



10 Most Profitable Industries

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Of course, an industry or company might be fast-growing but what's really important is if it is profitable. According to Sageworks, as expected, industries relating to construction suffered the most in 2010. The most profitable were accountants, lawyers, and healthcare professionals. They celebrated double-digit profit margins. Some of the more surprising success stories last year centered around funeral homes and child day-care services. The Sageworks list of the top 10 most profitable industries in 2010:

2010's Most Profitable Industries

Industry	Net Profit Margin % Change	Sales % Change
Accounting, Tax Preparation, Bookkeeping, and Payroll Services	18.36%	0.15%
Dentists	17.04%	7.56%
Lawyers	16.75%	4.60%
Chiropractors, Optometrists	16.14%	7.25%
Portfolio Managers, Investment Advisors	16.11%	0.33%
Physicians	13.24%	5.26%
Outpatient Care Centers	12.10%	8.76%
Death Care Services	11.87%	4.93%
Photographers, Translators	11.55%	2.57%
Child Day-Care Services	10.43%	3.31%

Source: www.sageworksinc.com

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