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5,080 Direct Care Workforce Growth, 2022 - 2032 62,300 Direct Care Workforce Total Job Openings, 2022 - 2032

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**88%** Women, 2022 **44%** People of Color, 2022

2% Immigrants, 2022



# Worker Supportive Policies Index

#### **Direct Care Workforce Policies**

State policies that improve direct care worker compensation, training, and access to employment (via matching service registries).

	Score	Year
Personal Care Aide Training Standards Key Provisions	6.67/10	2024
Home Health Aide Training Standards Exceed Federal Minimum	Νο	2016
Nursing Assistant Training Standards Exceed Federal Minimum	Yes	2016
Dollar-Amount Wage-Pass Through Policy (Current)	Νο	2024
Percentage Wage-Pass Through Policy (Current)	Νο	2024
State-Funded Matching Service Registry	Νο	2024

#### **Universal Labor Policies**

State policies that support all workers ability to access health insurance, take paid time off, collectively bargain, achieve greater economic stability, and access/maintain employment without discrimination.

	Score	Year
Minimum Wage Exceed Federal Minimum Wage	Yes	2024
Medicaid Expansion	Yes	2023
Paid Sick Leave	Νο	2024
Paid Family and Medical Leave	Νο	2024
Union-Supportive Legal Environments	Νο	2023
Refundable State Earned Income Tax Credit	Νο	2023
Non-Refundable State Earned Income Tax Credit	Νο	2023
Protections for LGBTQ+ Workers	Νο	2023



## Direct Care Workforce Economic Index

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	Score	Year
Median Wage	\$13.25	2022
Wage Competitiveness	-\$2.63	2022
Median Personal Earnings	\$22,514	2022
Low-Income Household	41%	2022
Housing Cost-Burdened	27%	2022
Uninsured	11%	2022