

Guide To Using NWT Job Futures

Welcome To NWT Job Futures

Planning your career is an important and challenging task. There are many choices available that you may not even be aware of. For example, do you know what sort of training you need to be an aircraft mechanic, or what it is like to be a policy analyst? NWT Job Futures is designed to help you answer these and many other questions.

NWT Job Futures includes 141 occupational profiles that are available in the Northwest Territories. There are actually hundreds of different occupations, but they have been grouped together where they are similar in type of work, education, training and physical demands.

NWT Job Futures answers important questions about each occupation, such as:

- What are the main duties?
- Is the work full-time, part-time or seasonal?
- What kind of training is needed?
- Where is the training offered?
- How long is the training?
- What skills are needed for each type of work?
- Where are people in each occupation usually employed?

This edition also answers questions about the job market, such as:

- How many people work in each occupation?
- How much demand will there be in the future for each occupation?
- How much money do people earn in each occupation?

NWT Job Futures provides information that helps you narrow down the thousands of choices available to you. It will help you think about your interests, abilities, ambitions and which occupations are related to your likes and dislikes.

NWT Job Futures is intended to be the starting point of your research. Be sure to consult other sources for more information. See your school or career counsellor for assistance, talk to your family and friends, contact people working in the occupations that interest you. School and public libraries can also be helpful for researching occupations. Get all the information you need to make a decision, as choosing a career is one of the most important life decisions you'll ever make.



How To Use NWT Job Futures

The occupational profiles are divided into groups by kind of work performed, as shown below:

- Management occupations.
- Business, finance and administrative.
- Natural and applied science.
- Health.
- Social science, education and government service.
- Art, culture, recreation and sport.
- Sales and service.
- Trades, transport and equipment operators.
- Primary industries (mining, oil and gas).
- Processing, manufacturing and utilities.

There are a number of occupational groups. These are grouped together based on the kind of work performed, educational requirements and similar duties.

If you are looking for a specific occupation, check the alphabetical index of job titles in the back of NWT Job Futures. Once you find the job profile you are looking for, use the following information to understand what each section means.

Occupational Title

Once you find the occupation you are looking for, you'll notice that each profile begins with a number of the National Occupational Code (NOC) and a title, such as "111 Auditors, Accountants and Investment Professionals". The jobs in each grouping have similar education and training requirements and work duties. NWT Job Futures includes 141 job groupings that are most important to job seekers in the Northwest Territories.

Typical Occupations

In this section, you'll find the most common NWT occupations in each job group. It includes jobs from national sources, as well as jobs from the Government of the Northwest Territories, community governments and major employers operating in the NWT. Please refer to the "Index of Job Titles" for a full listing of all the typical jobs available and which occupation grouping to find them under.

At a Glance

This section gives NWT statistics about who holds the jobs in this occupational grouping in terms of number of employees, gender, age and ethnicity and hours of work. It includes information about whether the work in this occupation is full or part-time.

Percentages given for gender, age, ethnicity and hours of work may not total 100% due to the rounding of numbers.





At Work

This section describes the main duties individuals working in these positions may be required to perform on a regular basis. This information is very general and exact duties will be determined by a job description specific to that place of employment.

Requirements

This section includes a description of the education usually required to work in these occupations, including references to on-the-job training and experience and any professional designations, certificates, permits and licenses that may be required.

Your Skills and Aptitudes

This section contains general information about the personality type of those who are successful in these positions, as well as the skills and natural aptitudes that make individuals suitable for a job.

How To Get There

This section describes the various educational and career pathways that could lead to entry level positions in each occupational grouping. It includes information for occupational certification and apprenticeship with business and industry in the NWT, as well as with the School of Community Government.

Where The Jobs Are

This section contains information about the industry that jobs in these occupational groupings are found in and where the potential employee could reasonably expect to find this kind of work within the NWT.

Only the top two industries employing people in each occupation have been identified in the “Where the Jobs Are” section, therefore the percentage totals may not always total 100%.

