



Advance. Grow. Accelerate.

Career Opportunities in Federal, State and Local Government



A Career with Purpose



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Government Financial Managers...

- Implement cash management strategies for federal, state and local governments
- Direct investment activities and develop cost benefit analysis for new projects
- Advise program managers regarding impact of financial plans
- Manage and/or oversee funds for mission-focused programs
- Correct and resolve improper payments
- Oversee the preparation of financial reports
- Serve the public/give back
- Combat fraud and wasteful spending

Examples of Government Employers:

Local

- Cities
- Counties
- School Districts
- Public Works
- Boards of Education
- Finance Departments
- Special Districts
- Hospitals

State

- Comptroller's Office
- Inspectors General
- Universities
- Finance Departments
- Authorities
- Auditors

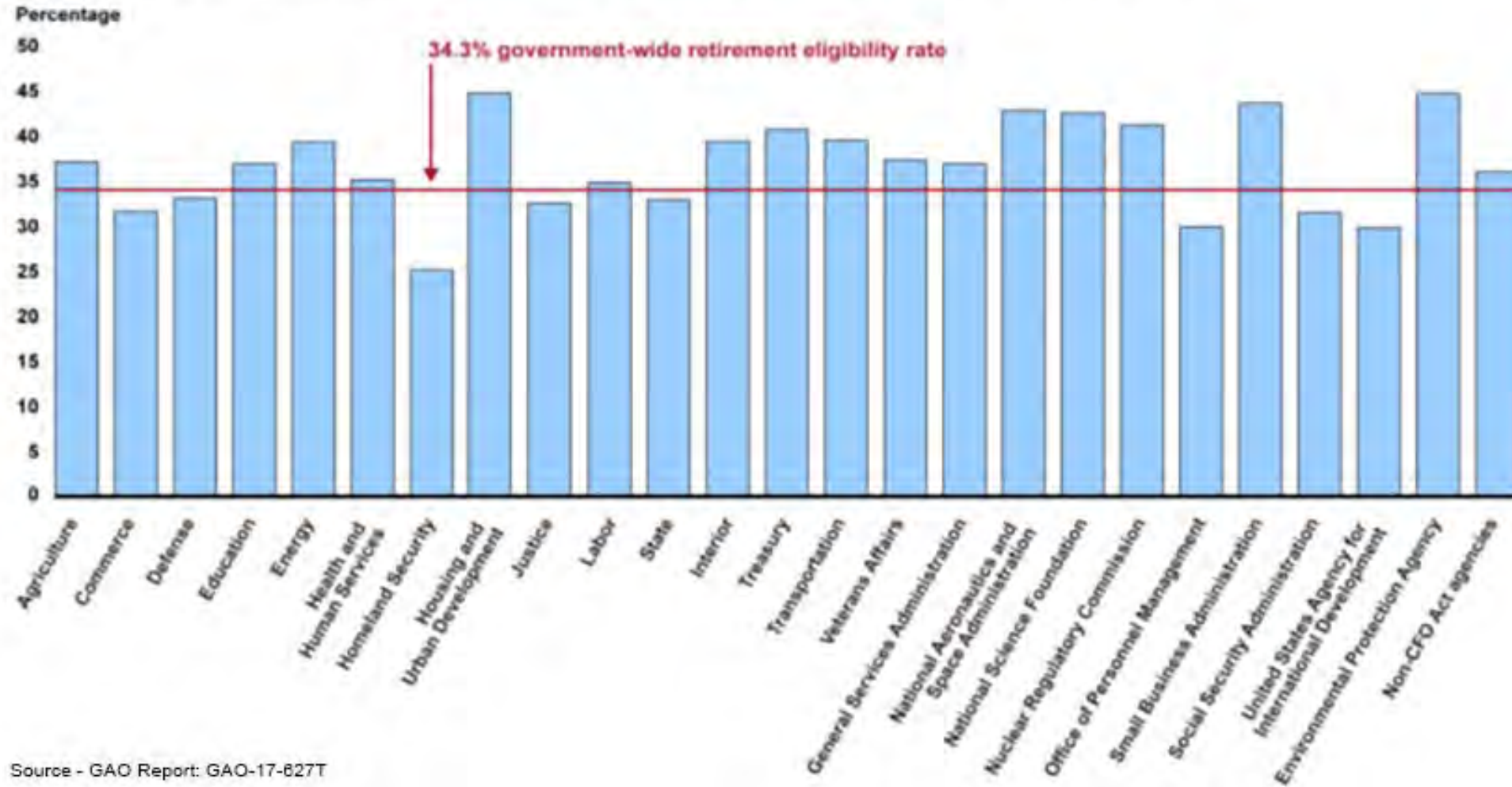
Federal

- Departments of:
 - Agriculture
 - Defense
 - Interior
 - EPA
 - State
 - Transportation
 - Treasury
- GAO
- CIA

The Retirement “Silver Tsunami”

Retirements
mean job
openings
across
government

Percentage of FY 2015 Federal Employees Eligible to Retire by FY 2020, by Department



Source - GAO Report: GAO-17-627T

Source: GAO analysis of OPM data

Top 5 Reasons Gov. FM Provides a Great Career:

1. Challenging, rewarding and fulfilling work
 - Solve problems that get reported in the press
 - Positive impact on important programs
2. Excellent benefits
3. Job availability and demand
4. Career progression
5. Job security

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Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) Program

Forgives the remaining balance on your Direct Loans

- After you have made 120 qualifying monthly payments under a qualifying repayment plan
- While working full-time for a qualifying employer

governments and
501(c)3s



Students & recent graduates

If you're a current student or recent graduate, you may be eligible for federal internships and job opportunities through the Pathways and other student programs.

