You’re a student trying to research what job skills or training you need for the top 25 jobs by 2025. How do you find the right labor market information for now and the future? The labor market refers to the supply and demand for labor, in which employees provide the supply and employers provide the demand.

Our online tools and research information can help you learn about occupations, explore careers, find out about available training and needed skill sets.

Making decisions on where to work or study? We also provide county profiles and labor area summaries that can give you even more information, such as demographics, to help you plan.

THE ANSWER: www.esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo
Search our data. It’s quick, it’s easy and it’s right at your fingertips.

Learn about an occupation tool:

Click on the Labor Market Info navigation tab and select the Learn about an occupation link. This page explains the occupations in demand (OID) list which is the key component of the tool. We also provide a map tool to determine demand by county. You can go directly into the Learn about an occupation tool at: esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/learn-about-an-occupation#/search to get:

• Job descriptions
• Educational requirements
• Pay
• Employment trends and resources
• Explore careers

Find an employer tool:

Go to: https://fortress.wa.gov/esd/employmentdata/reports-publications/industry-reports/find-employers to find contact information for Washington employers. Search by area for an industry, an occupation or an employer name.

Wage and economic data reports:

Investigate wage estimates by occupation and area, employment projections and occupations in demand including skill sets at: esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/occupations.

Labor area summaries and county profiles:

Labor area summaries provide labor market information for metropolitan areas and counties in Washington state and can be found at: esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/labor-area-summaries.

The county profiles provide overviews, outlooks, labor force and unemployment, industry employment, wages and income, geographic facts, population and demographics along with many other useful links. These can be found at: esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/county-profiles.

Employer demand reports:

The employer demand reports can be found at: esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/employer-demand. This is a group of four monthly reports by county that include:

• Top 25 occupations
• Top 25 hard skills
• Top 25 certifications
• Top 25 employers

Data + analysis = informed decisions

Training and other programs at WorkSource:

Go to WorkSource to explore additional training and other programs at https://seeker.worksourcewa.com/Resources/TrainingPrograms.aspx. WorkSource provides information on E-learning, financial aid, training benefits, eligible training providers (ETP), colleges and universities and more!

Occupational outlook brochures:

The occupational outlook brochures represent the top 25 occupations and skills for Washington statewide and each of the 12 workforce development areas (WDAs). There are 13 brochures in total and can be found at: esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo.

Career Bridge:

Career Bridge is a one-stop, searchable database of education and training programs throughout Washington state. It’s also home to the state’s Eligible Training Provider (ETP) list. Students, career counselors, job seekers and others use Career Bridge at www.careerbridge.wa.gov to discover:

• Programs that are ETP eligible
• Career planning tools to decide on career choice
• Hot jobs in demand for the future
• Education and training required

CareerOneStop:

CareerOneStop is a collection of tools designed to help individuals explore career opportunities to make informed employment and education decisions. CareerOneStop can be found at: www.careeronestop.org.

Call on us!

We’re here to provide economic information and analysis you need. Find your economist at: esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo, go