

## 2.5 Projected Employment by Occupation

Six of the top seven occupations by projected percentage annual growth in Leon County are in technology or medical fields. By total employment change, service occupations (Waiters and Waitresses, Food Prep. and Serving Workers and Retail Salespersons) account for the top three occupations projected to add the most jobs by 2016.

**Figure 2-8**  
**Fastest Growing Occupations, Leon County (2008-2016)**

<b>Industry</b>	<b>2008 Emp.</b>	<b>2016 Emp.</b>	<b>Total Emp. Change</b>	<b>Annual Percentage Change</b>
Computer Software Engineers, Applications	500	784	284	7.1%
Computer Software Engineers, Systems Software	232	342	110	5.9%
Veterinary Technologists and Technicians	122	164	42	4.3%
Pharmacy Technicians	350	466	116	4.1%
Network Systems & Data Communications Analysts	1,325	1,745	420	4.0%
Painters, Construction and Maintenance	537	705	168	3.9%
Home Health Aides	1,006	1,319	313	3.9%
Drywall and Ceiling Tile Installers	177	231	54	3.8%
Surveying and Mapping Technicians	224	290	66	3.7%
Skin Care Specialists	104	134	30	3.6%
Hosts, Restaurant, Lounge, and Coffee Shop	518	667	149	3.6%
Medical Assistants	400	512	112	3.5%
Mechanical Engineers	115	147	32	3.5%
Waiters and Waitresses	3,489	4,431	942	3.4%
Market Research Analysts	159	202	43	3.4%

Source: Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation, Labor Market Statistics, Florida Employment Forecast

**Figure 2-9**  
**Occupations Gaining the Most New Jobs, Leon County (2008-2016)**

<b>Industry</b>	<b>2008 Emp.</b>	<b>2016 Emp.</b>	<b>Total Emp. Change</b>	<b>Annual Percentage Change</b>
Waiters and Waitresses	3,489	4,431	942	3.4%
Food Prep. & Serving Workers, Inc. Fast Food	4,193	4,969	776	2.3%
Retail Salespersons	4,945	5,676	731	1.9%
Accountants and Auditors	4,112	4,642	530	1.6%
Registered Nurses	2,705	3,230	525	2.4%
Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	4,577	5,101	524	1.4%
Office Clerks, General	4,188	4,671	483	1.4%
Network Systems and Data Communications Analyst	1,325	1,745	420	4.0%
Lawyers	2,696	3,073	377	1.8%
Janitors & Cleaners, Except Maids & Housekeeping	3,177	3,531	354	1.4%
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	2,282	2,620	338	1.9%
Customer Service Representatives	1,699	2,025	326	2.4%

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