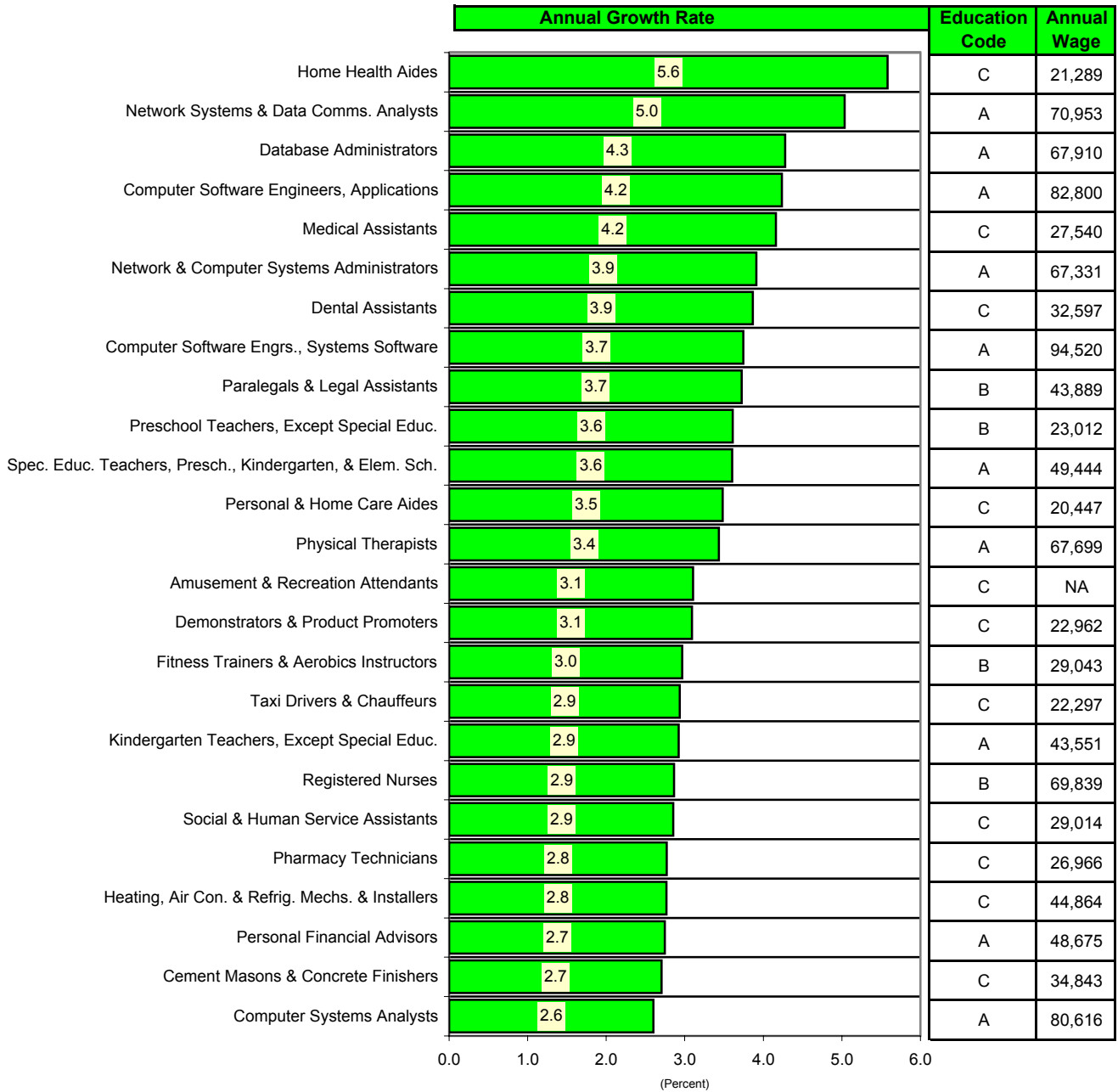


MARYLAND
FASTEST GROWING OCCUPATIONS - 2004-2014
(Occupations selected have a minimum base year employment of 3,000)



* Expansion in these fastest growing occupations will yield an additional 72,035 jobs through 2014, accounting for more than 18% of overall occupational growth over the forecast period.

* Sixteen of the twenty-five fastest growing occupations will expand at a rate doubling the 1.5 growth rate anticipated for all occupations.

* Healthcare and computer occupations figure prominently among the fastest growing occupations. When combined, occupations in these specialties account for nearly half of the occupations listed above.