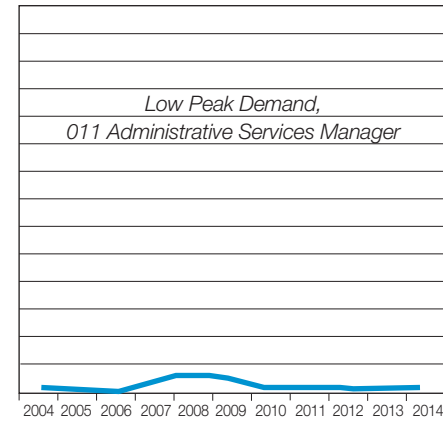
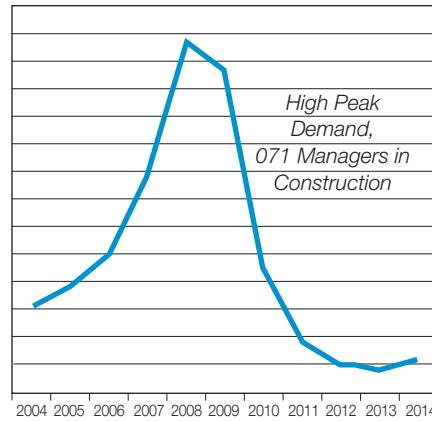
Projected Demand

The information included in this section is a general indication of the kind of occupations that will be in demand over the period 2006 to 2014. The projection is based on current demand, and the demand associated with a number of proposed development projects that are expected to take place over the next decade. The largest of these projects is the proposed Mackenzie Gas Project.

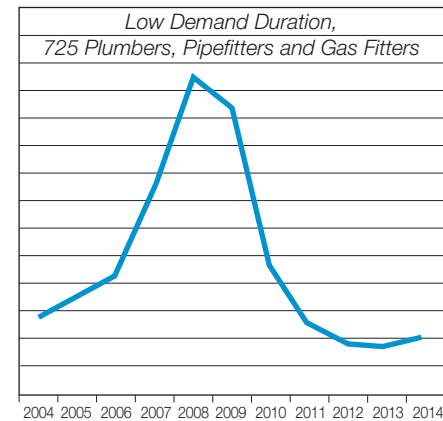
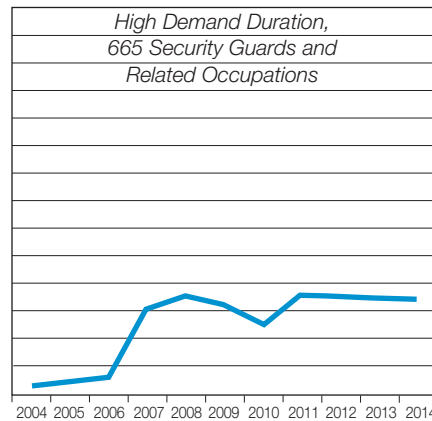


These graphs clarify the meaning of Peak Demand, Demand Duration and Job Opportunities.

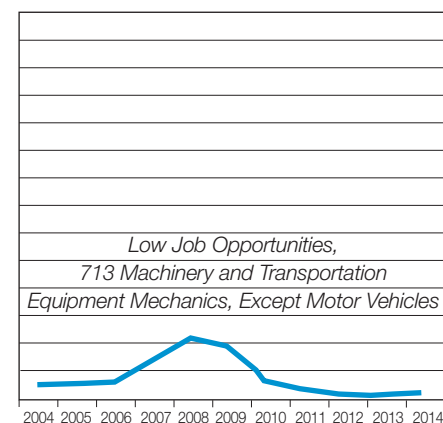
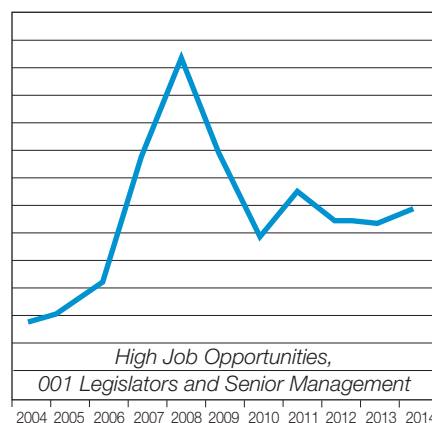
Peak Demand: Where the demand has the highest concentration (peaks) over a short period of time.



Demand Duration: Compares the demand for the occupation at the end of the timeline to demand over the entire timeline.



Job Opportunities: Compares the number employed in the occupation in the base year (2004) to the end of the timeline.





Average Employment Income

This section includes information on the average employment income for the specific occupations, and is compared to the overall Northwest Territories average employment income.

Resources

Each of the jobs in the occupational groupings includes a range of options when it comes to getting the right kind of education and skills. This section includes some of the universities, colleges, schools, career centres and professional associations that may be useful resources. Please refer to the “Index of Additional Resources” for full contact information for each resource.

