


	Current Number of Workers 2006	Projected Number of Workers 2016	% Change to 2016	Average Annual Openings	 Stock Clerks and Order Fillers SOC # 43-5081	
Regional	1750	1800	2.90%	45		
Texas	124,500	128,050	2.90%	3310		
Education/ Training Time	Is License Required?	Wage Rate \$/Hr. 2008 Regionally	Percent Female	Average Age	Job Turnover	Why Most Job Openings Occur
HS + Computer	No	\$11.70	31.9%	39.3	Very high	Replacement

JOB DESCRIPTION

Receive, store, and issue sales floor merchandise, materials, equipment, and other items from stockroom, warehouse, or storage yard to fill shelves, racks, tables, or customers' orders. May mark prices on merchandise and set up sales displays.

WHERE DO WORKERS FIND JOBS?

Grocery Stores
 Other General Merchandise Stores
 Department Stores
 Building Material and Supplies Dealers
 Clothing Stores
 Grocery and Related Product Merchant Wholesalers

RELATED COLLEGE PROGRAMS

CIP 521803 Retailing and Retail Operations

IMPORTANT KNOWLEDGE

ARTS AND HUMANITIES

* English Language -- Knowledge of the structure and content of the English language including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.

BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

* Administration and Management
 * Customer and Personal Service
 * Sales and Marketing

MANUFACTURING AND PRODUCTION

* Production and Processing

MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE

* Mathematics

IMPORTANT SKILLS

CONTENT

* Active Listening
 * Mathematics
 * Reading Comprehension
 * Speaking

SOCIAL SKILLS

* Coordination
 * Instructing

IMPORTANT ABILITIES

AUDITORY AND SPEECH ABILITIES

* Speech Clarity * Speech Recognition

CONTROL MOVEMENT ABILITIES

* Multilimb Coordination

FINE MANIPULATIVE ABILITIES

* Manual Dexterity

IDEA GENERATION AND REASONING ABILITIES

* Category Flexibility * Deductive Reasoning
 * Information Ordering * Problem Sensitivity

PHYSICAL STRENGTH ABILITIES

* Trunk Strength

VERBAL ABILITIES

* Oral Comprehension * Oral Expression
 * Written Comprehension

VISUAL ABILITIES

* Near Vision

NATURE OF THE WORK: Stock Clerks and Order Fillers

Stock clerks and order fillers receive, unpack, check, store, and track merchandise or materials. They keep records of items entering or leaving the stockroom and inspect damaged or spoiled goods. They sort, organize, and mark items with identifying codes, such as price, stock, or inventory control codes, so that inventories can be located quickly and easily. They also may be required to lift cartons of various sizes. In larger establishments, where they may be responsible for only one task, they may be called stock-control clerks, merchandise distributors, or property custodians. In smaller firms, they also may perform tasks usually handled by shipping and receiving clerks.

In many firms, stock clerks and order fillers use hand-held scanners connected to computers to keep inventories up to date. In retail stores, stock clerks bring merchandise to the sales floor and stock shelves and racks. In stockrooms and warehouses, stock clerks store materials in bins, on floors, or on shelves. Instead of putting the merchandise on the sales floor or on shelves, order fillers take customers' orders and either hold the merchandise until the customers can pick it up or send it to them.