WHAT’S NEW

CareerOneStop and partner Web sites continue to revise resources and integrate new technology into our core products. Highlights this quarter include:

O*NET OnLine (http://online.onetcenter.org)
Now includes new data for 100 additional occupations, bringing the total to 580 comprehensively updated occupations out of the more than 850 O*NET occupational competency profiles provided. The “Browse by O*NET Descriptor” feature in O*NET OnLine offers users the ability to browse occupations based on the importance of specific types of Knowledge, Skills, Abilities, Interests, and Work Values. Now, Work Activities, or tasks performed across occupations, have been added to this set as a new searchable descriptor. Learn more about what’s new with O*NET at (http://www.onetcenter.org/whatsnew.html).

Career Exploration (www.CareerInfoNet.org/explore)
Exploring careers and finding jobs can be an overwhelming experience. Now, use the improved Career Exploration tool to tackle the career exploration process in five manageable steps: assess yourself, explore career options, gain skills, find a job, and manage your career. Each step provides guidance as well as links to relevant resources.

Find more than 4,000 links to career and employment-related resources (now merged with the former Reading Room). Search this large collection of Web site links and articles by topic, keyword, or audience including students, military, older workers, and other groups. Check back often for continually added resources.

Career Videos (www.careervideos.org)
Find health care Career Videos, as well as related resources, en español. Additional Spanish videos are available on the Career InfoNet home page (www.CareerInfoNet.org).


SPOTLIGHT

What does it mean when someone says an occupation or industry is “in demand?”

Should you seek out in-demand occupations in your job search? What resources can help investigate these industries and occupations? Find answers to these questions on page 2.
What does “in demand” mean?

In 2003, President Bush laid out the groundwork for his High Growth Job Training Initiative. Fourteen industries were identified as High Growth because they were projected to add substantial numbers of new jobs, affect the growth of other industries, or be transformed by technology and innovation. Within these industries, in-demand occupations were identified as those with an increasing number of job opportunities available into the future. Read more about the President’s High Growth Job Training Initiative (www.doleta.gov/BRG/JobTrainInitiative).

How does “in demand” fit with exploring careers and finding jobs?

Exploring careers means answering a lot of questions. What are my interests? What skills do I have? What do different occupations pay? What training or education do I need? In what types of settings do I want to work? In addition to these questions, many people want to know about job prospects. What are the hot jobs? Which jobs will remain necessary in the future? These hot jobs are the in-demand occupations. Exploring in-demand occupations helps job seekers make informed decisions about which jobs will still be around in the future.

In-demand occupations are important to the American economy as well. To thrive, the economy needs workers who are trained and skilled for the jobs of the future.

Where can I find “in-demand” resources?

Explore the resources below if you are interested in learning more about in-demand occupations and industries:

- **Career Voyages** (www.CareerVoyages.org)
  The Career Voyages Web site encourages students and parents to explore the hottest jobs of tomorrow. Fourteen High Growth emerging industries, along with their corresponding in-demand occupations, are profiled. Users can view career videos, learn about the skills needed on the job, and find the education and training requirements for the profiled in-demand opportunities. Career Voyages also offers the magazine. Each issue profiles a different High Growth industry. is geared toward students, but is also useful for guidance counselors, parents, and teachers.

- **America’s Career InfoNet** (www.CareerInfoNet.org)
  This comprehensive resource allows users to access a wealth of information available for each occupation. The Web site provides national, state, and local career information and labor market data, as well as reports to find the fastest-growing and highest-paying occupations and industries. In addition, users can explore licenses, certifications, employers, articles, and more to help make informed decisions about their future. Explore the “Occupation Information” and “Industry Information” sections to learn more.

- **Occupational Information Network (O*NET) OnLine** (http://online.onetcenter.org/)
  Is a detailed resource describing occupational characteristics and requirements, including skills, knowledge, work activities, and more. The O*NET OnLine Web site allows users to access a wealth of information available for each occupation. In searching for occupations, O*NET OnLine now offers users the option to browse occupations by high-growth industry. Throughout the site, individual occupations considered to be in demand are also marked with an logo.
SOLUTIONS

Need help dealing with a large layoff?

Designed and developed for the U.S. Department of Labor’s Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA), the Worker Transition Coach (www.WorkerTransition-Coach.org) is a unique, Web-based tool designed to help workers and workforce development professionals respond to a company layoff.

The Worker Transition Coach sits along the side of the CareerOneStop Web site in the form of an instructional right-hand sidebar. To help workers and workforce development professionals respond rapidly to a company layoff, this valuable tool guides users to the federal, state, and local government support services outlined on CareerOneStop and other Web sites.

OTHER RESOURCES

Looking for hot jobs?

Visit Career Voyages (www.CareerVoyages.org) to find the 25 occupations projected to grow fastest in your state.

Get the facts with one simple click of the mouse at Career Voyages hot careers (www.CareerVoyages.org/hotcareers-main.cfm). Find the occupations with the highest annual job openings and largest employee needs for each state. Also view typical education and training requirements as well as whether the jobs fall in a High Growth industry.

Learn more about the occupations that require four-year degrees and the ones that don’t. Quickly compare openings for the hottest positions across the United States.

Spread the word—you can even download data into spreadsheets or PDFs.

Apply your knowledge by easily exploring education options including apprenticeships, community and technical colleges, four-year colleges, and more training opportunities.

EVENTS

CareerOneStop is presenting and exhibiting at the following national conferences:

Mid-West Multi-Regional Employment & Training Conference
October 2-6, 2006
Dallas, TX

National Council for Workforce Education (NCWE)
October 21-24, 2006
Albuquerque, NM

National Tech Prep Network (NTPN)
November 1-4, 2006
Dallas, TX

International Career Development Conference
November 1-5, 2006
Santa Clara, CA

Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE)
November 30 - December 2, 2006
Atlanta, GA

COMING SOON

Users will soon find a What’s New link from CareerOneStop’s Newsroom to find more information on recent and planned updates.

Check back soon for updated content and resources for transitioning military and veterans, education and training finder, dislocated workers, and other core CareerOneStop user groups.

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