

## Projected job growth for counselors

Occupational title	Employment 2006	Projected 2016	%change
Substance abuse & behavioral Disorder counselors	83,000	112,000	+34%
Educational, vocational & School counselors	260,000	292,000	+13%
Marriage and family Therapists	25,000	32,000	+30%
Mental Health counselors	100,000	130,000	+30%
Rehabilitation counselors	141,000	173,000	+23%
Counselors all other	27,000	32,000	+17%
Counselors (all titles)	635,000	771,000	+21%

According to the 2008-2009 edition of the *Occupational Outlook handbook* produced by the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment for counselors is expected to grow much faster than the average for all occupations through 2016. The projections and occupational titles above are from the National employment Matrix included in the *Occupational Outlook Handbook* (data projections are rounded). For more on counseling careers, read "Running down a dream" beginning on page 34.