

Occupational Role	2012 Jobs	2017 Jobs	2012-2022 Projected Growth #	Total % of Jobs in Industry	Median Hourly Earnings	Education Required
Manufacturing						
Team Assemblers	2,023	2,386	374	13.3%	\$11.99	High school diploma or equivalent
Mechanical Engineers	765	884	103	4.9%	\$43.88	Bachelor's degree
Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	649	758	52	4.3%	\$13.34	High school diploma or equivalent
Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators, Metal and Plastic	566	631	94	3.5%	\$14.04	High school diploma or equivalent
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	570	624	63	3.5%	\$25.86	High school diploma or equivalent
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	522	577	49	3.2%	\$15.39	High school diploma or equivalent
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products	466	581	130	3.2%	\$25.48	High school diploma or equivalent
Molding, Coremaking, and Casting Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	374	442	24	2.5%	\$13.14	High school diploma or equivalent
Customer Service Representatives	335	379	35	2.1%	\$14.79	High school diploma or equivalent
Helpers- Production Workers	340	358	11	2.0%	\$10.80	No formal educational credential
Healthcare						
Registered Nurses	1,276	1,287	76	11.9%	\$29.29	Bachelor's degree
Nursing Assistants	821	913	180	8.3%	\$13.09	Postsecondary nondegree award
Personal Care Aides	364	525	263	4.6%	\$10.28	No formal educational credential
Home Health Aides	280	526	424	4.4%	\$9.87	No formal educational credential
Receptionists and Information Clerks	295	302	15	2.8%	\$12.33	High school diploma or equivalent
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	195	221	58	2.0%	\$21.99	Postsecondary nondegree award
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	199	206	18	1.9%	\$8.97	No formal educational credential
Office Clerks, General	193	205	20	1.9%	\$14.49	High school diploma or equivalent
Medical and Health Services Managers	159	161	7	1.5%	\$41.48	Bachelor's degree
Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria	119	133	27	1.2%	\$12.33	No formal educational credential
Hospitality						
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	1,901	2,227	387	20.3%	\$9.06	No formal educational credential
Waiters and Waitresses	1,715	1,954	335	17.6%	\$8.99	No formal educational credential
Cooks, Restaurant	971	1,179	317	10.5%	\$10.29	No formal educational credential
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	427	492	87	4.5%	\$14.05	High school diploma or equivalent
Dishwashers	354	398	48	3.6%	\$8.96	No formal educational credential
Dining Room and Cafeteria Attendants and Bartender Helpers	277	330	71	3.0%	\$9.00	No formal educational credential
Hotel, Motel, and Resort Desk Clerks	242	321	109	2.9%	\$9.49	High school diploma or equivalent
Bartenders	278	303	41	2.7%	\$9.30	No formal educational credential
Food Preparation Workers	247	279	48	2.5%	\$10.85	No formal educational credential
Hosts and Hostesses, Restaurant, Lounge, and Coffee Shop	237	277	59	2.5%	\$9.01	No formal educational credential

The agriculture industry, including farming and food production, accounts for over 5,700 jobs and \$226 Million Gross Regional Product in Berrien, Cass, and Van Buren Counties. Many of the high-demand occupations within agriculture overlap other industries.

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