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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Demand and Supply Analysis: Orange County

#### INTRODUCTION

Orange County's nine community colleges and one noncredit school have a long history of serving the region by teaching students the skills and helping them earn the awards necessary to satisfy the region's industry demand for qualified workers in a widerange of occupations. However, while there currently are a number of funding initiatives supporting career education, there is always a finite amount of resources – physical and human as well as financial. The Orange County region is committed to strategically using all of the resources at its disposal to address its current supply gap of 47,040 awards. Furthermore, Orange County wants to focus investments that will continue to see outcomes in the future. To this end, the Orange County Center of Excellence for Labor Market Research (COE) embarked on an almost year-long research project, the Orange County Sector Analysis Project, to combine quantitative labor market demand and supply data with qualitative insights from the region's community college experts – its faculty and administrators – in order to produce a series of briefs that identifies areas of opportunity for the region to positively impact its supply gap.

This executive summary is a product of the Orange County Sector Analysis Project. It provides labor market information about eight –six emerging and two priority– sectors. Orange County's six priority sectors include:

- Advanced Transportation and Logistics
- Business and Entrepreneurship
- Energy, Construction and Utilities

- Health
- ICT and Digital Media
- Retail, Hospitality and Tourism

The two emerging Orange County sectors are:

Advanced Manufacturing

Life Sciences and Biotechnology

In addition to this Executive Summary, a brief for each of the eight sectors was completed that compares labor market demand with educational program supply for middle-skill jobs and provides qualitative information from experts in the field. Orange County community colleges could use the information in these reports for strategic planning and discussions about program development, career pathways work, sector strategies, noncredit-to-credit pipelines, apprenticeship programs, and work-based learning opportunities.

All of the Orange County Sector Analysis Project briefs began with quantitative labor market demand and supply analysis; however, they also include qualitative information derived from the project's focus group discussions. Between July and August 2019, the Orange County Center of Excellence for Labor Market Research (COE) hosted a total of 12 sector-specific focus groups with regional stakeholders, including faculty and deans, as well as regional and state directors for employer engagement. Four of the sectors: Business & Entrepreneurship, Energy, Construction & Utilities, ICT/Digital Media, and Retail, Hospitality & Tourism had two focus groups each in order to accommodate participants' scheduling needs. The objectives of the focus groups were to identify labor market supply gaps (supply gaps) in middle-skill jobs; understand where programs exist or do not exist to fill in the supply gaps; and discuss how Orange County's community colleges could close the supply gaps. Focus group participants reviewed the demand and supply analysis prior to meeting and provided intelligence regarding how they are working to close supply gaps as well as the challenges they encounter in their programs; this valuable information could not be captured via traditional labor market research methods. The COE recorded then analyzed these discussions which resulted in the "Focus Group Insights" sections throughout this brief, supplementing traditional, quantitative labor market data with important, qualitative information.

# Middle-Skill Jobs and Living Wage Introduction

For the Orange County Sector Analysis Project, middle-skill jobs include: all occupations that require an educational requirement of some college, associate degree or apprenticeship; all occupations that require a bachelor's degree, but also have more than one-third of their existing labor force with an educational attainment of some college or associate degree; or all occupations that require a high school diploma or equivalent or no formal education, but also require short- to long-term on-the-job training.



For the Orange County Sector Analysis Project, top middle-skill jobs are defined as jobs that have both the most labor market demand (annual job openings) and entry-level wages at or above the California Family Needs Calculator<sup>1</sup> (commonly known as a "living wage"). The living wage is the hourly wage that a single adult needs to earn in order to meet basic needs in Orange County, and is currently \$17.39 per hour. The living wage is defined by the California Family Needs Calculator, which calculates the income necessary to cover costs including housing, food, transportation, health care, and other basic necessities.

Entry-level wage is defined as the 25th percentile hourly wage, which means that 25% of all workers in that occupation earn equal to or below this amount. Percentile wages represent the distribution of wages for each occupation. Generally, workers with minimal education and experience can expect to earn wages near the 10th percentile. With the additional education and training students receive in community college programs, they are more likely to earn wages at the 25th percentile, rather than the 10th percentile. Generally, with even more education and experience, students could expect to progress and earn the median wage, which is defined as the 50th percentile hourly wage.

