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U.S. consumers: which jobs are they creating?

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The purchasing decisions consumers make help determine where the jobs are in the economy; as spending choices change over the 1994-2005 period, so will the industries and occupations employing the workers. This article examines domestic employment that is dependent on consumer spending. The consumption-related jobs of the 1977-93 period are compared with those expected for the 1994-2005 period, using the most recent economic and employment projections developed biennially by the Office of Employment Projections.

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