

Labor Market Information: Resources for SWP K12 Applicants

What is Labor Market Information?

The term 'labor market information' or LMI encompasses many different types of information and data points. For career education purposes, labor market information usually refers to occupation-based information and data. These can include occupational codes, job titles, skills and other descriptors such as those developed by the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA) Occupational Information Network ([O*NET](#)).

In addition, labor market information can refer to occupational employment estimates, job projections, and wage data such as those developed by the U.S. Department of Labor/Bureau of Labor Statistics (USDOL/[BLS](#)) and the California Employment Development Department/Labor Market Information Division (CA EDD/[LMID](#)).

Finally, labor market information broadly incorporates a variety of complementary information, such as information gleaned from online job marketplace postings, data compiled by industry/occupational groups/associations, and research conducted by universities or private groups, among others. Private or proprietary data sources are available too. For a fee, companies like EMSI, Chmura and Burning Glass provide access to their labor market information or tools.

Recommended Resources

The following publicly available resources are recommended for information and data gathering to inform K12 Strong Workforce Program planning.

Resource	Provider	Includes	Best for
California Career Zone	CA Department of Education	State level data by occupation for the 15 CDE recognized Industry Sectors.	Learning about the CDE Industry Sectors, which career pathways are associated with the sectors, and identifying related occupations.
Centers of Excellence for Labor Market Research	CA Community Colleges' Chancellor's Office	Labor market reports, briefs and other materials developed to inform community college career education.	Accessing curated labor market information and data by occupation, region, and education level.
LaborMarketInfo	CA Employment Development Department/ Labor Market Information Division (CA EDD/LMID)	Labor market reports, data and other materials; some content developed to inform workforce training planning.	Accessing labor market information and data by occupation, region, and education level.