



Van Buren County, AR

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Economy Overview

16,414

Population (2018)

Population **decreased by 559** over the last 5 years and is projected to **decrease by 374** over the next 5 years.

4,249

Total Regional Employment

Jobs **decreased by 311** over the last 5 years but are projected to **grow by 225** over the next 5 years.

\$34.4K

Median Household Income (2017)

Median household income is **\$23.2K below** the national median household income of \$57.7K.

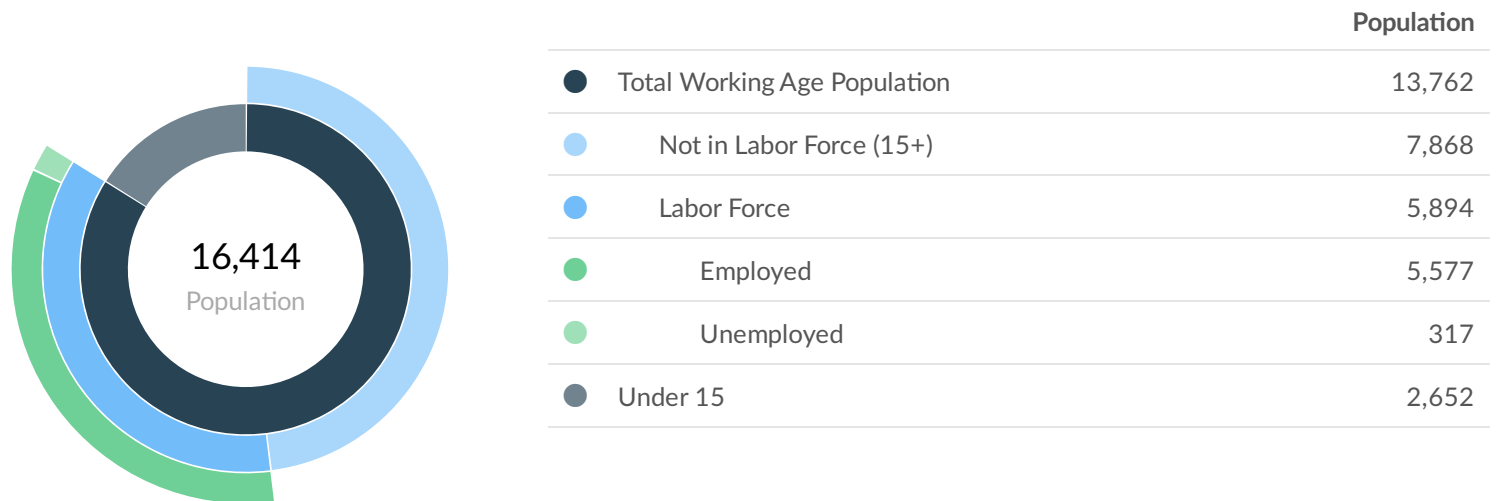
Takeaways

- As of 2018 the region's population **declined by 3.3%** since 2013, falling by 559. Population is expected to **decrease by 2.3%** between 2018 and 2023, losing 374.
- From 2013 to 2018, jobs **declined by 6.8%** in Van Buren County, AR from 4,560 to 4,249. This change **fell short of the national growth rate of 8.2% by 15.0%**. As the number of jobs declined, the **labor force participation rate decreased from 45.5% to 42.8% between 2013 and 2018**.
- Concerning educational attainment, **9.0% of Van Buren County, AR residents possess a Bachelor's Degree** (9.6% below the national average), and **5.6% hold an Associate's Degree** (2.4% below the national average).
- The top three industries in 2018 are Nursing Care Facilities (Skilled Nursing Facilities), Education and Hospitals (Local Government), and General Merchandise Stores, including Warehouse Clubs and Supercenters.

	Population (2018)	Labor Force (2018)	Jobs (2018)	Cost of Living	GRP	Imports	Exports
Region	16,414	5,894	4,249	88.0	\$421.84M	\$697.99M	\$470.11M
Little Rock, AR (in Pulaski county)	14,131	N/A	6,302	95.8	\$654.55M	\$1.43B	\$1.78B

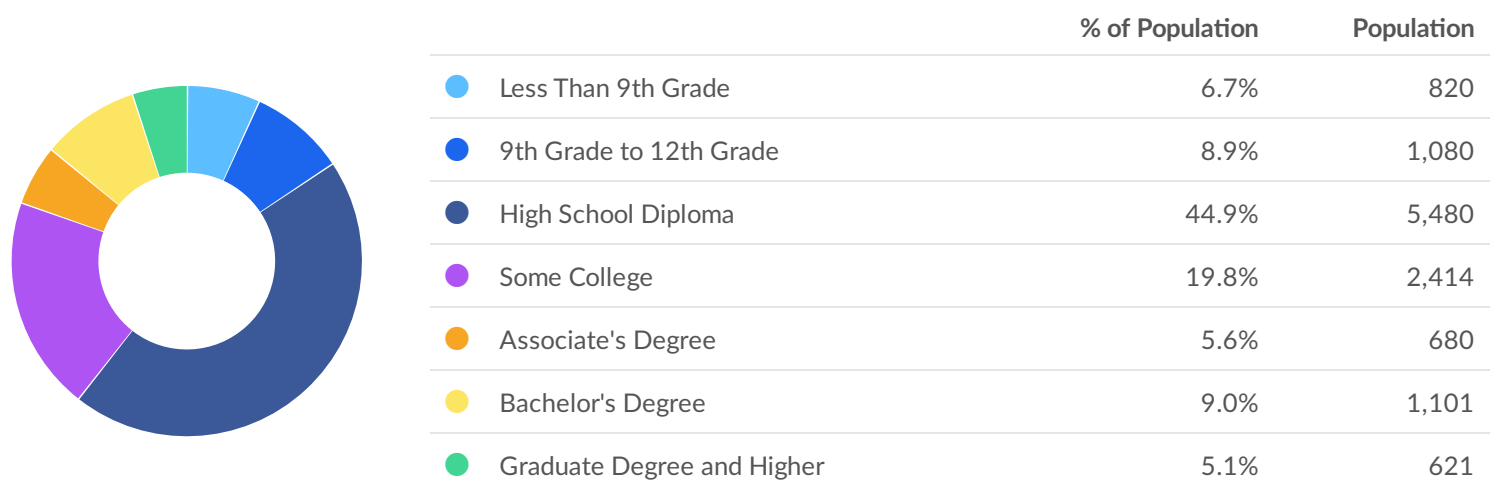
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2018 Labor Force Breakdown



Educational Attainment

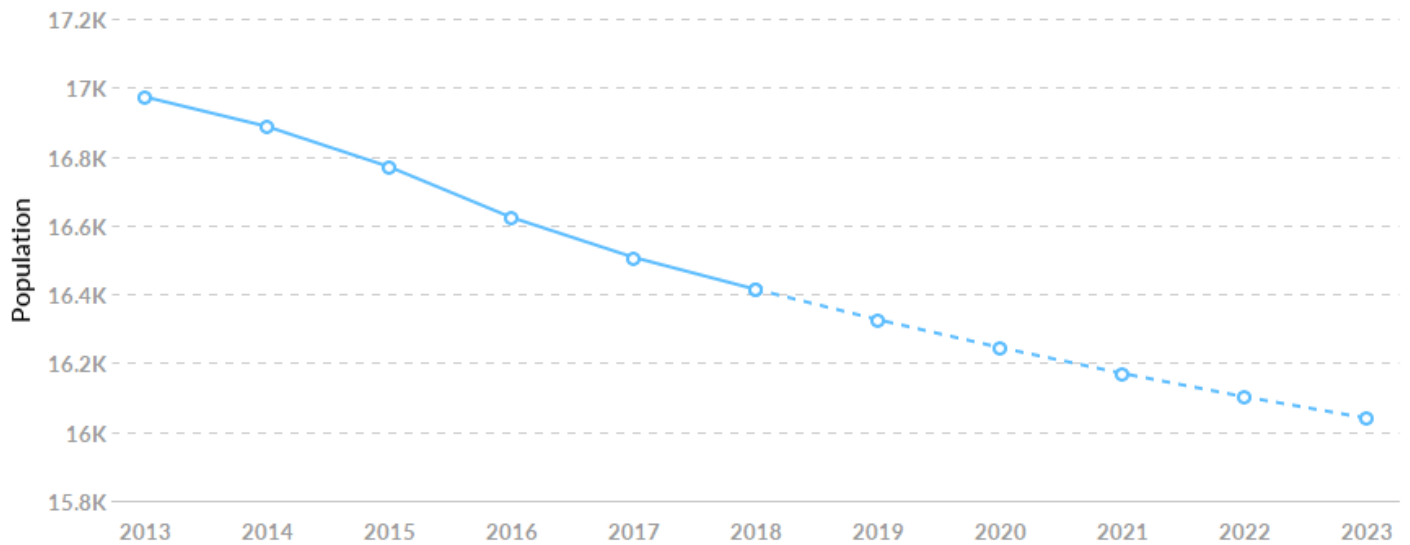
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Historic & Projected Trends

