Projected Occupational Shortages 2017-2020: Iowa

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

1. Computer Occupations
2. Art and Design Workers
3. Health Technologists and Technicians
4. Engineers
5. Financial Specialists

Relative Size of Occupational Shortage

Job shortage index is a measure of demand divided by supply, irrespective of projected number of job openings.

Computer Occupations is projected to be the most at risk for labor shortages in Iowa. Financial Specialists are expected to experience about 29 percent of the shortage of Computer Occupations.

Percentage of Projected Job Postings (Demand)

Computer Occupations accounts for 6 percent of Iowa’s projected job openings.

Percentage of 50+ in Each Occupation Currently

Health Technologists and Technicians and Financial Specialist currently have the highest percentages of 50+ workers among shortage occupations in Iowa (1.9% for each).