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The Pathways Program offers federal internship and employment opportunities for current students, recent graduates and those with an advanced degree. There are three different paths available:

Certification





The unparalleled
advantage in
government
financial
management



Expand Your Career Options



Become a **Certified Government Financial Manager®**

Certification



- **Certified Government Financial Manager ® (CGFM®)** credential is the **ONLY** certification covering governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, internal controls and budgeting at the **federal, state and local levels**
- Demonstrates expertise in the field of government financial management
- Recognizes the unique skills and special knowledge required of today's government financial managers

Certification



Today's applicants must meet these requirements:

1. agree to abide by AGA's Code of Ethics
2. have a bachelor's degree from an accredited U.S. college or university (*exception for seniors!*)
3. have two years of experience in U.S. government financial management
4. pass three CGFM examinations (\$135 each)

Your Path to Certification



- Be within 1 year of graduation
 - Apply online to become a CGFM candidate (*\$36 for student members!*)
 - Prepare! (study guides, practice exams, virtual courses)
 - Pass three examinations (*Passing CGFM exams looks great on a resume!*)
 - Have 2 years of approved experience – internships might count!
 - ***Become a CGFM!***

Professional Associations



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Why Join a Professional Association?

- Networking opportunities (*the “who’s who” of the profession*)
- Access to membership directories, job board, mentorship program
- Access to discounted or free high-value education/training
- Privileged access to industry events and conferences
- Access to and/or ability to drive innovation, thought leadership
- Opportunity to affect the profession and help your community

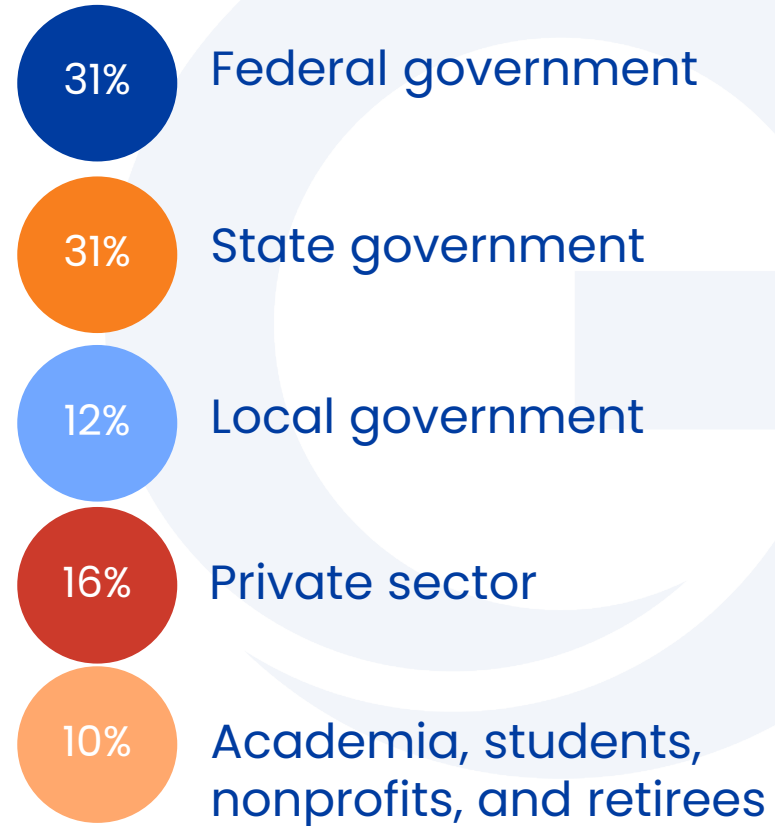
Why Your Future Employer Wants You to Join