Population Trends

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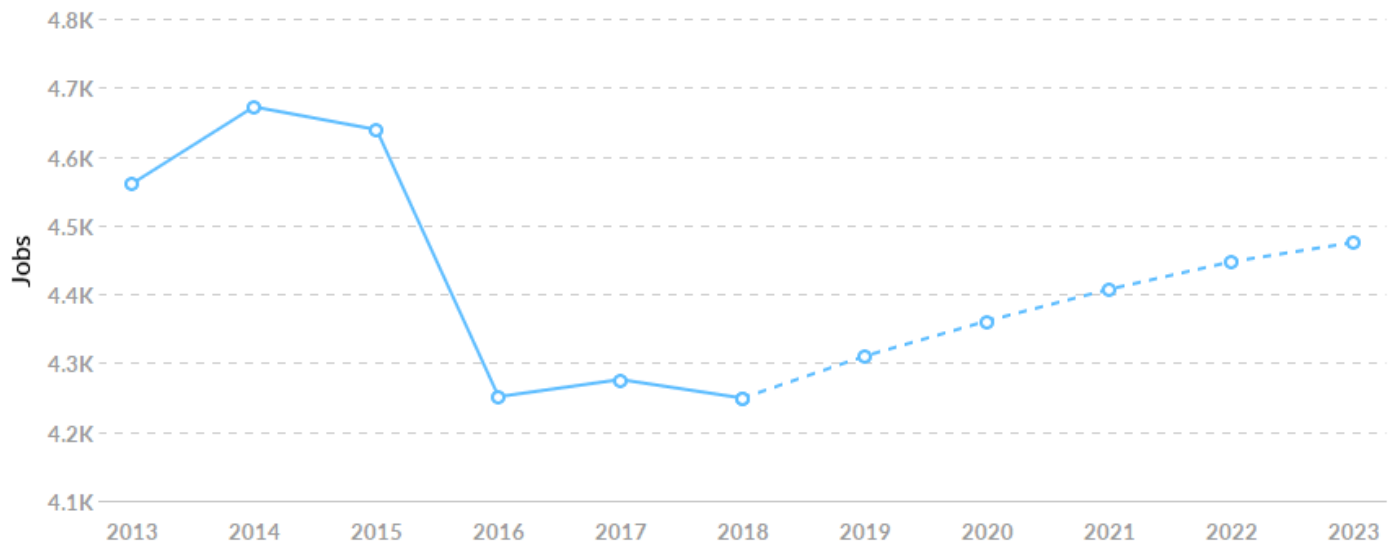


Timeframe	Population
2013	16,973
2014	16,887
2015	16,770
2016	16,623
2017	16,507
2018	16,414
2019	16,326
2020	16,245
2021	16,170
2022	16,102
2023	16,040

Historic & Projected Trends - Cont.

Job Trends

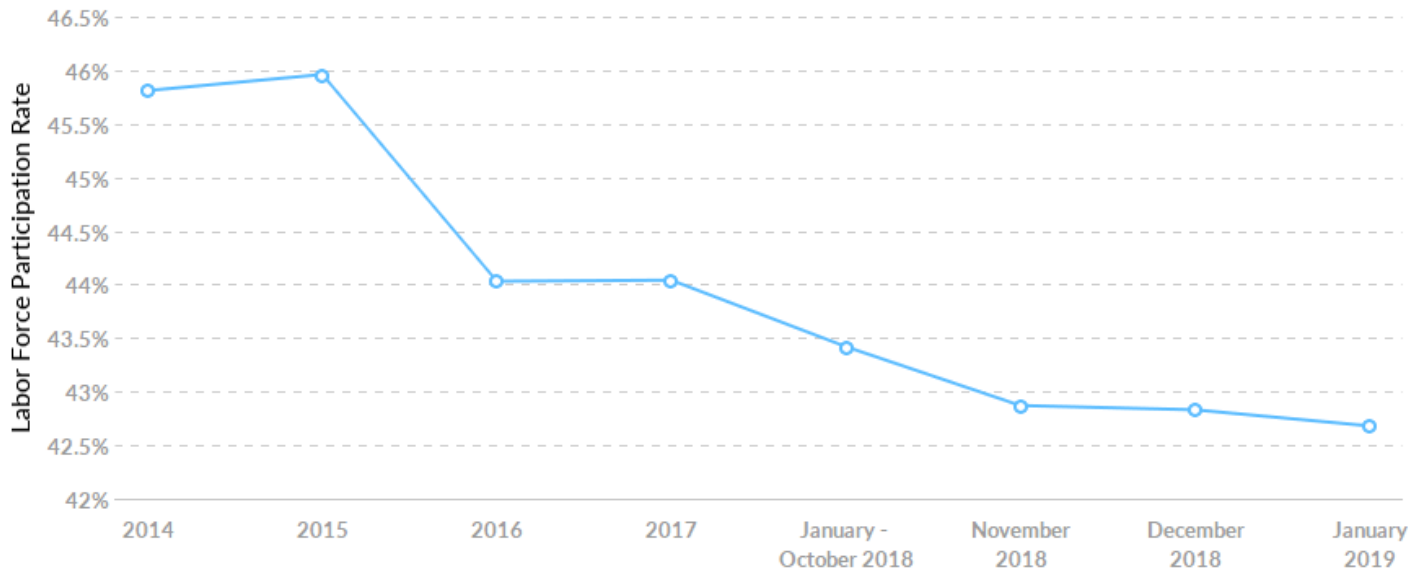
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Timeframe	Jobs
2013	4,560
2014	4,672
2015	4,639
2016	4,251
2017	4,276
2018	4,249
2019	4,310
2020	4,361
2021	4,407
2022	4,447
2023	4,475

Historic & Projected Trends - Cont.

Labor Force Participation Rate Trends

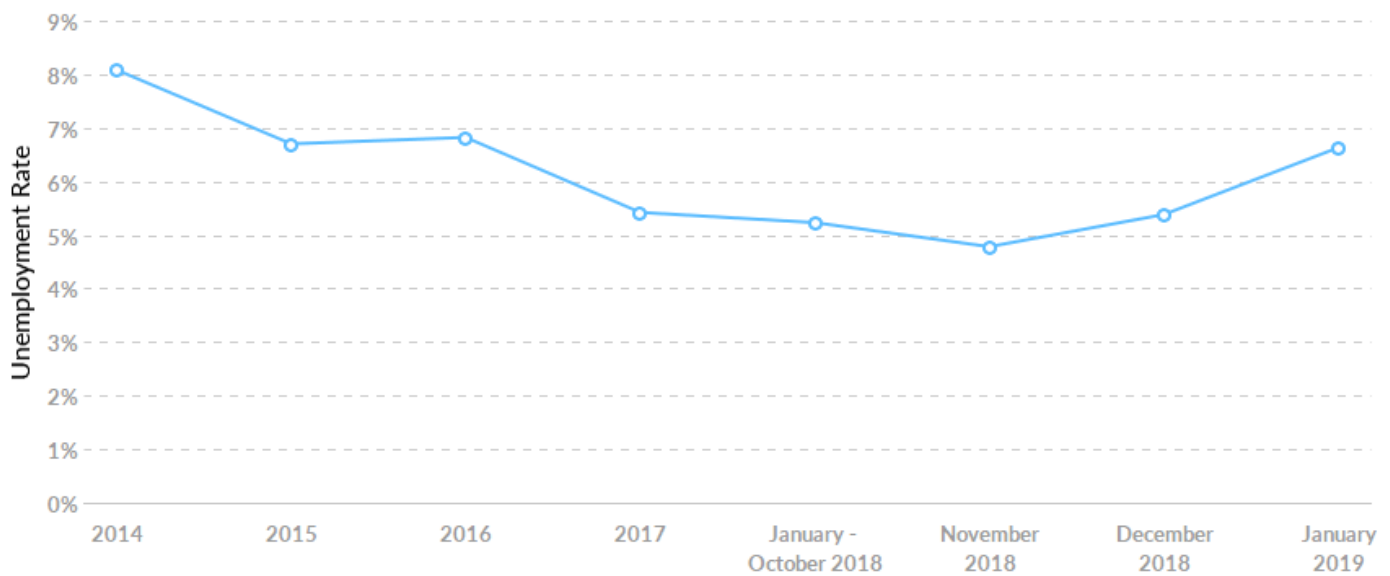


Timeframe	Labor Force Participation Rate
2014	45.81%
2015	45.96%
2016	44.03%
2017	44.04%
January - October 2018	43.42%
November 2018	42.87%
December 2018	42.83%
January 2019	42.68%

