## **DENTAL ASSISTANTS** (NOC: 3411)



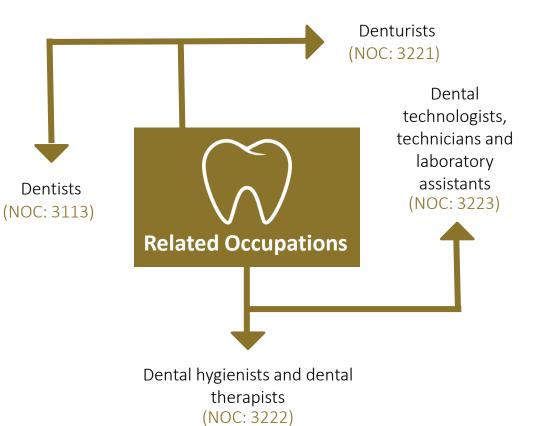
Dental assistants assist dentists, dental hygienists and dental therapists during the examination and treatment of patients and perform clerical functions. Dental assistants work in dentists' offices, community health centers, clinics and in educational institutions.



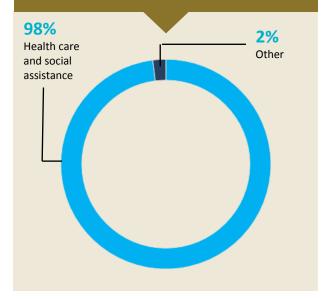
Completion of **secondary school** with on-the-job training is required.



Work Prospects (2018 - 2020): Fair



## **Employment by Industry**



## **Examples of duties performed**

- Prepare patients for dental examination and assist the dentist during the examination.
- Sterilize and maintain instruments and equipment.
- Prepare dental instruments and filling materials.
- Take and develop X-rays.
- Polish teeth and clinical crowns and apply fluoride and sealant.
- Take preliminary impressions for diagnostic casts.
- Fabricate and place temporary crowns and restorations.



## Sample Job Titles

Certified dental assistant

Registered dental assistant

Dental assistant

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Job Openings 2017-2026



\$19.75

Average Wage (per hour)

Funded by the Government of Canada and the Province of New Brunswick through the Canada-New Brunswick Labour Market Agreements.

