Areas of Interest

The numbers listed below indicate percentile rank in broad occupational areas and give a good indication of the individual’s occupational interest.

Social Service 82
Persuasive 76
Numerical 74
Mechanical 66
Artistic 62
Musical 44
Clerical 42
Scientific 37
Outdoor 35
Literary 24

**Persuasive** - Persuasive interactions with others. Motivating others to accept ideas, actions or opinions through means of persuasion, reasoning or argument.

**Social Service** - Organized assistance and services to support and advance social conditions of the individual and community through social programs, agencies and organized religious involvement.

**Scientific** - Involvement in professions or avocations that assist others through research. Occupations in health services, technology and medical paraprofessionals, nutritional or pharmaceutical services involving scientific interests.

**Mechanical** - Hands-on work with a broad range of technical responsibilities from power-driven machine operations to high tech electronics. Interests may include design, maintenance, operation or repair of motors and machinery, power-driven or automated.

**Outdoor** - Hands-on work in an outdoor or natural environment. These activities can include physical or mental exertion outside of office confines. Some individuals score high because of environmental concerns.

**Numerical** - Combining numbers analytically and factually to arrive at practical, quantitative conclusions. Utilizing numbers in business bookkeeping, accounting and tax procedures.

**Clerical** - Being involved in administrative positions including recording, data processing, numeric detail and personnel functions that require predictable results and specific controls.

**Artistic** - Creating imaginative works of aesthetic value, expressing ideas artistically. Working or performing in the visual arts.

**Literary** - Creative interest in writing and in sophisticated language skills. Indicates appreciation for abstract ideas conveyed in various mediums and materials.

**Musical** - Involvement with music in its many forms. Interests may include melodies, compositions, attending concerts, supporting the musical arts, or simply appreciating music. Professional musicians would be expected to have a high degree of this interest.