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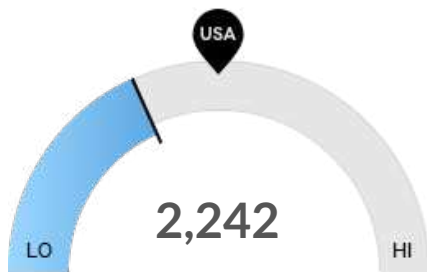
Unemployment Rate Trends

Van Buren County, AR had a January 2019 unemployment rate of 6.63%, **decreasing from 8.08%** 5 years before.



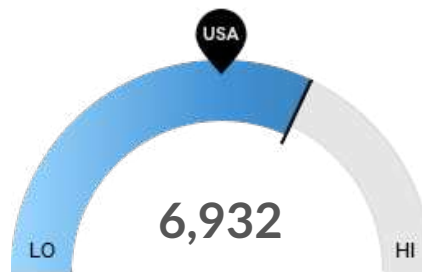
Timeframe	Unemployment Rate
2014	8.08%
2015	6.70%
2016	6.82%
2017	5.42%
January - October 2018	5.23%
November 2018	4.78%
December 2018	5.38%
January 2019	6.63%

Population Characteristics



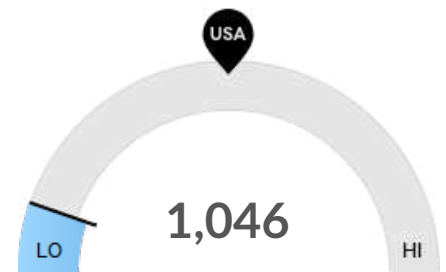
Millennials

Van Buren County, AR has 2,242 millennials (ages 20-34). The national average for an area this size is 3,419.



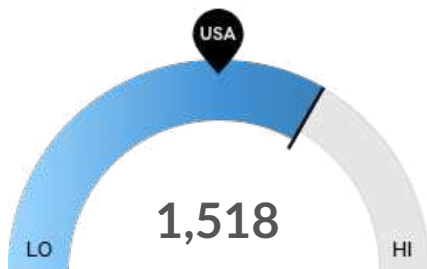
Retiring Soon

Retirement risk is high in Van Buren County, AR. The national average for an area this size is 4,706 people 55 or older, while there are 6,932 here.



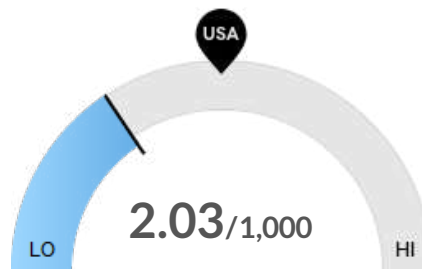
Racial Diversity

Racial diversity is low in Van Buren County, AR. The national average for an area this size is 6,482 racially diverse people, while there are 1,046 here.



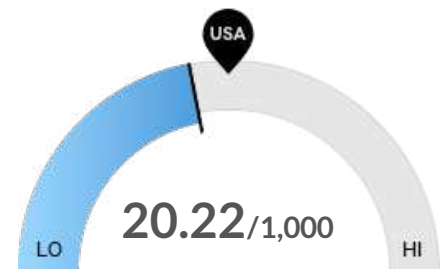
Veterans

Van Buren County, AR has 1,518 veterans. The national average for an area this size is 960.



Violent Crime

Van Buren County, AR has 2.03 violent crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 3.75 per 1,000 people.



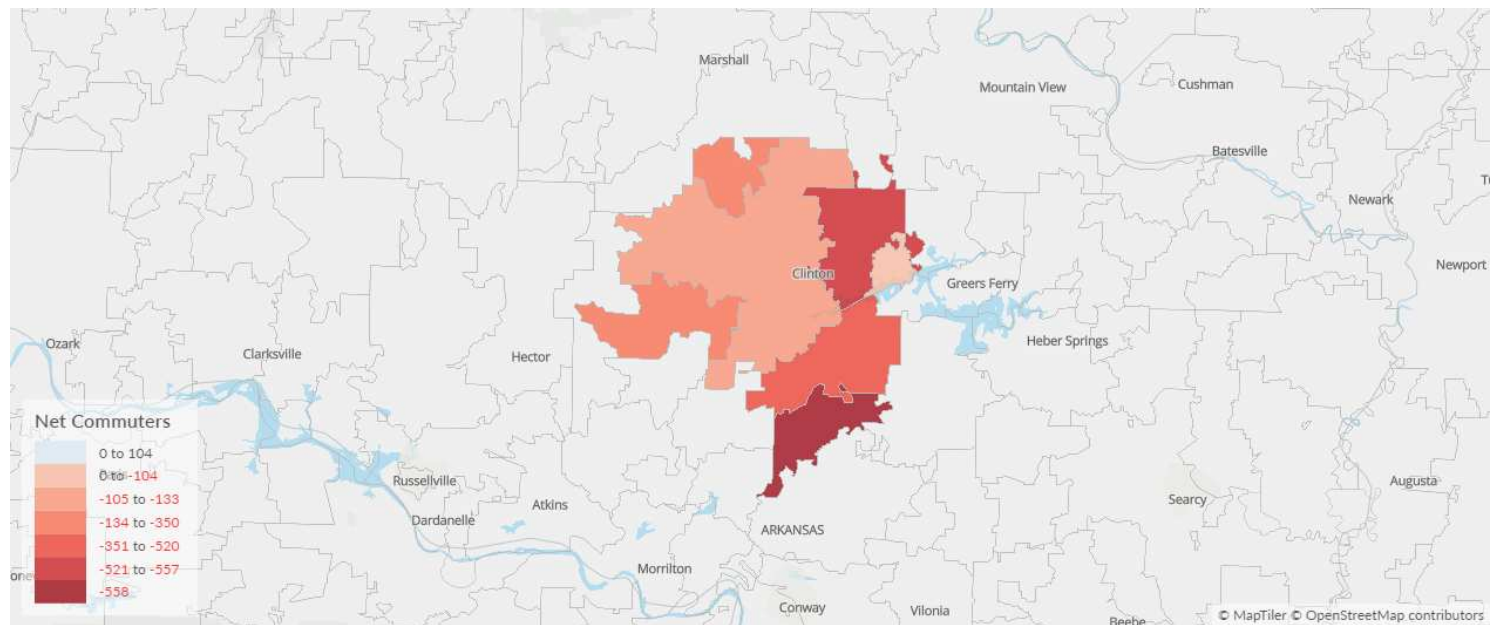
Property Crime

Van Buren County, AR has 20.22 property crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 24.21 per 1,000 people.

Population Characteristics - Cont.

Place of Work vs Place of Residence

Understanding where talent in Van Buren County, AR currently works compared to where talent lives can help you optimize site decisions.