#### **Demand Introduction**

For the purpose of these reports, labor market demand is determined by the number of annual job openings employers expect to fill due to job growth and employee turnover between 2018 and 2023. Job growth is when an employer experiences increased demand for products and hires new employees to increase production, while employee turnover is when an employer hires replacement workers for employees who leave the workforce or change occupations.

# **Supply Introduction**

Supply is determined by the average annual-number of related awards (e.g., certificates, degrees) generated between 2015 and 2017 by the region's community colleges and other educational institutions (e.g., private providers) for the purpose of this report. However, it should be noted that a student may earn more than one award; therefore, supply may be overestimated for certain occupations.

Whether or not there is a supply gap is determined by the difference between the demand and supply. The methodology regarding how these numbers are calculated is described in Appendix A for each of the sector briefs.

#### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

The sector focus groups included 65 unique participants representing the Orange County community college region. There was a total of 35 faculty – two counselors and 33 academic – and 20 administrators, from all 10 educational institutions – nine community colleges and one noncredit school – that offered career education programs in Orange County between 2015 and 2017. Additionally, there were 10 directors for employer engagement – all seven regional plus three statewide directors who also attended the focus groups. Some participants attended more than one focus group. Faculty were able to attend up to two focus groups and some administrators attended up to three sessions.

Focus group participants identified several data limitations, challenges in expanding programs, and other issues that were common across multiple sectors. These cross-sector, common themes are expanded on and explained in further detail in this standalone Orange County Sector Analysis Project Executive Summary report. Focus group participants also reported on limitations and challenges that were unique to individual sectors. Sector-specific information is highlighted throughout each of the eight sector briefs. In both the Executive Summary as well as the individual sector briefs, the qualitative information is highlighted in the green Focus Group Insights and the Focus Group Insights – The Big Picture sections.

#### **Reporting Limitations and Data Quality Issues**

Focus group participants in all sectors agreed that supply data from traditional labor market information is limited; it does not capture awards from programs that do not report outcomes data to the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) or to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), including, but not limited to:

- Locally-issued certificate programs,
- Fee-based (not-for-credit) programs,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://insightcced.org/2018-family-needs-calculator/



- Contracted education (or customized training) programs, and
- Nonprofit programs offered in the community outside of postsecondary education.

Focus group participants indicated that a supply-data-collection system does not currently exist for all these programs, and suggested that the supply numbers are underestimated across all sectors. Focus group participants in each of the sectors also said that their programs attract industry professionals who are interested in upskilling or learning new skills for their current jobs. However, the supply data does not capture students that take a small number of courses to gain additional skills if colleges do not report data for local low-unit certificate programs. This could result in an under-reporting of the supply number.

Additionally, there is a lag in reporting supply data to the CCCCO; therefore, recently created programs will not be represented in traditional labor market information either.

#### **Low Completion Numbers**

According to the demand and supply exhibits (Exhibits 1, 2, 3, and 4), the community colleges in Orange County are undersupplying for both types of jobs analyzed in this brief: 1) top middle-skill jobs and 2) jobs that have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator (CFNC), but have median wages above the CFNC. According to the CCCCO LaunchBoard<sup>2</sup>, 127,556 (unduplicated) students took one or more CTE courses across all programs in Program Year 2016-17. However, in that same year, only 8,423 students earned a certificate or degree.

Focus group participants provided the following explanations as to some of the reasons why supply numbers are so low:

- Because programs in all sectors tend to attract industry professionals, students may drop out or withdraw from a program before completion because they learned what they needed to learn and returned to their jobs.
- In order to close so many supply gaps, companies may also hire students before they complete their programs as long as they have the foundational skills needed for the job. Once hired, companies could then provide training specific to their policies and procedures.
- Students may decide that instead of just obtaining an associate degree, they would rather transfer to a four-year
  institution because employers typically list "bachelor's degree" as the minimum educational requirement for many
  occupations. During this transition, if the student does not complete the necessary paperwork to be issued their
  associate degree, then even though they may have earned it, there is no official award to be counted.

