

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT & EARNINGS: ANALYZING DATA FROM HUMAN SERVICES

This Cluster Analysis of *Health Science* in the Commonwealth highlights information important to each of the five pathways—Consumer Services; Counseling & Mental Health Services; Early Childhood Development & Services; Family & Community Services; and Personal Care Services—included in this career cluster.

What trends do we currently see? What trends may we anticipate?

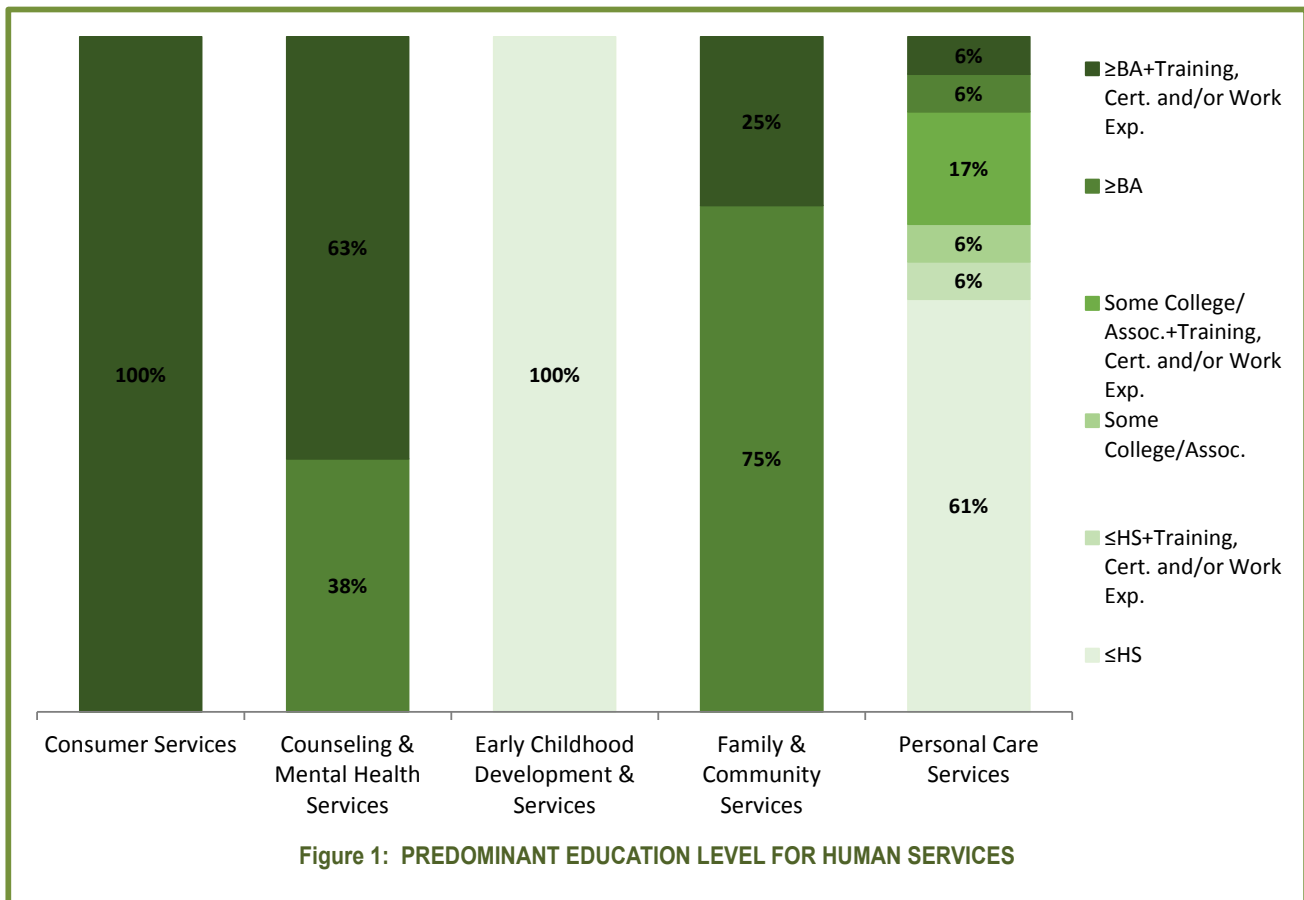
- The Human Services cluster is expected to grow by over 40,000 jobs between the years 2012 and 2022, with over 7,000 employment opportunities available annually.
- Personal Care Services is the pathway that will be employing the largest number of people; over 120,000 jobs are projected for this pathway in 2022.
- With a projected growth rate of 25 percent by 2022, Human Services is one of the fastest-growing clusters in the Commonwealth.

