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Workforce Development

“The New York State Department of Labor’s Division of Research and Statistics prepares long-term projections for over 700 occupations in New York State and its 10 labor market regions. These 10-year forecasts are intended to help individuals make informed education and career decisions and assist educators and training providers in planning for future needs.

Our projections indicate that almost all health care occupations in Upstate are expected to be in demand over the next decade as the region’s population continues to age. Both health care practitioners and health care support occupations are projected to be among Upstate’s fastest growing groups. Growth in health care industry employment is typically driven more by demographics than by changing economic conditions. Sector employment also benefits from continued technological innovation, which both creates more demand for health care services and requires new types of technical skills. Laser eye surgery and joint replacement surgery are good examples of this trend.”

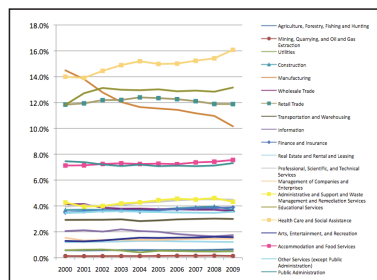
Kevin Jack, Statewide Labor Market Analyst, New York State Department of Labor.

Resources

(titles link to sources on-line)

NYS Department of Labor. “*The Upstate New York Labor Market Report,*” June 2011.

CaRDI, *Upstate New York in Profile: Trends, Projections, and Community & Economic Development Issues* – pgs. 17-24



Employment by Sector, NYS, 2000-2009

See CaRDI’s August New York Minute:

Human Capital, Local Economic Development, & the Importance of Colleges & Universities
by Jason R. Abel & Richard Deitz, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

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