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KDOL Short-Term Industry and Occupational Employment Projections

TOPEKA, Kan. - The Kansas Department of Labor has published short-term industry and occupational employment projections for the First Quarter of 2017 to the First Quarter of 2019. Employment is expected to grow by nearly 12,000 jobs by the First Quarter of 2019. This growth is spread across the industry and occupation spectrum. There are employment opportunities for individuals with a wide degree of education and experience.

The Health Care and Social Assistance industry has the largest projected employment growth, with expected growth of more than 3,000 jobs. Transportation and Warehousing is also expected to grow by more than 2,000 jobs.

Accommodation and Food Services; Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services; and Manufacturing are expected to grow by more than 1,000 jobs each.

Along with ten year long term projections and current job vacancy data from the Job Vacancy Survey, these short term employment projections are a key component the Kansas Department of Labor uses in determining high-demand occupations. Policy makers and education and training providers use the high-demand list for a number of purposes to align Kansas workers with the demand for labor from Kansas businesses.

New for this year is an interactive data visualization tool that features detailed information about short term employment projections including breakdown by industry, occupation, and education and training. It is available at klic.dol.ks.gov/gsipub/index.asp?docid=729.
The Kansas Department of Labor assists in the prevention of economic insecurity through unemployment insurance and workers' compensation, by providing a fair and efficient venue to exercise employer and employee rights, and by helping employers promote a safe work environment for their employees. This facilitates compliance with labor laws while enabling advancement of the economic well-being of the citizens of Kansas.

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