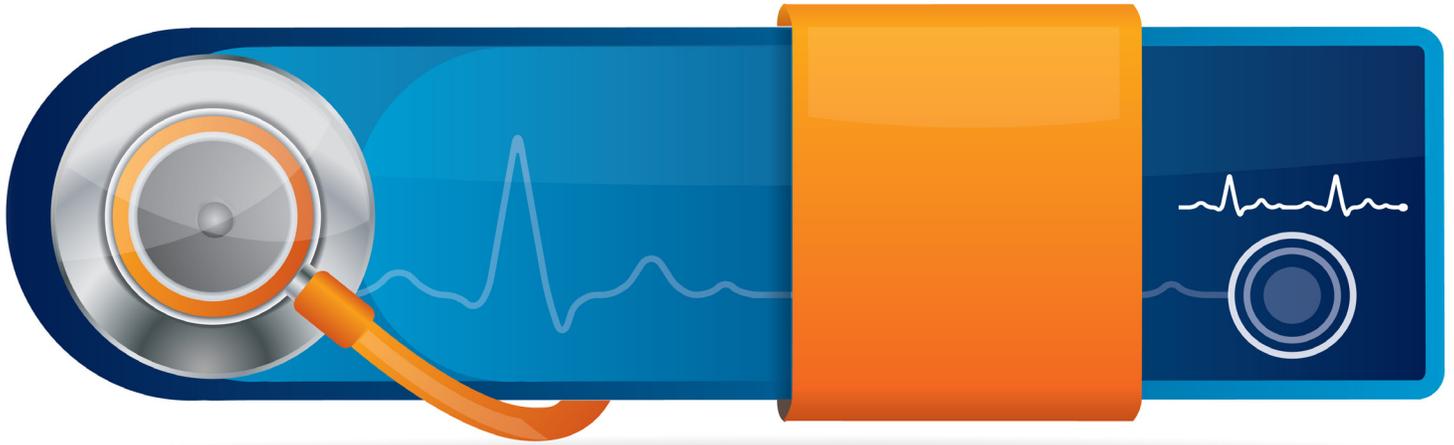


# South Dakota Hot Trends in Healthcare



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 South Dakota's healthcare industry added more workers than any other industry from 2004-2014. This industry added more than 8,500 workers during that period, growth of more than 19 percent.

 South Dakota's healthcare industry is projected to be among the largest growth industries through 2022; it will add an estimated 7,305 workers to South Dakota's economy. The rate of growth is projected to be 13.8 percent, almost double the 7.0 percent growth projected for all industries.

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# The Statistics Behind the Trends

South Dakota's healthcare industry is a major source of employment and earnings in South Dakota, accounting for 51,817 workers (or 15.3 percent of all workers in privately owned establishments) and 19.6 percent of statewide privately owned establishment payroll in 2014 (based on Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages).

The number of workers in South Dakota's healthcare industry increased 19.7 percent from 2004 to 2014, significantly higher than the 12.8 percent increase among all private industries (based on Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages).

South Dakota's healthcare industry is projected to be among the largest growth industries through 2022. The industry is projected to add 7,305 workers to South Dakota's economy (from a level of 52,875 in 2012 to a level of 60,180 in 2022). The rate of growth is projected to be 13.8 percent, nearly double the 7.0 percent growth projected in total employment for all industries.

The healthcare practitioners and technical occupations group is projected to be the fastest-growing occupational group in South Dakota to 2022. Employment in this group (including such occupations as family and general practitioners, registered nurses and physical therapists, to name a few) is projected to increase by more than 3,800 workers and 13.1 percent by 2022.

Several healthcare occupations in South Dakota are projected to have higher-than-average demand for workers in 2022. (The average annual demand for workers across all occupations is projected to be 20 workers.) The table below shows the employment and demand projections for those healthcare occupations projected to have higher-than-average demand for workers.

**Healthcare Occupations Projected to Have Higher-than-Average Demand for Workers in South Dakota through 2022**

Occupational Title	2012 Workers	2022 Workers	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Average Annual Demand for Workers
Registered Nurses	11,380	12,870	1,490	13.1%	370
Nursing Assistants	6,310	6,885	575	9.1%	177
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	2,135	2,380	245	11.5%	76
Medical Records and Health Information Technicians	1,025	1,155	130	12.7%	40
Medical Assistants	1,095	1,275	180	16.4%	39
Pharmacists	1,030	1,150	120	11.7%	37
Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics	940	1,040	100	10.6%	36
Physical Therapists	645	790	145	22.5%	31
Dental Assistants	865	975	110	12.7%	29
Pharmacy Technicians	1,245	1,405	160	12.9%	28
Home Health Aides	945	1,030	85	9.0%	27
Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologists	810	865	55	6.8%	27
Radiologic Technologists	955	1,075	120	12.6%	25
Medical and Health Services Managers	665	745	80	12.0%	24
Dental Hygienists	490	595	105	21.4%	22