Faculty and administrators shared that although completion numbers appeared low, they know that many non-completers have positive employment outcomes from the stories shared with them by their former students. Some faculty members said that they are developing internal tracking systems to identify non-completers in order to track student outcomes. However, the CTE Outcomes Survey (CTEOS) is already tracking this information and could help colleges better understand outcomes for students who leave a program before completing a degree or certificate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.calpassplus.org/LaunchBoard/Home.aspx



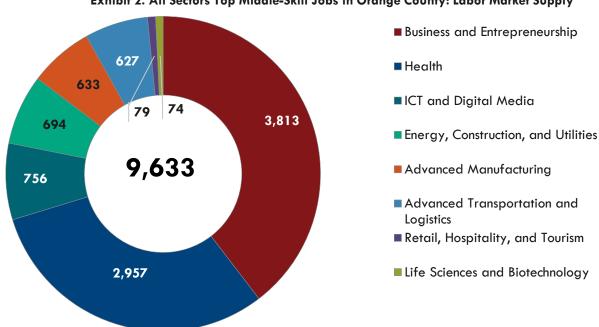
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# ORANGE COUNTY'S TOP MIDDLE-SKILL IOBS

Comparing Orange County's labor market demand for the top middle-skill jobs, those with entry-level wages<sup>3</sup> higher than the \$17.39 per hour living wage, in all sectors with program supply from the region's community colleges and non-community college providers (Exhibits 1 and 2) results in an overarching supply gap of 19,069. Business and Entrepreneurship has both the largest demand and supply of all eight sectors; however, it accounts for 48% (9,157) of the supply gap for top middle-skill jobs in Orange County. While Energy, Construction, and Utilities has the second largest demand, it has the fourth largest supply which equals a supply gap of 22% (4,204) of the top middle-skill jobs in Orange County.

Exhibit 1. All Sectors Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County: Labor Market Demand ■ Business and Entrepreneurship 944894 ■ Energy, Construction, and Utilities 1,879 ■ Health 179 3,174 12,970 ■ICT and Digital Media 28,702 Advanced Manufacturing 3,764 ■ Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism Advanced Transportation and Logistics 4,898 ■ Life Sciences and Biotechnology

Exhibit 2. All Sectors Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County: Labor Market Supply



<sup>3</sup> In this report, entry-level wage is defined as the 25th percentile hourly wage, which means that 25% of all workers in the field earn equal to or below this amount.



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Exhibit 3 shows entry-level and median wages for the top 20 middle-skill jobs by number of annual openings across all sectors. The entry-level wages for these top middle-skill jobs are higher than the \$17.39 per hour living wage. Of these occupations, nine are in the Business and Entrepreneurship sector, five are in the Energy, Construction, and Utilities sector, and two each are in the ICT and Digital Media as well as the Health sectors, and one each are in the Advanced Manufacturing as well as the Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism sectors. There are only two sectors – Advanced Transportation and Logistics as well as Life Sciences and Biotechnology – that are not represented in the top 20 occupations.

Exhibit 3. Top 20 Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County Across All Sectors: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Sector	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
43-3031	Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	Business and Entrepreneurship	2,383	\$1 <i>7</i> .61	\$22.05
41-3099	Sales Representatives, Services, All Other	Business and Entrepreneurship	2,009	\$18.32	\$26.33
43-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers	Business and Entrepreneurship	1,986	\$18.32	\$26.33
29-1141	Registered Nurses	Health	1,783	\$32.88	\$42.47
41-3021	Insurance Sales Agents	Business and Entrepreneurship	1,216	\$1 <i>7.</i> 50	\$23.63
47-2111	Electricians	Energy, Construction, and Utilities	1,178	\$1 <i>7</i> .93	\$26.22
47-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers	Energy, Construction, and Utilities	1,044	\$26.88	\$36.62
47-2152	Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	Energy, Construction, and Utilities	955	\$17.52	\$24.89
13-2072	Loan Officers	Business and Entrepreneurship	844	\$18.53	\$30.89
43-6011	Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	Business and Entrepreneurship	779	\$25.93	\$31.80
15-1151	Computer User Support Specialists	ICT and Digital Media	765	\$21.70	\$26.86
39-9031	Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors	Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism	739	\$17.45	\$20.97
29-2061	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	Health	652	\$20.63	\$25.57
41-9022	Real Estate Sales Agents	Business and Entrepreneurship	648	\$19.12	\$20.16
49-9071	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	Advanced Manufacturing	620	\$19.57	\$26.77
11-9021	Construction Managers	Energy, Construction, and Utilities	543	\$20.89	\$41.93
11-3011	Administrative Services Managers	Business and Entrepreneurship	471	\$41.40	\$55.21
11-9141	Property, Real Estate, and Community Association Managers	Business and Entrepreneurship	455	\$20.64	\$26.36
49-9021	Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	Energy, Construction, and Utilities	418	\$1 <i>7.57</i>	\$23.85
15-1199	Computer Occupations, All Other	ICT and Digital Media	408	\$27.90	\$40.40