Where Talent Works

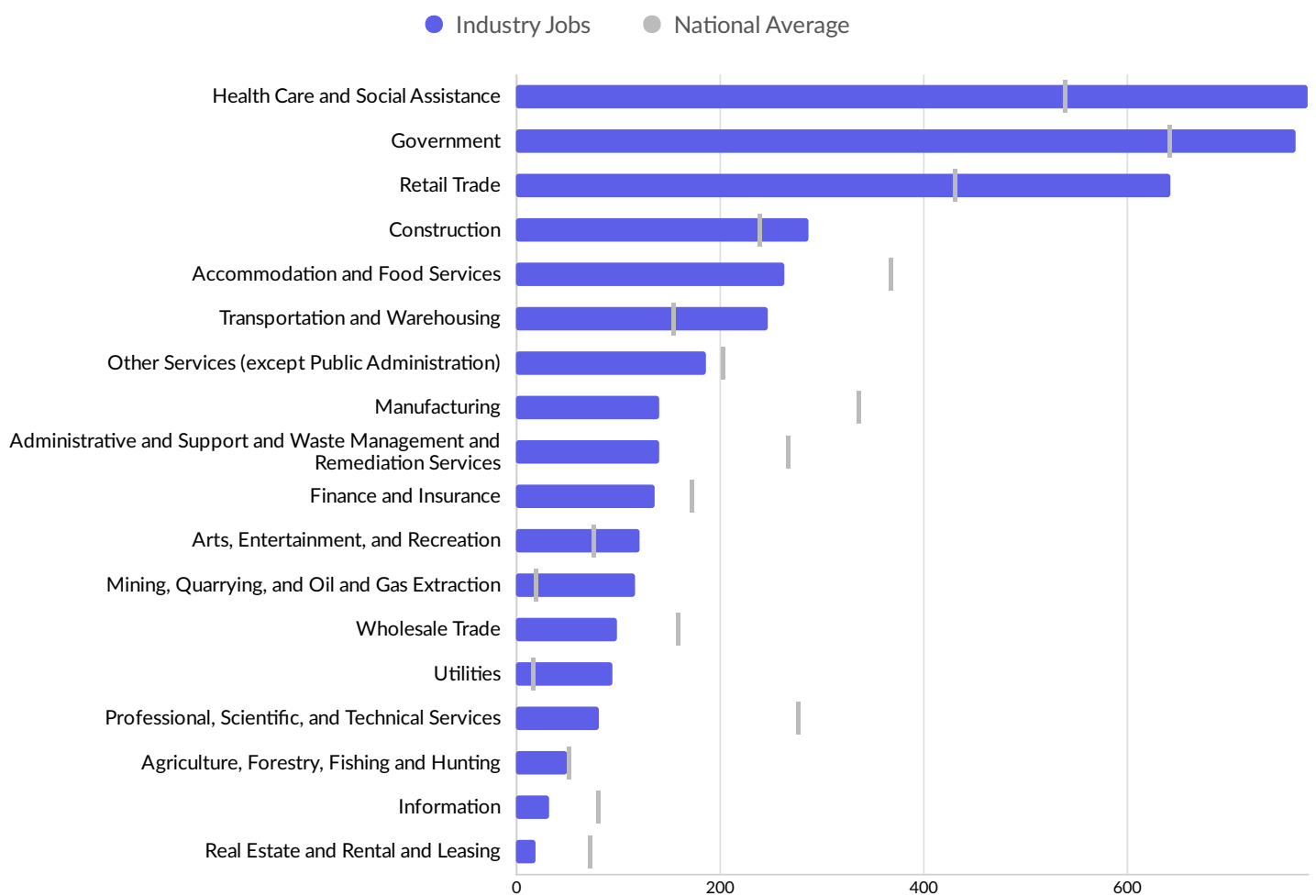
ZIP	Name	2018 Employment
72031	Clinton, AR (in Van Bure...	2,198
72088	Fairfield Bay, AR (in Van...	822
72039	Damascus, AR (in Van B...	466
72153	Shirley, AR (in Van Bure...	342
72013	Bee Branch, AR (in Van ...	317

Where Talent Lives

ZIP	Name	2018 Workers
72031	Clinton, AR (in Van Bure...	2,303
72039	Damascus, AR (in Van B...	1,024
72153	Shirley, AR (in Van Bure...	863
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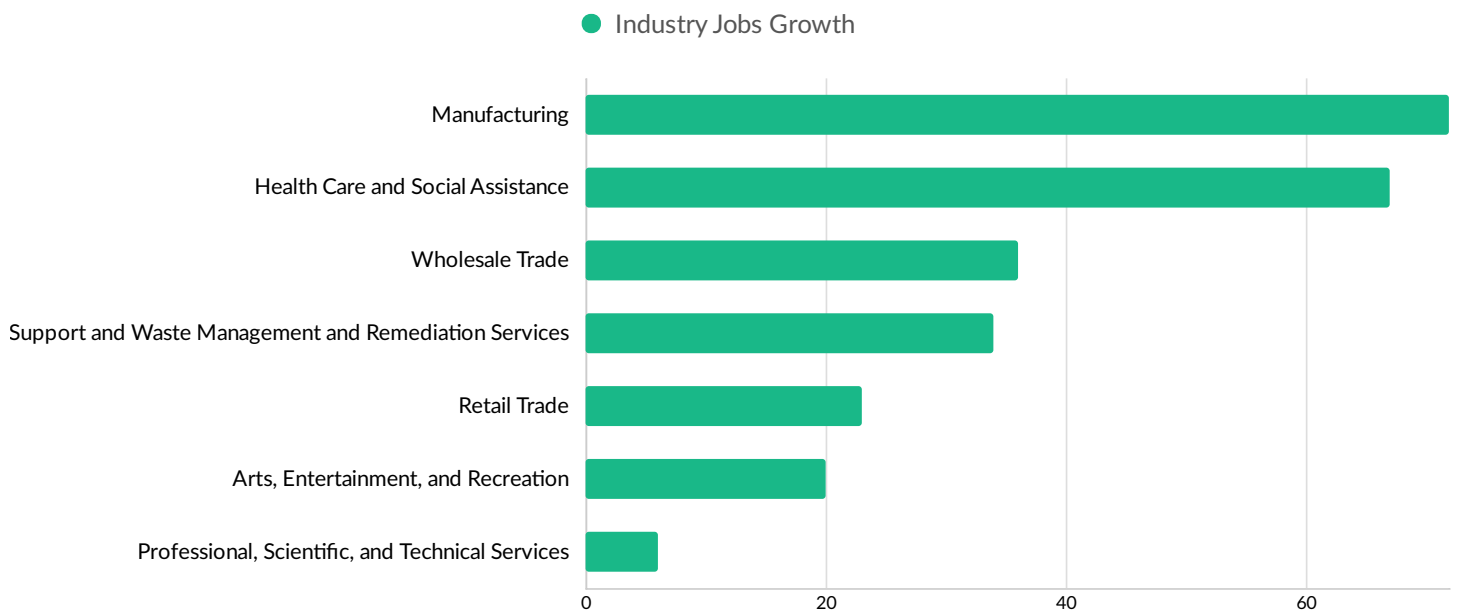
Industry Characteristics

