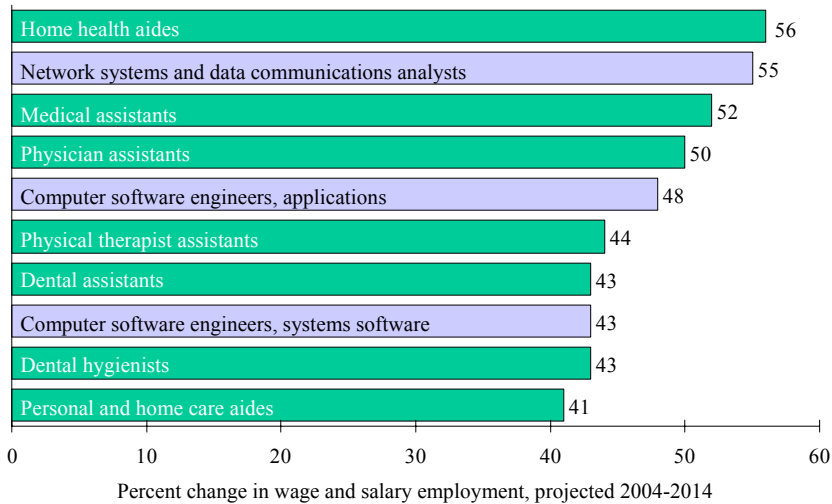


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- Health care occupations are expected to grow rapidly over the 2004-2014 period as a growing and aging population continues to demand a high level of quality health care services. Health care aide and assistant occupations are projected to grow especially quickly as organizations try to control costs. Aides and assistants are expected to assume some duties formerly done by more highly paid health care workers, such as dentists, physicians, and therapists.
- Computer occupations also are expected to grow rapidly as new technologies develop and as computer use expands. However, growth is projected to be slower than it was in the previous decade due to offshore outsourcing of work and because the maturing computer industry is not expected to grow quite so rapidly as in the past.