- High value for your dues (\$0 – Student, \$45 – Young Professionals)
- AGA National events provide direct access to government leaders – federal, state and local
- Demonstrates your commitment to professional development
- Higher employee retention and morale
- Opportunities for business and leadership skill development
- Reduced cost for AGA events (CPEs), and CGFM application and renewal



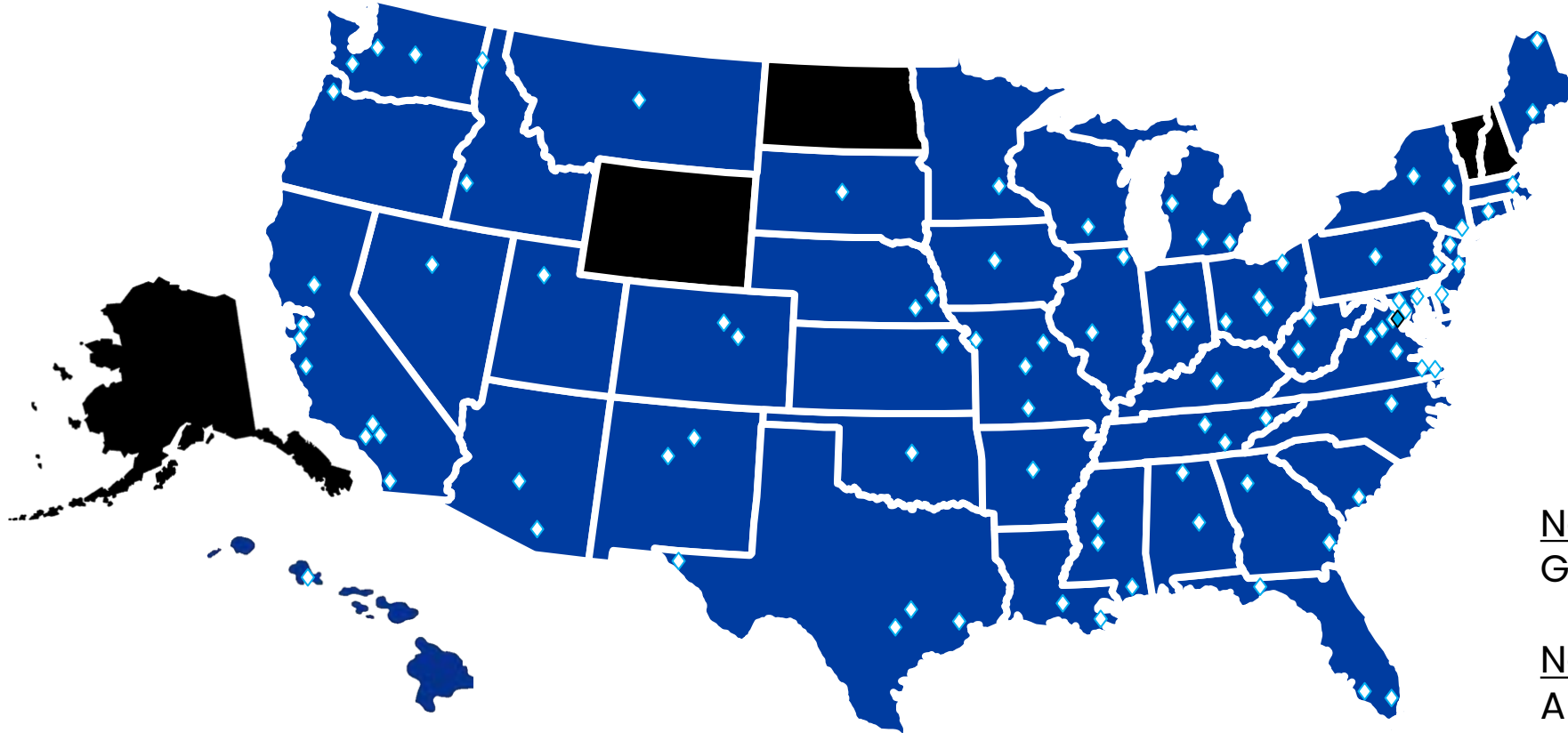
Demographics by Employer Type

AGA is the *only* association supporting more than 12,800 government financial professionals working in federal, state and local governments, as well as the private, nonprofit and academic sectors



AGA Chapters

www.agacgfm.org/chapters



Not pictured:
Guam

No Chapter:
Alaska, Wyoming,
North Dakota, New
Hampshire, Vermont

Scholarships

National Academic Scholarships

Are you or a family member pursuing undergraduate or graduate studies in disciplines such as accounting, economics, finance, information systems/technology or public administration? If so, consider applying for an AGA academic scholarship!

***Note: The 2022 application period is now closed.**

This year, AGA will award:

- **Rising college freshman:** Two scholarships (full-time)
- **Undergraduate students:** Four scholarships (full-time)
- **Graduate students:** Three scholarships (full-time or part-time)
- **Community service:** Two scholarships among any of the three categories noted above.

***All scholarships are worth \$3,000.**

Scholarships

Training Scholarships

- **National Collegiate Leadership Scholarship:**

Each year, AGA selects up to ten undergraduate students to attend the [National Leadership Training](#) (NLT) in February. Note: Application deadline is Friday, November 4, 2022, at 11:59 p.m. ET. If you have questions, contact scholarships@agacgfm.org

- **Young Professionals Training Scholarship:**