Largest Industries



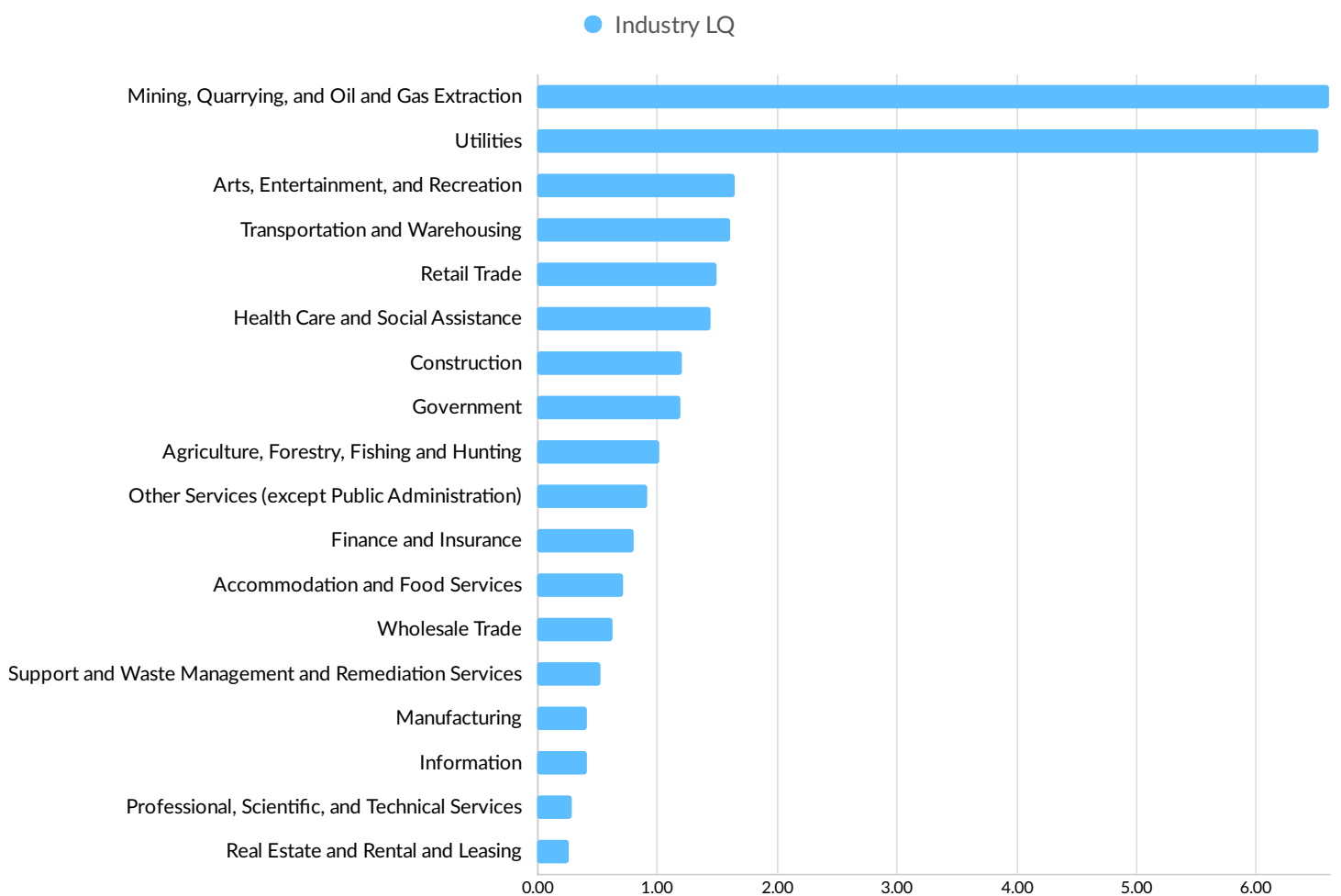
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Top Growing Industries



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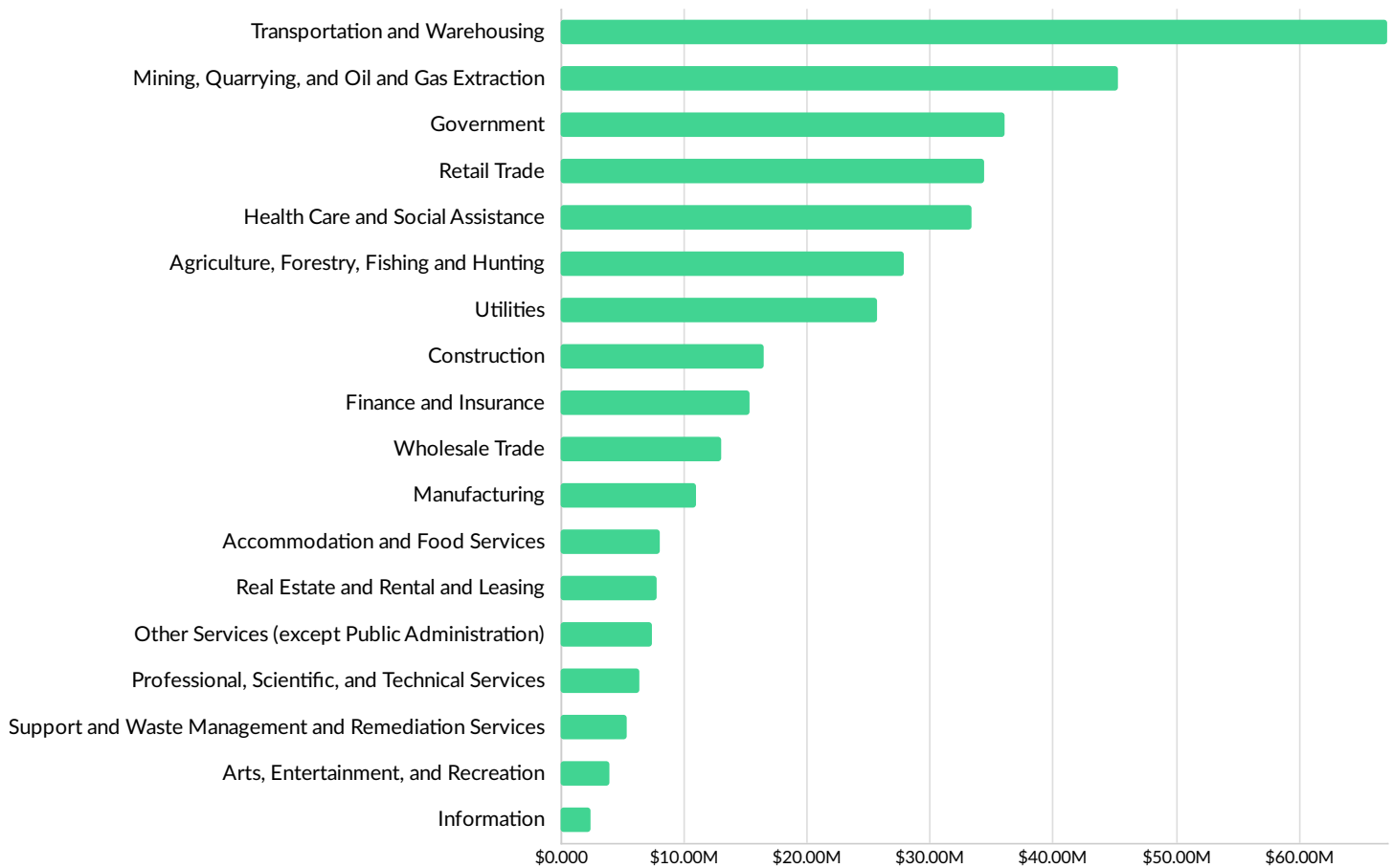
Top Industry LQ