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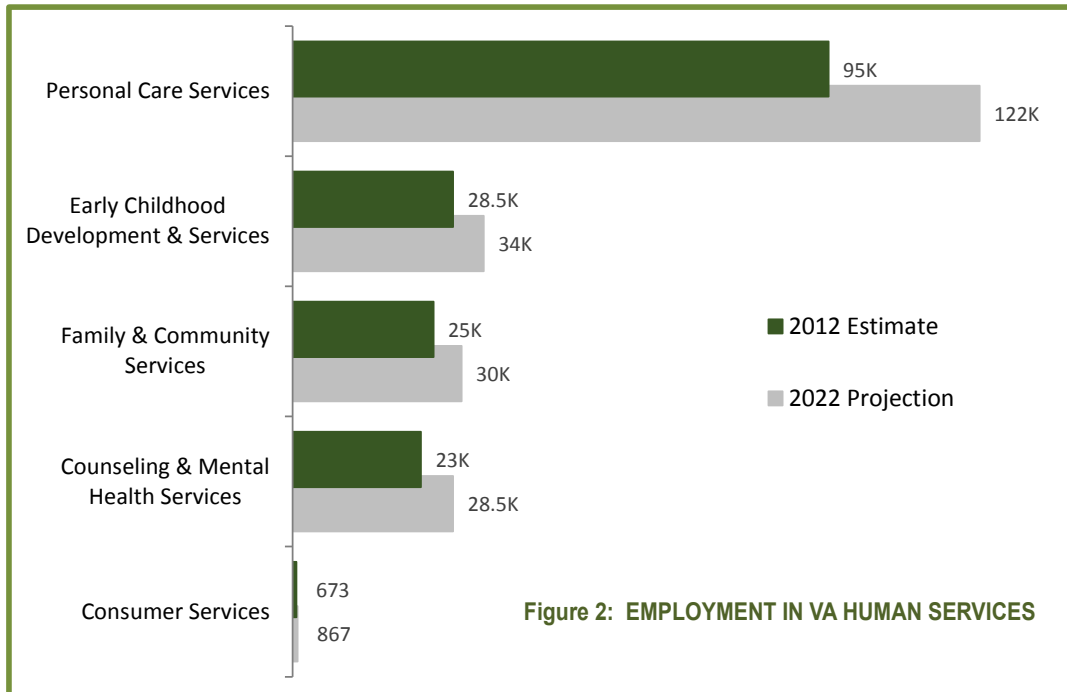
Expected growth in Human Services jobs by 2022.

EDUCATION

Figure 1 shows the predominant level¹ of education and training in each pathway. Education classification is determined by Trailblazers, based on US Bureau of Labor Statistics occupational education and training data.



Footnote 1: Reflects predominant education by the number of occupations in each pathway, not the number of workers



EMPLOYMENT

Figure 2 compares the estimated 2012 employment for each pathway to projected 2022 employment levels.

Data are provided by the Virginia Employment Commission.

EARNINGS AND GROWTH

Figure 3 presents the size and median wage-earning for the two fastest-growing occupations in each pathway. Wage data are provided by the US Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Employment Statistics program.