Each year, AGA selects up to ten young professionals to attend the [Professional Development Training](#) (PDT) in July. The 2023 application period is open until **Monday, May 16 at 11:59 p.m. E.T.**

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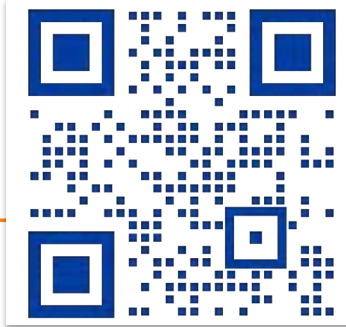
Local Chapter Scholarships

Most of AGA's local chapters have scholarship programs of their own. Check out your [chapter website](#) for more information.

- **Example Chapter Scholarship Programs:**

- [Baton Rouge Chapter](#)
- [Boston Chapter](#)
- [Guam Chapter](#)
- [Montgomery Chapter](#)
- [Trenton Chapter](#) (within newsletter)

Why Join AGA?



- **Career Coaching and Professional Community:**

- **Mentoring program:** Receive career guidance and tips, while building powerful professional relationships.
- **Local chapters:** Grow your network, gain valuable real-world experience, and secure amazing opportunities.

- **Scholarships:**

- **Academic scholarships:** Apply for graduate, undergraduate, or community service scholarships, valued at \$3,000 per year.
- **National Collegiate Leadership Scholarship:** Develop your leadership and networking skills at AGA's **National Leadership Training (NLT)** in Washington D.C.
- **Government finance case challenge:** Raise your awareness on the importance of government accountability and transparency, earning a \$1,000 scholarship per winning team member.

- **Tools and Resources:**

- **Accountability talks podcast:** Hear real life stories from government thought leaders.
- **Guest speakers:** Request a guest speaker to present on government careers in your classroom or at your student club or association.

Students join FREE!

- ★ Explore public service careers
- ★ Access the members-only job board
- ★ Build your network and find a mentor



Join today!



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Upcoming National Events



...and many more!

