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Employment

Businesses added another 210,000 jobs in July 2015, for a total of 13 million jobs overall. Private businesses have been creating nearly 6,500 new jobs every day since February 2010. Job growth is more widespread across all industries than at any point since 1998.

- The labor force participation rate for July was 62.6%.
- 2.1 million more young people (ages 16-24) were working in July than in April.
- Average weekly earnings across the nation for July 2015 were \$864.65, up \$20.43/week from July 2014.

Unemployment

The July unemployment rate was 5.3%, the first time it has fallen below the pre-recession average.

- African American employment is 9.1%, far above the national average, but 5% lower than three years ago.
- For the week ending August 8, seasonally adjusted initial claims totaled 274,000, up 5,000 from the previous week's revised

Hamilton County Job Postings

141,269 job postings were reported at the end of June. 26,231 were unique. These numbers reflect a 5:1 Posting Intensity meaning that for every 5 postings there is 1 unique job posting.

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level. The 4-week moving average was 266,250, the lowest level for this average since April 15, 2000.

Sources: Bureau of Labor Statistics Employment Summary U.S. Department of Labor

OHIO, HAMILTON COUNTY AND CINCINNATI MSA UNEMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT JUNE 2015

- Ohio's unemployment rate = 5.2%
- Ohio's civilian labor force = 5,786,000 (16 years of age or older working or seeking work)
- Ohio's employed = 5,488,000 (agricultural or non-agricultural; part time or full time; payroll workers, self-employed persons, unpaid workers in family enterprises or domestics)
- Ohio's unemployed = 298,000
- Hamilton County's unemployment rate = 4.6%
- Hamilton County's civilian labor force = 411,500 (16 years of age or older working or seeking work)
- Hamilton County's employed = 392,500 (agricultural or non-agricultural; part time or full time; payroll workers, self-employed persons, unpaid workers in family enterprises or domestics)
- Hamilton County's unemployed = 19,000
- Cincinnati MSA's unemployment rate = 4.6%
- Cincinnati MSA's civilian labor force = 1,093,400 (16 years of age or older working or seeking work)
- Cincinnati MSA's employed = 1,043,200
- Cincinnati MSA's unemployed = 50,100

Additional information is available at www.ohiolmi.com.

Future Jobs: Fastest Growing Careers

Reprinted from Marketplace, Future Jobs-O-Matic

If you're looking for a new line of work, caring for the baby boomer generation might be a good place to start. According to projections by the U.S. Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics, careers as home health care and personal aides will grow by as much as 70 percent by the year 2020.

These career forecasts and hundreds more are featured in Marketplace's new **Future Jobs-O-Matic** career forecasting tool. Here are the top 10



Top Jobs in Hamilton County

- Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers
- Registered Nurses
- Customer Service Reps
- First Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers

These jobs continued to top the postings in Hamilton County for the month of June, 2015.

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Top Ten Companies Hiring (Hamilton County)

- Mercy Health System
- Fifth Third Bancorp
- Robert Half International
- The University of Cincinnati
- Oracle Corporation
- Cincinnati Children's Hospital
- PNC Financial Services Group
- General Electric
- Accenture Ltd.
- The Kroger Co.

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from that list:

1 and 2. Home Health and Personal Care Aide

No question, home health care is a growth industry. It lets sick people stay at home instead of in a hospital and retain some of their independence. Workers in this job help patients perform basic daily activities, like getting in and out of bed, dressing, bathing, eating and using the restroom.

There were about 1.9 million home health and personal care aides in the U.S. in 2010.

"People want to live at home longer, participate in their communities and stay independent, and one of the ways they do that is through home health care," said Danielle Feris, national director of Hand in Hand, a group that advocates for the rights of domestic workers. Employment of home health aides is supposed to grow 69 percent from 2010 to 2020, and the personal care aide profession is projected to grow 70 percent. You can thank the aging baby boom generation and the growing number of elderly people in the U.S.

Home health care is less expensive than prolonged hospital treatment, so it's no wonder the demand for workers in this field is high. There are drawbacks, though. The median yearly income for people in this profession is just \$20,170, or \$9.70 an hour.

The work can be physically and emotionally draining. As Marketplace has reported, some workers say they are treated as maids and don't always get minimum wage or overtime. To read more, **Click Here.**

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Interpreters and Translators Job Outlook

Job growth in the area of interpreters/translators is projected to increase by 46% from 2012-2022.

A more diverse U.S. population and workplace globalization will put interpreters and translators in high demand. The need for Interpreters and translators in many languages as well as Sign Language will continue to grow. To learn more, Click Here.

