-1171	Nurse Practitioners	240	28%	\$47.32	66	139	Master's degree	MED	
39-9021	Personal Care Aides	3,701	27%	\$9.17	990	4,225	High School Diploma	SERV	
31-2022	Physical Therapist Aides	104	26%	\$11.82	27	103	High School Diploma	MED	
31-2021	Physical Therapist Assistants	163	25%	\$29.40	41	160	Associate's degree	MED	
25-1071	Health Specialties Teachers, Postsecondary	290	25%	\$36.77	72	206	Doctoral/Prof Degree	ED	
15-2031	Operations Research Analysts	205	24%	\$34.29	50	124	Bachelor's degree	BIZ	
49-2095	Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Powerhouse, Substation, and Relay	82	24%	\$33.85	20	64	Postsecondary Cert.	MECH	
31-9092	Medical Assistants	1,126	24%	\$15.09	271	994	Postsecondary Cert.	MED	
15-1122	Information Security Analysts	193	24%	\$49.94	46	125	Bachelor's degree	COMP	
25-1072	Nursing Instructors and Teachers, Postsecondary	60	23%	\$34.27	14	42	Doctoral/Prof Degree	ED	
31-2011	Occupational Therapy Assistants	86	23%	\$36.03	20	84	Associate's degree	MED	
31-9097	Phlebotomists	153	23%	\$15.77	35	129	Postsecondary Cert.	MED	
29-2032	Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	84	23%	\$33.63	19	44	Associate's degree	MED	
31-9011	Massage Therapists	488	22%	\$24.49	109	408	Postsecondary Cert.	MED	
29-1123	Physical Therapists	390	22%	\$40.27	87	181	Doctoral/Prof Degree	MED	
15-1132	Software Developers, Applications	2,230	22%	\$48.25	497	1,345	Bachelor's degree	COMP	
25-1011	Business Teachers, Postsecondary	109	22%	\$57.31	24	74	Doctoral/Prof Degree	ED	
29-1126	Respiratory Therapists	202	22%	\$26.80	44	101	Associate's degree	MED	
43-6013	Medical Secretaries	1,888	22%	\$16.06	410	1,614	High School Diploma	MED	
29-9091	Athletic Trainers	61	21%	\$26.53	13	31	Bachelor's degree	MED	
39-2021	Nonfarm Animal Caretakers	655	21%	\$11.02	138	722	High School Diploma	SERV	
21-1014	Mental Health Counselors	347	21%	\$21.22	73	284	Master's degree	SOCI	
21-1023	Mental Health and Substance Abuse Social Workers	226	21%	\$18.03	47	181	Master's degree	SOCI	
11-9111	Medical and Health Services Managers	554	21%	\$45.80	115	366	Bachelor's degree	MED	
11-3031	Financial Managers	921	21%	\$62.63	191	587	Bachelor's degree	FIN	
29-1129	Therapists, All Other	58	21%	\$23.77	12	31	Bachelor's degree	MED	
13-1161	Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists	882	21%	\$35.44	182	687	Bachelor's degree	MKTG	
29-2053	Psychiatric Technicians	132	20%	\$14.67	27	87	Postsecondary Cert.	MED	
21-1011	Substance Abuse and Behavioral Disorder Counselors	281	20%	\$21.63	57	228	Bachelor's degree	SOCI	
29-2099	Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other	188	20%	\$19.27	38	106	Postsecondary Cert.	MED	
29-1122	Occupational Therapists	244	20%	\$33.07	49	119	Master's degree	MED	
21-1093	Social and Human Service Assistants	664	20%	\$15.55	133	594	High School Diploma	SOCI	
31-1013	Psychiatric Aides	140	20%	\$12.89	28	122	High School Diploma	MED	
47-4041	Hazardous Materials Removal Workers	130	20%	\$18.47	26	116	High School Diploma	CONS	
25-1066	Psychology Teachers, Postsecondary	50	20%	\$43.80	10	32	Doctoral/Prof Degree	ED	
29-2021	Dental Hygienists	553	20%	\$37.23	110	300	Associate's degree	MED	
31-9091	Dental Assistants	1,006	20%	\$18.04	200	845	Postsecondary Cert.	MED	
53-7081	Refuse and Recyclable Material Collectors	503	20%	\$17.31	100	452	Less than High School	LOGI	
29-2056	Veterinary Technologists and Technicians	515	20%	\$13.97	102	334	Associate's degree	MED	
31-9096	Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory Animal Caretakers	303	20%	\$11.43	60	333	High School Diploma	MED	
29-2057	Ophthalmic Medical Technicians	134	19%	\$15.91	26	87	Postsecondary Cert.	MED	
21-1094	Community Health Workers	83	19%	\$19.51	16	74	High School Diploma	SOCI	
29-1041	Optometrists	125	19%	\$54.50	24	46	Doctoral/Prof Degree	MED	
21-1022	Healthcare Social Workers	198	19%	\$25.17	38	155	Master's degree	SOCI	

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11-9151	Social and Community Service Managers	188	19%		\$31.62	36	130	Bachelor's degree	SOCI
47-3015	Helpers--Pipelayers, Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	294	19%		\$13.72	56	297	High School Diploma	CONS
25-1032	Engineering Teachers, Postsecondary	74	19%		\$58.34	14	47	Doctoral/Prof Degree	ED
25-1042	Biological Science Teachers, Postsecondary	74	19%		\$46.96	14	47	Doctoral/Prof Degree	ED
21-1019	Counselors, All Other	69	19%		\$21.07	13	54	Master's degree	SOCI
29-1151	Nurse Anesthetists	85	19%		\$71.11	16	40	Master's degree	MED
25-3021	Self-Enrichment Education Teachers	857	19%		\$19.19	161	705	High School Diploma	ED
29-1021	Dentists, General	378	19%		\$66.82	71	129	Doctoral/Prof Degree	MED
29-1131	Veterinarians	299	19%		\$64.36	56	118	Doctoral/Prof Degree	MED
29-1062	Family and General Practitioners	171	19%		\$95.98	32	58	Doctoral/Prof Degree	MED
47-4071	Septic Tank Servicers and Sewer Pipe Cleaners	70	19%		\$15.88	13	64	High School Diploma	CONS
39-9041	Residential Advisors	243	19%		\$14.05	45	280	High School Diploma	SERV
23-2011	Paralegals and Legal Assistants	352	18%		\$22.31	65	271	Associate's degree	LEGA
29-1063	Internists, General	71	18%		\$67.77	13	24	Doctoral/Prof Degree	MED
29-2071	Medical Records and Health Information Technicians	306	18%		\$16.88	56	162	Postsecondary Cert.	MED
51-9081	Dental Laboratory Technicians	66	18%		\$18.09	12	55	High School Diploma	PROD
29-1141	Registered Nurses	3,659	18%		\$31.43	661	1,753	Bachelor's degree	MED
29-1061	Anesthesiologists	61	18%		\$117.00	11	21	Doctoral/Prof Degree	MED
21-1091	Health Educators	61	18%		\$26.08	11	54	Bachelor's degree	SOCI
47-2152	Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	1,960	18%		\$22.82	353	1,532	High School Diploma	CONS
29-2081	Opticians, Dispensing	234	18%		\$15.98	42	138	High School Diploma	MED
49-9021	Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	1,176	18%		\$19.77	211	863	Postsecondary Cert.	MECH
29-2012	Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians	196	18%		\$22.31	35	104	Associate's degree	MED
21-1099	Community and Social Service Specialists, All Other	84	18%		\$16.84	15	73	Bachelor's degree	SOCI

Source: Chmura Economics