# ORANGE COUNTY'S MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS WITH ENTRY-LEVEL WAGES BELOW CALIFORNIA FAMILY NEEDS CALCULATOR

While it is important to understand which top middle-skill jobs across the sectors have opportunities for increased program supply, it is also important to consider middle-skill occupations that have entry-level wages below the regional living wage, but median wages near or above it. Since wages generally increase from entry-level to median earnings with additional experience and training, students could potentially earn self-sustaining wages with additional apprenticeship or work-based learning opportunities.

As seen in Exhibits 4 and 5, middle-skill jobs with entry-level wages below the regional living wage have more annual job openings (labor market demand) than the top-middle skill jobs, but program supply from Orange County educational institutions is lower. Program supply for these occupations is particularly low for the Energy, Construction, and Utilities (eight awards) and Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism (25 awards) sectors.

Exhibit 4. All Sectors Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Wages Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County: Labor Market Demand

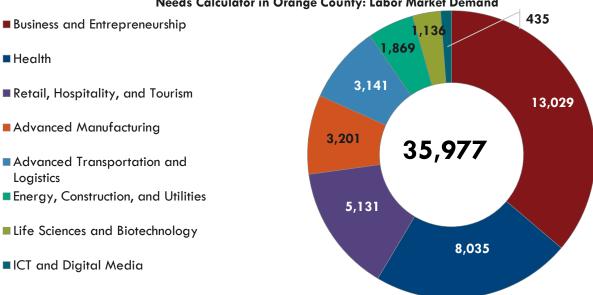


Exhibit 5. All Sectors Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Wages Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County: Labor Market Supply

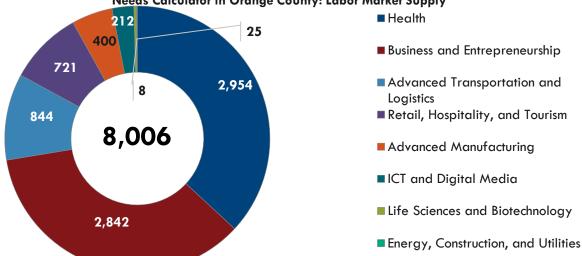




Exhibit 6 shows entry-level and median wages for the top 20 jobs with entry-level wages below the regional living wage by number of annual openings across all sectors. While these occupations have entry-level wages below the \$17.39 per hour California Family Needs Calculator, occupations such as Customer Service Representatives, Carpenters, Nursing Assistants, and Dental Assistants have median wages higher than the regional living wage, as denoted by the gray shading in Exhibit 4. Of these occupations, six each are in the Business and Entrepreneurship and Health sectors, three are in the Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism sector, one each in the Advanced Manufacturing, Advanced Transportation and Logistics, Energy, Construction, and Utilities, and Life Sciences and Biotechnology sectors.

Exhibit 6. 20 All-Sectors Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Earnings Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Sector	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
43-4051	Customer Service Representatives	Business and Entrepreneurship	3,453	\$14.58	\$1 <i>7</i> .83
43-6014	Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	Business and Entrepreneurship	2,835	\$15.69	\$19.66
41-4012	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products	Business and Entrepreneurship	1 <i>,77</i> 0	\$17.38	\$25.34
41-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism	1,488	\$13.15	\$16.63
35-1012	First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism	1,486	\$12.60	\$1 <i>5</i> .01
49-9071	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	Advanced Manufacturing	1,474	\$15.51	\$19.18
47-2031	Carpenters	Energy, Construction, and Utilities	1,470	\$14.75	\$21.72
31-9092	Medical Assistants	Health	1,305	\$13.86	\$16.72
43-6013	Medical Secretaries	Health	1,164	\$14.67	\$17.76
31-1014	Nursing Assistants	Health	1,130	\$12.62	\$14.24
53-3032	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	Advanced Transportation and Logistics	1,093	\$16.95	\$20.85
39-5012	Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists	Business and Entrepreneurship	1,079	\$11.55	\$12.00
51-9061	Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	Life Sciences and Biotechnology	884	\$14.46	\$18.78
31-1011	Home Health Aides	Health	853	\$11.07	\$12.12
31-9091	Dental Assistants	Health	773	\$14.70	\$17.18
43-4131	Loan Interviewers and Clerks	Business and Entrepreneurship	734	\$14.54	\$20.22
49-3023	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	Advanced Transportation and Logistics	721	\$11.94	\$16.74
31-9011	Massage Therapists	Health	711	\$11.92	\$14.08
39-9032	Recreation Workers	Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism	698	\$11.1 <i>7</i>	\$12.35
43-3071	Tellers	Business and Entrepreneurship	628	\$12.61	\$14.09



#### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS - THE BIG PICTURE**

Focus group participants addressed issues and challenges that cannot be captured by traditional labor market information. They also provided insight on the tactics colleges and employers are currently using to address supply gaps in all sectors.

#### **Challenges in Expanding Programs**

Focus group participants acknowledged the supply gaps for occupations across all sectors, but also reported several challenges at the community colleges in expanding programs to close the gaps:

#### Lack and cost of space and equipment

- Focus group participants conveyed that certain courses and programs are at capacity due to lack of physical space –
  especially for those that require lab classrooms. Much of the equipment for programs in all sectors tend to be large in
  size and require a significant amount of space. Even if companies are willing to donate machinery or other equipment,
  not all community college facilities have enough space to house it. In order to increase capacity, the community
  colleges would have to invest in developing new or expanding current facilities to accommodate training equipment.
- Additionally, resources for equipment repair and maintenance may fluctuate from year to year. While a college may
  use Strong Workforce Program (SWP) funds one year to purchase equipment and space, funding in subsequent years
  may decline, which would affect future equipment maintenance and repair.

#### Lack of qualified faculty

- Focus group participants in all sectors shared that it can be difficult to hire program-specific faculty Despite the fact
  that colleges would have to hire additional qualified staff in order to increase program capacity, finding qualified
  staff can be challenging. Focus group participants reported that the private sector often pays higher wages and
  offers more consistent hours and schedules than the community colleges, so potential candidates prefer to continue
  working in the private sector.
- Another challenge in staffing is the lack of teaching experience. Industry professionals may have a lot of work experience and be experts in their respective fields; however, not all industry professionals know how to appropriately and/or engagingly teach curriculum in the classroom.

#### Long program development/curriculum approval timelines

Jobs and companies in all sectors are constantly affected by changes in technology. While the community colleges attempt to meet employers' demand for skills in a timely manner, developing new—or changing existing—programs and/or curriculum takes a significant amount of time to accomplish. In many cases, companies are not interested in partnering with community colleges to develop new programs or curriculum because creating a new program can take anywhere from one to two years. Companies cannot wait that long to get qualified workers according to the focus group participants.

#### **Skills and Certifications**

According to the focus group participants, many skills taught in community college career education programs are transferable and are not exclusive to a single/particular job. For example, the Advanced Manufacturing and Energy, Construction, and Utilities focus group participants shared that these two sectors are intersecting and overlapping due to technological advances. Additionally, faculty and administrators in the Life Sciences and Biotechnology shared that many skills taught in programs for quality assurance or quality control jobs can be used in other sectors such as the food and beverage industry or Advanced Manufacturing.

Focus group participants in all sectors said that Orange County community colleges provide numerous courses that are designed to add a skill or set of skills, but do not fully train for a specific occupation. Since this report uses awards as the measurement for supply, these courses are not captured in the data. In some sectors, such as Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism, faculty and administrators also said, in their experience, employers tend to hire based on skills, rather than degrees and certificates. Gaining a better understanding of the knowledge, skills, and abilities (also known as "KSAs") employers request for specific jobs could be useful for Orange County's community colleges.



Additionally, focus group participants identified dozens of state licenses or third-party certifications for which their programs train. One sector, Health, has a large number of occupations that require a state license. In all other sectors, third-party certifications such as those offered by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE), CompTIA, and ServSafe, provide another way for students to demonstrate skill attainment. However, focus group participants noted that it is difficult to determine the actual value of these certifications by employers and that they can be cost prohibitive for students.

