**Management Occupations** is projected to add 3,465 new jobs to the state economy, an increase of 2.52 percent. Of the 12,218 annual job openings, 5,544 are for those created from employees leaving the workforce, while 4,942 are from people changing jobs. Growth and expansion accounts for 1,732 annual openings.

**2-Year Projected (2018-2020) Growth Rate: 2.52%  
Biggest Gain: Farmers, Ranchers, and Other Agricultural Managers (11-9013) – 1,016 jobs  
Fastest Gain: Financial Managers (11-3031) – 5.22%   
Biggest and Fastest Loser: Postmasters and Mail Superintendents (11-9131) – 4 jobs (2.13%)**

**Short-Term Outlook 2018-2020**

**Management Occupations (11-0000)**

The ***Top Executives*** occupational family is anticipating 694 new jobs, an increase of 2.60 percent. General and Operations Managers are set to add 653 of those, while Chief Executives estimates little change in their ranks. The occupational family is expecting around 2,481 annual job openings.

***Advertising, Marketing, Promotions, Public Relations, and Sales Managers*** is predicted to increase jobs by 180, an increase of 3.60 percent. Sales Managers leads this occupational familywith 90 new jobs, while Public Relations and Fundraising Managers could be the fastest with a 4.87 percent gain. Around 514 annual job openings are anticipated annually in the occupational family.

The ***Operations Specialties Managers*** occupational family is estimated to increase employment by 622, or a gain of 4.28 percent. Financial Managers are expected to be the fastest growing occupation in **Management Occupations** with a gain of 5.22 percent.The occupation also anticipates around 437 annual job openings. ***Operations Specialties Managers*** as a whole is projected to have 1,410 job openings annually.

The ***Other Management Occupations*** occupational family is expected to be the top growing occupational family in the **Management Occupations** major group adding 1,969 new jobs between 2018 and 2020. Farmers, Ranchers, and Other Agricultural Managers is predicted to be the top growing occupation adding 1,016 new jobs placing them fifth in the state in numeric change. The occupation is also anticipated to have the most job openings in the state directly related to workers leaving the workforce. This may be due to the older age of farming managers.

**Workforce Development Area Outlook  
Management Occupations**

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| **Workforce Development Area** | **2018 Estimated Employment** | **2020 Projected Employment** | **Net Change** | **Percent Change** | **Annual Openings-Exits** | **Annual Openings- Transfers** | **Annual Openings- Change** | **Annual Openings- Total** |
| Northwest Arkansas | 32,393 | 33,449 | 1,056 | 3.26% | 1,280 | 1,213 | 528 | 3,021 |
| North Central Arkansas | 13,006 | 13,141 | 135 | 1.04% | 642 | 330 | 68 | 1,040 |
| Northeast Arkansas | 11,246 | 11,793 | 547 | 4.86% | 497 | 364 | 274 | 1,135 |
| Western Arkansas | 11,934 | 12,055 | 121 | 1.01% | 508 | 390 | 60 | 958 |
| West Central Arkansas | 13,536 | 13,860 | 324 | 2.39% | 610 | 416 | 162 | 1,188 |
| Central Arkansas | 13,303 | 13,601 | 298 | 2.24% | 496 | 525 | 149 | 1,170 |
| City of Little Rock | 14,342 | 14,821 | 479 | 3.34% | 379 | 738 | 240 | 1,357 |
| Eastern Arkansas | 4,429 | 4,411 | -18 | -0.41% | 196 | 136 | -9 | 323 |
| Southwest Arkansas | 10,072 | 10,186 | 114 | 1.13% | 446 | 312 | 57 | 815 |
| Southeast Arkansas | 8,678 | 8,776 | 98 | 1.13% | 387 | 264 | 49 | 700 |