Projected Occupational Shortages 2017-2020: Colorado

Top 5 Occupations Most at Risk of Labor Shortages, 2017-2020

1. Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing
2. Health Diagnosing and Treating Practitioners
3. Advertising, Marketing, PR, and Sales Managers
4. Motor Vehicle Operators
5. Computer Occupations

Relative Size of Occupational Shortage

Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing are projected to be the most at risk for labor shortages in Colorado. Computer Occupations are projected to experience about one fifth of the shortage of Health Diagnosing and Treating Practitioners.

Percentage of Projected Job Postings (Demand)

Health Diagnosing and Treating Practitioners accounts for 14 percent of Colorado’s projected job openings.

Percentage of 50+ in Each Occupation Currently

Health Diagnosing and Treating Practitioners currently has the highest percentage of 50+ workers among shortage occupations in Colorado (4.3%).

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Real Possibilities

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