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Top Industry GRP

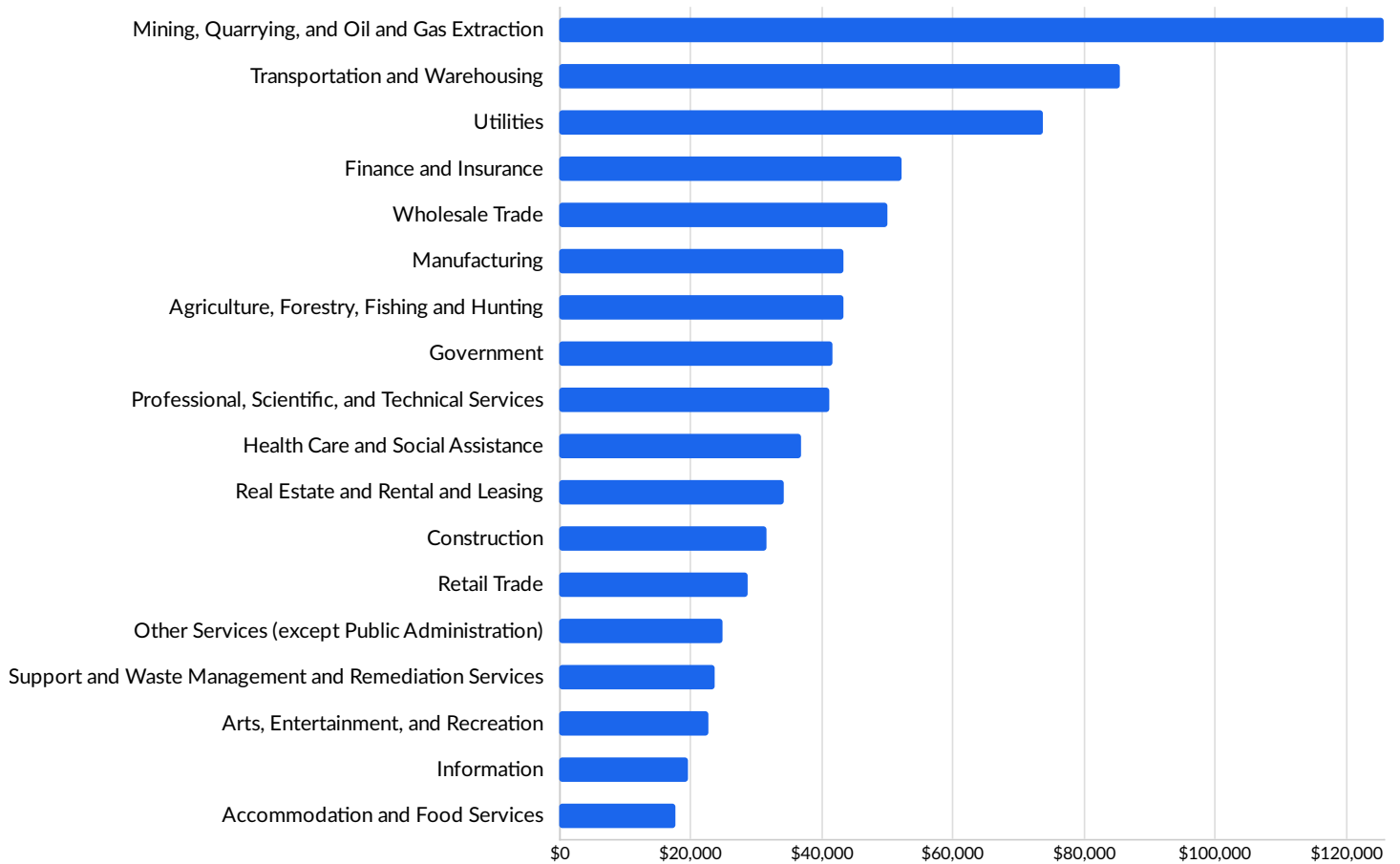
● 2018 Gross Regional Product



Industry Characteristics - Cont.

Top Industry Earnings

● 2018 Earnings Per Worker



Industry Characteristics - Cont.

Industry	2013 Jobs	2018 Jobs	Change in Jobs	% Change in Jobs	2018 LQ	2018 Earnings Per Worker	2018 GRP
Health Care and Social Assistance	711	778	67	+9%	1.45	\$36,906	\$33.37M
Government	837	767	-70	-8%	1.20	\$41,748	\$36.08M
Retail Trade	620	643	23	+4%	1.50	\$28,653	\$34.41M
Construction	336	287	-49	-15%	1.21	\$31,674	\$16.55M
Accommodation and Food Services	291	263	-28	-10%	0.72	\$17,726	\$8.11M
Transportation and Warehousing	464	247	-217	-47%	1.61	\$85,583	\$67.22M
Other Services (except Public Administration)	204	186	-18	-9%	0.92	\$24,945	\$7.46M
Manufacturing	69	141	72	+104%	0.42	\$43,404	\$11.07M
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	106	140	34	+32%	0.53	\$23,762	\$5.41M
Finance and Insurance	140	137	-3	-2%	0.80	\$52,307	\$15.37M
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	102	122	20	+20%	1.65	\$22,660	\$3.94M
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	274	116	-158	-58%	6.61	\$125,770	\$45.31M
Wholesale Trade	63	99	36	+57%	0.63	\$49,961	\$13.06M
Utilities	134	95	-39	-29%	6.53	\$73,738	\$25.73M
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	76	82	6	+8%	0.30	\$41,156	\$6.37M
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	56	51	-5	-9%	1.02	\$43,340	\$27.87M
Information	44	33	-11	-25%	0.42	\$19,678	\$2.48M
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	30	19	-11	-37%	0.26	\$34,337	\$7.85M

Business Characteristics

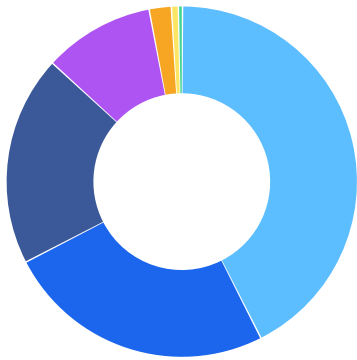
595 Companies Employ Your Workers

Online profiles for your workers mention 595 companies as employers, with the top 10 appearing below. In the last 12 months, 366 companies in Van Buren County, AR posted job postings, with the top 10 appearing below.

Top Companies	Profiles	Top Companies Posting	Unique Postings
Southwestern Energy Company	43 <div></div>	CRST International, Inc.	347 <div></div>
Clinton Public School District	38 <div></div>	J.B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc.	204 <div></div>
Total Health Medical Center	20 <div></div>	USA Truck, Inc.	156 <div></div>
Clinton School District	16 <div></div>	Koch Trucking, Inc.	86 <div></div>
Ozark Health, Inc.	11 <div></div>	Teach For America, Inc.	80 <div></div>
Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.	10 <div></div>	U. S. Xpress, Inc.	69 <div></div>
Acxiom Corporation	6 <div></div>	Decker Truck Line, Inc.	64 <div></div>
Conway Regional Medical Cente...	6 <div></div>	Dollar General Corporation	64 <div></div>
Clinton High School	5 <div></div>	Platinum Supplemental Insuranc...	64 <div></div>
Clinton Inc	5 <div></div>	C.R. England, Inc.	58 <div></div>

