Region 1 2012-2022 Occupational Projections Summary

Region 1's occupational employment is expected to increase by 10.2% from 2012 to 2022 (or 1.02% annually). Job growth will vary across major occupational groups depending on the industry. Service-providing occupations are generally expected to outperform goods-producing occupations. This is reflected in both employment change and growth rates.

Major occupational groups expected to grow at or faster than the regional annual average are business and financial (1.27%); computer and mathematical (2.3%); community and social service (1.71%); legal (1.03%); arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media (1.38%); healthcare practitioner (1.7%); healthcare support (1.47%); food prep and serving (1.09%); building/grounds cleaning and maintenance (1.4%); personal care (2.05%); construction (2.21%); installation, maintenance, and repair (1.21%); and transportation and material moving (1.1%). Growing less than the regional average include management (-0.09%); architecture and engineering (.7%); life, physical, and social science (0.83%); education (0.99%); protective service (0.86%); sales (0.83%); office and administrative (0.72%); farming, fishing, and forestry (0.12%); and production (0.71%) major occupational groups. A detailed look of 2012-2022 major occupational trends follows.

Region 1's Occupations with the Largest Projected Job Growth, 2012-2022

Region 1's top eleven occupations expected to have the largest employment growth for 2012-2022 will account for 2,980 (or 23%) of the projected 12,730 new jobs. The major occupational groups of healthcare; food prep and serving; office and administrative, construction, and transportation and material moving will account for 2,240 (or 75%) of the 2,980 new jobs as shown below.



Region 1's Occupations with the Largest Projected Job Decline, 2012-2022

Region 1 expects three occupations to account for an employment decline of 720 jobs for 2012-2022. The farmers, ranchers, and other agricultural managers occupation will account for 640 (or 91%) of the 720 jobs as shown below.

Occupation	Number of Jobs
Farmers, Ranchers, and Other Agricultural Managers	-640
Postal Service Mail Carriers	-65
Managers, All Other	-15

Region 1's Fast Growing Occupations, 2012-2022

Region 1's top ten occupations expected to have the largest percentage of employment growth for 2012-2022 are primarily in the construction, personal care; and business and financial major occupational groups as shown below. In conjunction with strong growth, occupational employment levels are to be reviewed in determining the largest number of job openings.



Region 1's Fast Declining Occupations, 2012-2022

Region 1 expects the postal mail carrier occupation to have the largest percentage of employment decline for 2012-2022 as shown below. Employment costs, competition, technological change and other economic factors may contribute to deteriorating industry employment. While such occupations may be considered a source for employment, careful thought should be given to training time and costs.

	Percent
Occupation	Change
Postal Service Mail Carriers	-2.5
Farmers, Ranchers, and Other Agricultural Managers	-0.89
Managers, All Other	-0.15

Region 1's Occupations with the Most Annual Openings, 2012-2022

Region 1's top ten occupations expected to have the most annual openings for 2012-2022 will account for 980 (or 23%) of the projected 4,255 openings. The major occupational groups of sales; management; food prep and serving; health, and transportation and material moving will account for 860 (or 88%) of the 980 openings as shown below.



Source: Labor Market and Workforce Information Division, Iowa Workforce Development

