

When it comes to predictive astrology, much of the focus is given on the impact of the transit planets (and asteroids and other bodies) on your natal chart. But, that isn't the only thing you can focus on!

Another way to use predictive astrology is to focus on what the transit planets are doing on their own and to each other. This is super helpful if you're someone who doesn't know your time of birth (and maybe can't get it) since you can't create a full natal chart (your houses are missing). Or maybe you don't even know when or where you were born! (does happen) In which case, a natal chart is not going to be an option for you.

You may feel you need to abandon predictive astrology at that point, but this is totally an option for you. Just follow the planets and see what they're doing on their own and to each other.

This basically means you'll follow when they:

- change zodiac signs
- turn retrograde or direct
- are at specific degrees
- make major aspects to the other transit planets and bodies
- along with following new/full moons and eclipses

So let's get started!



The professional Zodiac signs are Taurus, Virgo, and Capricorn. This trio happens to be the earth signs, which are grounded, reliable, and hard working. Now that doesn't automatically mean YOU are those things if you're one of these signs, but it does mean that when any of the transit planets are touring these signs, we get super focus, along with the energy of that planet, getting poured into our professional lives.

Taurus is the sign of money, so transit planets in Taurus can impact our ability to make money, manage money, and make money decisions or transactions.

Virgo is the sign of work, so transit planets in Virgo can impact our ability to get work done, focus more on work projects, start new projects, and make progress with work. Capricorn is the sign of career and goals, so transit planets in Capricorn can impact our ability to make progress, achieve and succeed, set new goals, make important connections, and create long-term career plans.



lesson 2: the sun, mercury, venus, mars, and ceres in the professional signs

The Sun is in each of these signs around the same time each year - it's in Taurus late April to mid-May, it's in Virgo late August to mid-September, and it's in Capricorn late December to mid-January. The Sun shines a light, so each year, these are the periods when a light is shone on money matters in Taurus, work matters in Virgo, and career matters in Capricorn. Since Capricorn rules our goals, it's very fitting that each new year starts in Capricorn.

Mercury and Venus don't travel very far from the Sun, so they're often in the same sign around the same time as the Sun. Mercury brings mental energy. When Mercury is in Taurus, we can come up with financial plans and ideas; while in Virgo, we can make work plans and come up with new ideas, and while in Capricorn, we can focus on long-term plans professionally. Venus brings pleasant energy and help from others. When Venus is in Taurus, we can find it easier to deal with money matters and may benefit from others financially; while in Virgo, we may focus on work we enjoy and work well with or for others; and while in Capricorn, we may enjoy pursuing our goals and make important connections with others. The Sun, Mercury, and Venus spend around 3 weeks to 1 month in each sign each year.

Mars is the planet of energy and drive and spends about 2 months in each Zodiac sign. When Mars is in the professional signs we're energized and driven to take action professionally.

You can strive to make more money and more money plans, but may also spend more with Mars in Taurus. You can get lots of work done, make progress with work projects, and explore new work opportunities with Mars in Virgo. You can feel more ambitious, work at your goals, hit your strides, and achieve with what you've done right with Mars in Capricorn.

Ceres is the planet of nourishment, and is a dwarf planet argued to rule Taurus. I use Ceres for money matters. Ceres in the various signs can give different helpful energy for money.

Aries = more take-charge with money Taurus = naturally connects to Ceres and grounds financial energy Gemini = more money plans and ideas, quick with money decisions Cancer = more focus on money matters at home/with family, work on financial foundation

Leo = want to use money for fun or creatively

Virgo = pay close attention to financial details

Libra = use money with/for others, want to be fair with money

Scorpio = can intensely focus on money, may use it to transform or

transform money mindset, good for investing

Sagittarius = more willing to take bigger financial risks or use money for learning

Capricorn = work on long-term financial plans, can set or reach financial goals

Aquarius = more willing to experiment with money or change your approach to finances

Pisces = intuition can make financial decisions but need more money boundaries

The retrogrades of Mercury, Venus, Mars, and Ceres can also have some impact professionally when they occur in the professional signs (except Ceres, since it connects to money, so its retrograde can impact no matter what sign it's in).

A planet is called retrograde when it appears to be moving backward from our view here on Earth. The Sun and Moon don't retrograde, while Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, Pluto, and Chiron retrograde for months at a time every year. Mercury, Venus, Mars, and Ceres don't spend as long retrograde, and have a stronger impact on us. Mercury retrograde in the professional signs can make focus extremely difficult, and we have to be more careful with contracts and negotiations. Venus retrograde in the professional signs can bring laziness, stubbornness, and challenges with others. Mars retrograde in the professional signs can bring frustrations, lack of movement, impulsive behavior, and defensiveness with our work/career/money. Ceres retrograde in any of the signs can impact money, and we can feel serious lack energy with Ceres retrograde.