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Business Size

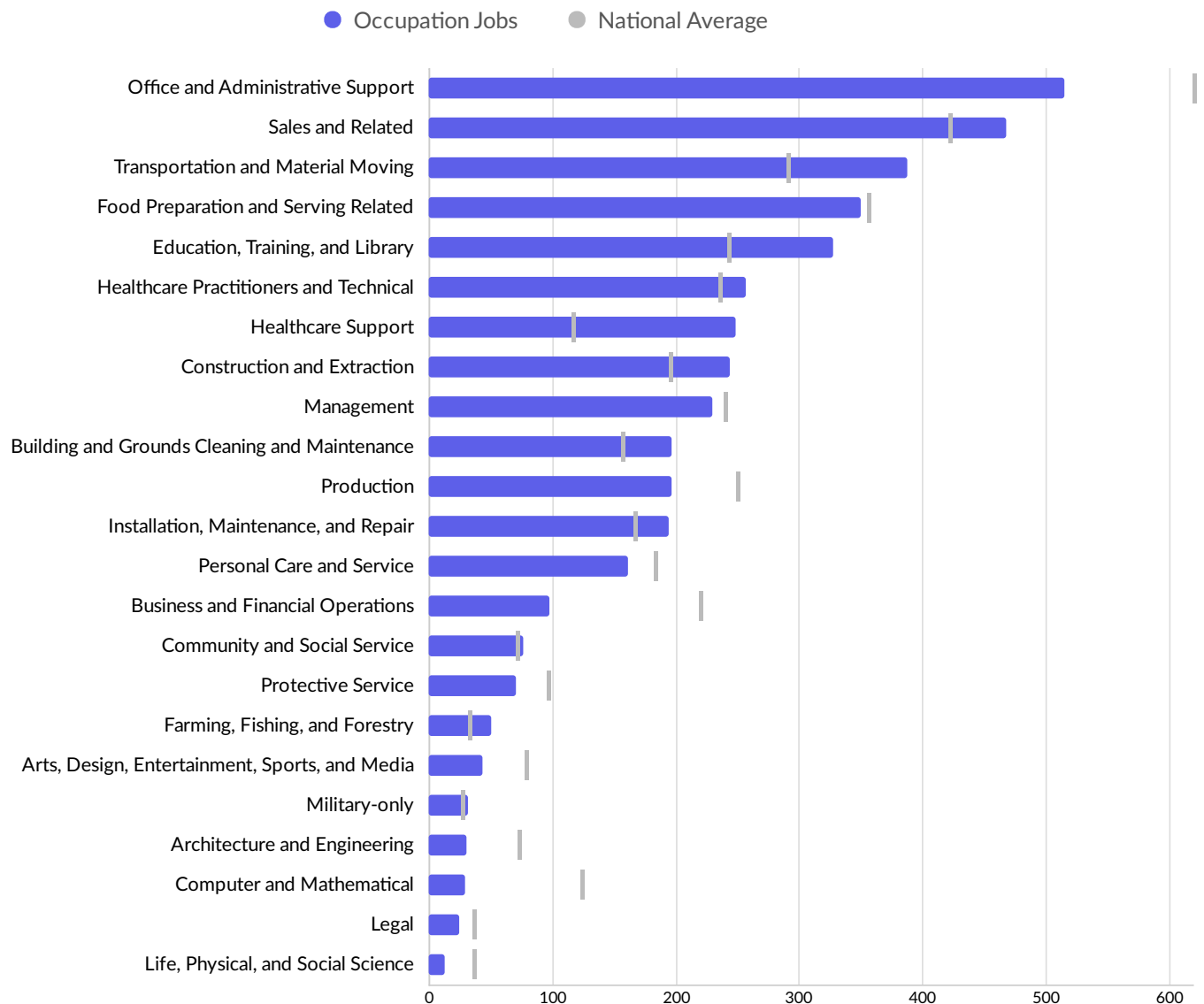


	Percentage	Business Count
1 to 4 employees	42.5%	333
5 to 9 employees	24.9%	195
10 to 19 employees	19.4%	152
20 to 49 employees	10.2%	80
50 to 99 employees	2.0%	16
100 to 249 employees	0.6%	5
250 to 499 employees	0.4%	3

**Business Data by DatabaseUSA.com is third-party data provided by Emsi to its customers as a convenience, and Emsi does not endorse or warrant its accuracy or consistency with other published Emsi data. In most cases, the Business Count will not match total companies with profiles on the summary tab.*

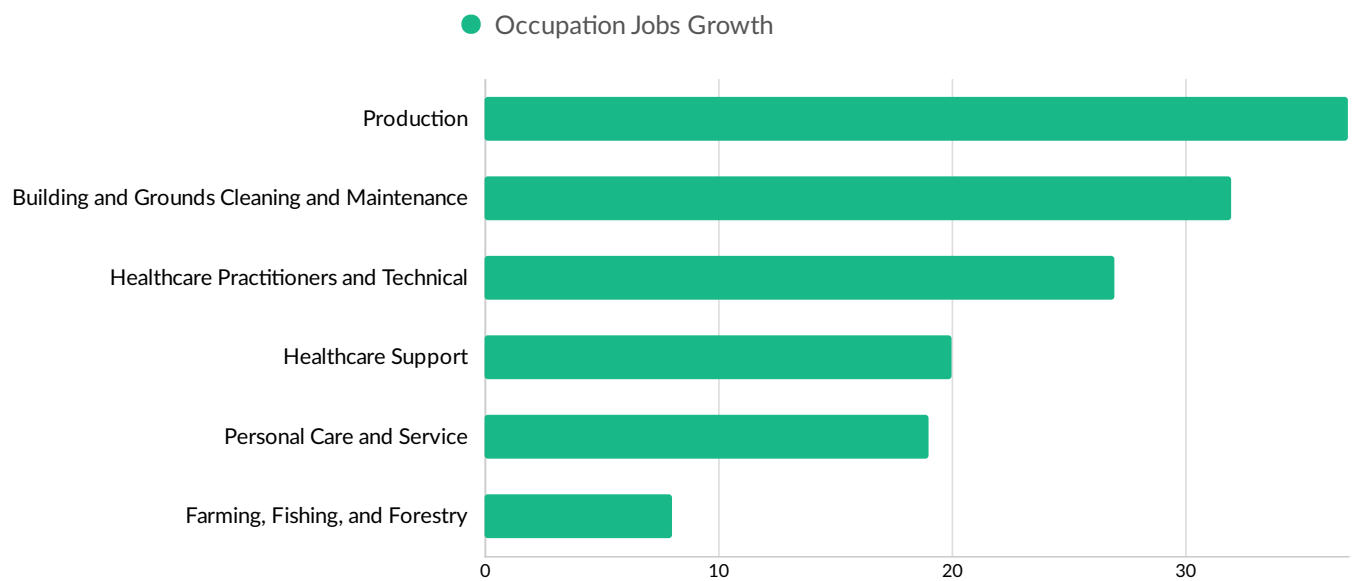
Workforce Characteristics

Largest Occupations



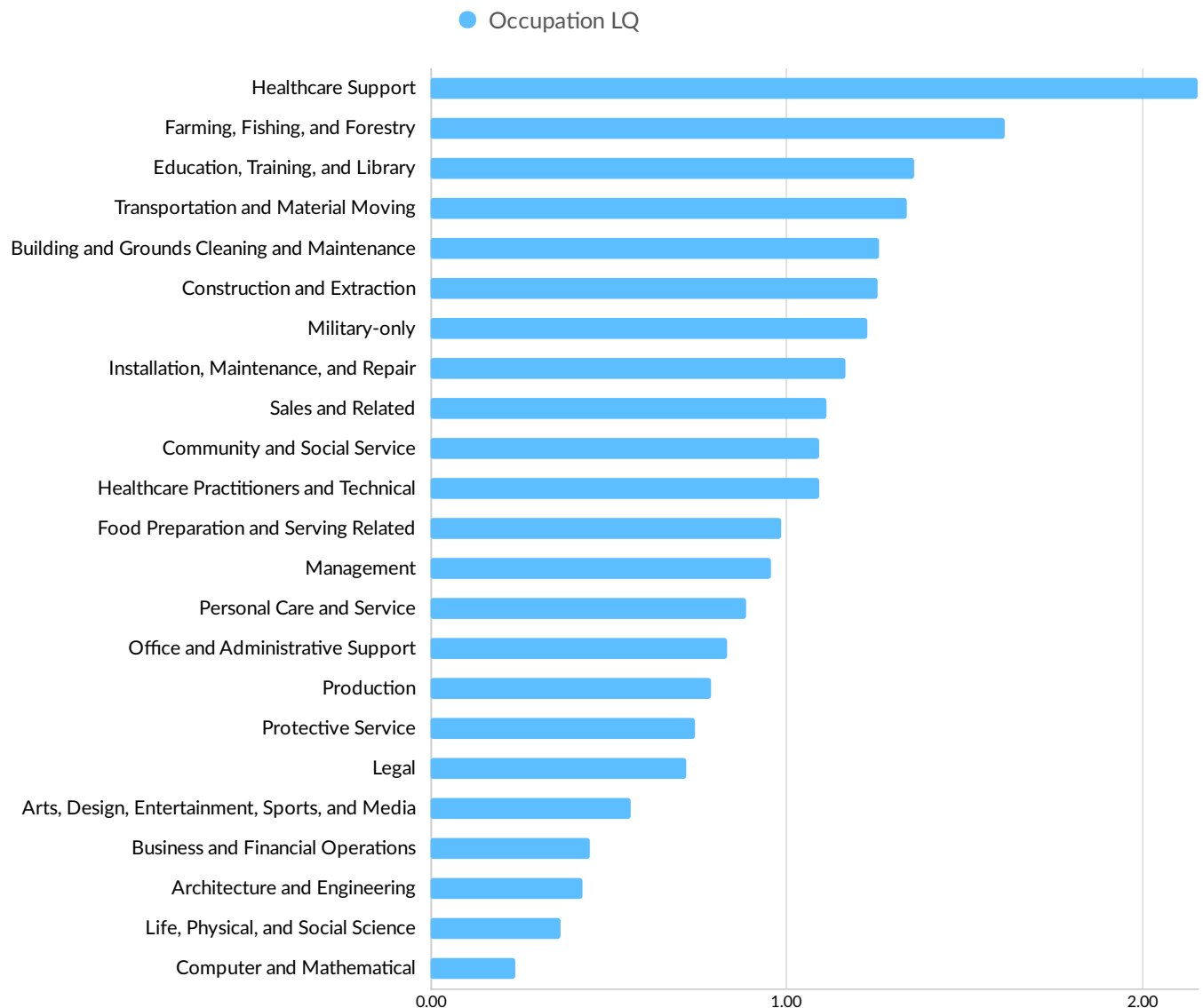
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Top Growing Occupations



