



According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, new registered nurses are expected to fill more than a million job openings between 2000 and 2010—a number greater than that for any other occupation that usually requires posthigh school education or 1 year or more of training.

As the chart shows, however, many occupations that commonly require advanced education or training have numerous openings projected. The education level cited for each occupation is the training that workers in the occupation most often have. There are usually many different ways to prepare for an occupation.

Among occupations that usually require at least a bachelor's degree, those expected to have the most openings for new entrants are general and operations manager (767,000), postsecondary teacher (682,000), and elementary school teacher (551,000). General and operations managers usually need a bachelor's or higher degree plus experience, postsecondary teachers a doctoral degree, and elementary school teachers a bachelor's degree.

Carpenter and restaurant cook are projected to top the list for occupations that usually require long-term on-the-job training, offering a combined total of 637,000 openings for workers new to those occupations. Of occupations usually requiring a postsecondary vocational credential, automotive service technician and mechanic is expected to provide the most openings.

The job openings shown on this chart stem from new jobs added to the economy and the need to replace workers who leave an occupation permanently. They do not include openings that will be filled by workers switching from one job to another within an occupation or by workers returning to the occupation.

Job openings for new entrants in occupations that usually require postsecondary education or more than 1 year of training, projected 2000-10