Retrogrades in the professional signs are good for second chances professionally though, getting a do-over, doing revisions, and reconnecting with people you've worked with or for. They can be good for going back to work for or with someone you've worked before, or in a job you've worked before.



The Moon moves the fastest of all the planets, zipping through the entire Zodiac in less than one month, so every month, the Moon goes through all 3 of these signs. The Moon spends about 2-3 days in each sign. This gives regular energy to focus on your professional life.

With the Moon, it's emotional energy, so this is where emotional focus is on those days. We're emotionally invested in money matters while in Taurus, we're emotionally invested in work while in Virgo, and we're emotionally invested in our careers and success while in Capricorn.

We can also consider new and full moons and eclipses. We have about 12-13 new moons and 12-13 full moons every year. They alternate roughly every two weeks, so we have a new moon, then a full moon about 2 weeks later, then a new moon about 2 weeks after that, then a full moon about 2 weeks after that, etc.

New moons are associated with new beginnings and are great for starting new projects and pursuing new opportunities. We can focus on positive money opportunities and developments in Taurus, on positive work developments and opportunities in Virgo, and on positive career opportunities and success in Capricorn.

Solar eclipses occur with new moons, but are only 2-4 times each year. Their energy is a lot bigger, so developments and opportunities may be bigger professionally with a solar eclipse in Taurus, Virgo, or Capricorn.

Full moons are associated with endings and culminations, and we can reap what we've sown. This can be a time of success or setbacks with our careers in Capricorn, our work lives in Virgo, or our finances in Taurus.

Lunar eclipses occur with full moons, but like solar eclipses, are only 2-4 times each year. Their energy is also a lot bigger, so success can be big, but so can the setbacks with a lunar eclipse in Taurus, Virgo, or Capricorn.



Jupiter is the planet of expansion, and this is great for opportunity. When Jupiter is in Taurus, Virgo, or Capricorn, we may see a lot more professional opportunities. Jupiter is in Taurus starting May 16th 2023 for a year, which can be helpful for financial opportunities and improvement.

Saturn is the planet that naturally rules Capricorn, so it ties to career overall. But Saturn is the planet of responsibility and lessons, so we have to do things the right way as far as Saturn is concerned, no matter what sign it's in.

Uranus is the planet of change, and is currently in Taurus, so we've got that energy for a while. This has brought energy to create changes with the way we make money, spend money, and approach money. This energy gets stronger when the Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, Mars, or Ceres is also in Taurus. Pluto is the planet of transformation, and is nearing the end of its time in Capricorn. We can finish transformations of our goals and careers, focus on what we're most passionate about professionally, and take more power and control over our professional lives.

Neptune is in the sign it rules, Pisces, which increases intuitive energy, and that can be helpful with choices.

Extra:

Aspects can have a bigger impact on our professional lives depending on which planets are involved and the signs they're in. Since Ceres is ruler of money and Saturn is ruler of career, any aspects they make can have a beneficial or challenging impact on money or career.

Aspects between Jupiter and Pluto can be helpful for financial matters; oddly, this is one of those times when the hard aspects (conjunction, square, opposition) are actually stronger and better than the easy aspects (sextile and trine).

Aspects with planets in Taurus, Virgo, or Capricorn can also impact us professionally since these are the professional signs. Challenging aspects can be challenging, while beneficial aspects can be beneficial (especially trines since the two bodies will both be in a professional sign, so this is extra beneficial for our professional lives).

I also want to point out Mars conjunct Jupiter. While Jupiter doesn't necessarily relate to anything professional, when the two meet up, this is a huge surge of energy that can be super beneficial for new ventures, new projects, and new pursuits.

To touch on a few specific degrees, there's a point called the anaretic degree, which is 29 degrees of any sign. It's the very last degree, so it's a time when we feel we have to take action while we still have the chance.

We tend to be quite motivated to act when the transit planets are anaretic.

Any planet anaretic can be helpful for taking action professionally, but especially Saturn, Ceres, and Mercury since they directly tie into our professional lives. When Ceres is anaretic, this can mean taking action with financial matters, while when Mercury is anaretic, this can mean taking action with work and work-related decisions, and when Saturn is anaretic, taking action with our goals.

There are also some fixed star positions that can be helpful when the transit planets are at these positions. Fixed star Regulus is 29 degrees 50 minutes Leo, so anaretic in Leo, and this can show great success, progress, achievement. 23 degrees 50 minutes Libra is fixed star Spica, and 14 degrees 5 minutes Cancer is fixed star Sirius, and both are associated with success and fame.