

# Connecting You to Your Next Career

## Common Career Paths for the Top 5 In-Demand Middle-Skill Occupations

### COASTAL REGION

Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Santa Cruz Counties



Purchasing Agents, *Except Wholesale, Retail, and Farm Products*

**Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (Middle-Skill)**

Light Truck or Delivery Services Drivers

Total Job Openings

Median Annual Wage

390

\$69,185

1,610

\$44,107

1,160

\$34,743



Physical Therapists

**Medical Assistants (Middle-Skill)**

Personal Care Aides

Total Job Openings

Median Annual Wage

440

\$100,190

1,490

\$36,778

5,270

\$24,558



Registered Nurses

**Nursing Assistants (Middle-Skill)**

Home Health Aides

Total Job Openings

Median Annual Wage

3,340

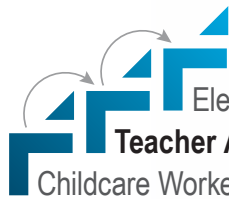
\$108,840

1,390

\$30,887

830

\$25,638



Elementary School Teachers, *Except Special Education*

**Teacher Assistants (Middle-Skill)**

Childcare Workers

Total Job Openings

Median Annual Wage

1,590

\$73,527

1,290

\$31,573

1,120

\$24,747



Nurse Practitioners

**Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (Middle-Skill)**

Personal Care Aides

Total Job Openings

Median Annual Wage

190

\$113,196

1,060

\$54,758

5,270

\$24,558

**Source:** California Employment Development Department, *Projections of Employment 2014-2024*. Total projected job openings are the sum of new and replacement job openings. Occupational Employment Statistics Wage Survey, updated to 1st Q, 2017.

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