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Top Occupation LQ



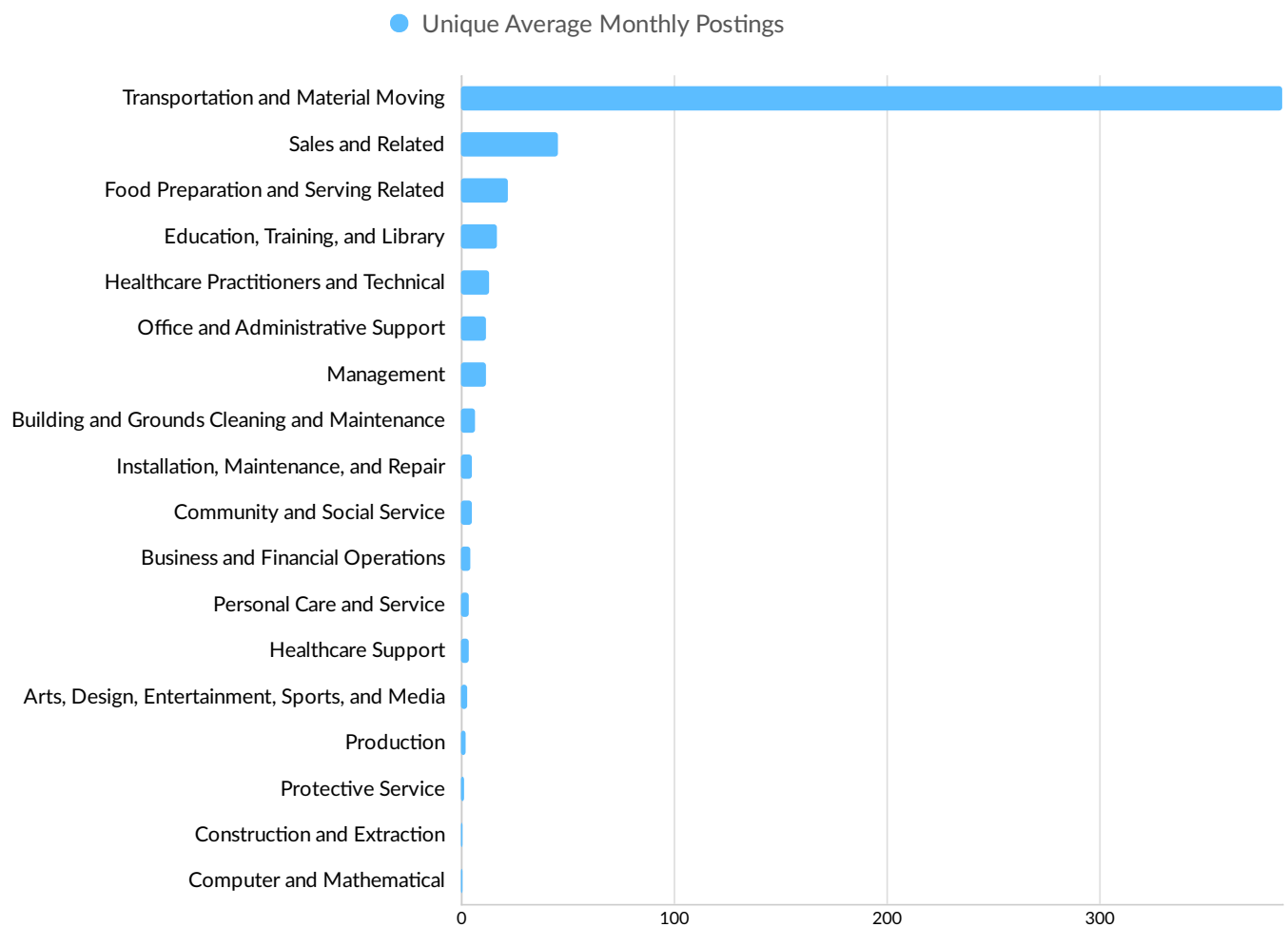
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Top Occupation Earnings



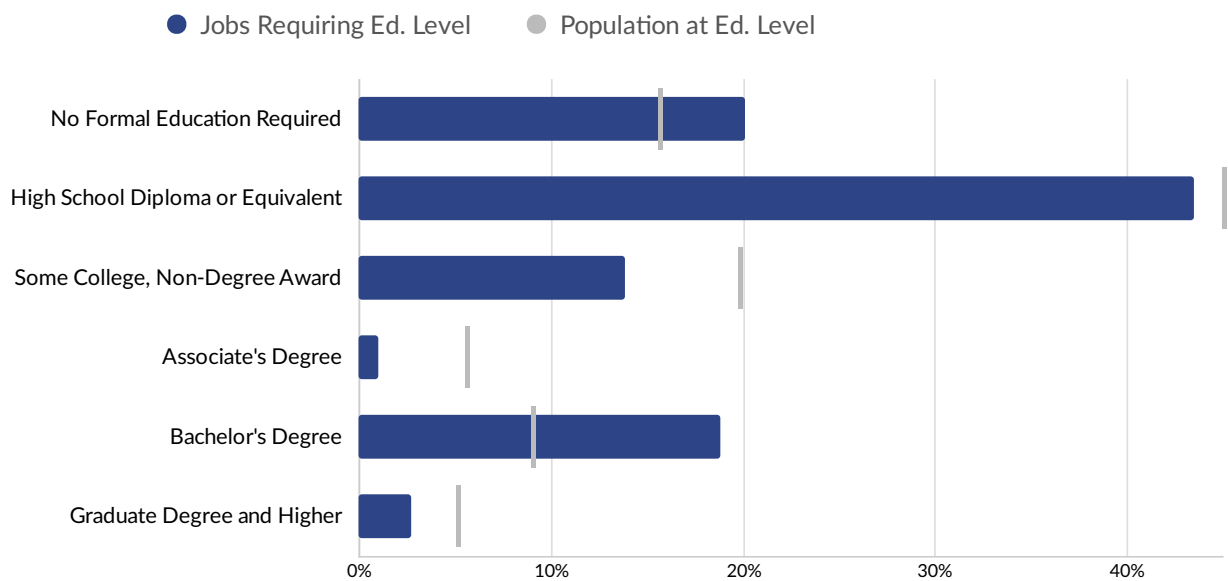
Workforce Characteristics - Cont.

Top Posted Occupations



Workforce Characteristics - Cont.

Underemployment



Workforce Characteristics - Cont.

Occupation	2013 Jobs	2018 Jobs	Change in Jobs	% Change in Jobs	2018 LQ	2017 Median Hourly Earnings	May 2018 - Apr 2019 Unique Average Monthly Postings
Office and Administrative Support	590	515	-75	-13%	0.83	\$12.24	12
Sales and Related	475	469	-6	-1%	1.11	\$10.57	46
Transportation and Material Moving	545	388	-157	-29%	1.34	\$14.62	386
Food Preparation and Serving Related	368	350	-18	-5%	0.99	\$9.71	22
Education, Training, and Library	331	328	-3	-1%	1.36	\$19.42	17
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical	230	257	27	+12%	1.09	\$20.33	13
Healthcare Support	229	249	20	+9%	2.16	\$12.23	4
Construction and Extraction	322	244	-78	-24%	1.26	\$14.78	1
Management	243	230	-13	-5%	0.96	\$23.42	12
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance	165	197	32	+19%	1.26	\$9.98	6
Production	160	197	37	+23%	0.79	\$14.22	2
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair	212	194	-18	-8%	1.17	\$16.69	5
Personal Care and Service	143	162	19	+13%	0.89	\$9.91	4
Business and Financial Operations	111	98	-13	-12%	0.45	\$22.92	4
Community and Social Service	84	77	-7	-8%	1.09	\$16.37	5
Protective Service	79	71	-8	-10%	0.74	\$14.22	2
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry	43	51	8	+19%	1.61	\$14.46	0

Workforce Characteristics - Cont.

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Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media	44	44	0	0%	0.56	\$14.76	3
Military-only	40	32	-8	-20%	1.23	\$15.95	0
Architecture and Engineering	59	31	-28	-47%	0.43	\$29.54	0
Computer and Mathematical	34	29	-5	-15%	0.24	\$21.86	1
Legal	30	25	-5	-17%	0.72	\$23.80	1
Life, Physical, and Social Science	21	13	-8	-38%	0.36	\$27.13	0

Educational Pipeline

Over the last 5 years, no schools in Van Buren County, AR produced graduates.