#### **Creative Ways Community Colleges are Offering Programs**

Focus group participants in all sectors discussed several creative ways they are offering programs and some of the challenges they face when developing new means to offer them:

- All colleges are strategically scheduling in-person, hybrid, and online courses to accommodate a variety of students.
   Generally, offering career education courses in the evenings has been most successful, as evening classes allow working professionals to work during the day and take classes at night.
- In nearly all sectors, colleges currently have, or are in the process of developing, dual enrollment programs with K-12 partners within their service area. Focus group participants said that dual enrollment provides benefits for both the community colleges and high school students. Community colleges are able to make students aware of career education programs and get students acclimated to college-level coursework while they are still in high school and while able to earn college credit for free.
- Several colleges are working with local employers to develop internship programs in nearly all sectors. Some colleges
  currently have robust internship programs and plan to expand these programs due to past successes. However, focus
  group participants also noted that maintaining relationships with employers can be time consuming and difficult.

#### **New Programs**

Faculty and administrators identified dozens of new credit and noncredit programs that they are either in the process of creating or plan to create in the near future for all sectors. Several of these programs will address new and emerging areas such as automation, cybersecurity, data analytics, and environmental sustainability. Other programs, such as Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), accounting and bookkeeping, and retail sales, will focus on traditional occupations that currently have supply gaps.



# KEY FINDINGS: ORANGE COUNTY'S EIGHT PRIORITY AND EMERGING SECTORS

Based on the demand and supply data, as well as the focus group insights analyzed in this brief, the COE identified the following key research findings and recommendations:

# **Demand and Supply Key Findings**

64,679

17,639

47,040

annual job openings (labor market demand) average annual program awards (labor market supply)

supply gap (number of awards needed to close the gap)

# **Focus Group Key Findings and Recommendations**

# **Key Finding**

1. Retention and success rates are high for courses in all sectors, but program completion numbers are low: Community colleges in Orange County are undersupplying for middle-skill jobs in all sectors. Nearly 6.7% of all students enrolled in CTE programs completed a degree or certificate in the 2016-2017 academic year. Students often take one or two courses to gain additional skills, then exit the community college system or they find a job before completing their program. These explanations suggest that some programs may be overdesigned, meaning that they require more courses than necessary for students to gain the needed skills to obtain employment.

#### Recommendation

To increase completion rates of students in CTE programs, colleges could re-work overdesigned programs or consider moving these programs to enhanced noncredit. Noncredit certificates are included in the Strong Workforce Program (SWP) metrics, Student Success metrics, and the Vision for Success. Enhanced noncredit programs could be a way to satisfy student needs for shortterm programs and still benefit colleges. Additionally, college faculty, deans, and the Regional Directors for Employer Engagement for each sector should review program and course data to determine the specific barriers that prevent students from successfully completing a program (e.g., challenging introductory courses and differing prerequisites across colleges for higher level courses). SWP funds could be invested at the college level to address students' specific barriers to course/program retention and completion.

# **Key Finding**

2. Tracking employment outcomes for students is difficult, time consuming, and not consistent across all colleges: Several faculty and administrators shared stories about individual students with successful employment outcomes, but reported that it is difficult to track outcomes for all students. Tracking outcomes for students that took one or two classes but did not complete a degree or certificate is particularly difficult.

- 3. Orange County community colleges face similar challenges to expanding programs across all colleges: Orange County community colleges have courses and programs that are at capacity due to a lack of physical lab space. They also do not have steady and ongoing financial resources for new equipment and maintenance for that equipment. Additionally, community colleges have trouble finding industry professionals with teaching experience and face long program development and curriculum approval timelines, making it difficult to quickly respond to employer needs and rapid changes in economic conditions, such as those posed by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic. These challenges hinder the community colleges' ability to increase program capacity and close supply gaps.
- 4. Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSAs) for the sector have not been validated by employers: The OC Sector Analysis Project brief examines job gaps but does not explore the specific KSAs taught at the colleges and compare them to the labor market's demand for KSAs.

#### Recommendation

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# ADVANCED MANUFACTURING

Demand and Supply Analysis

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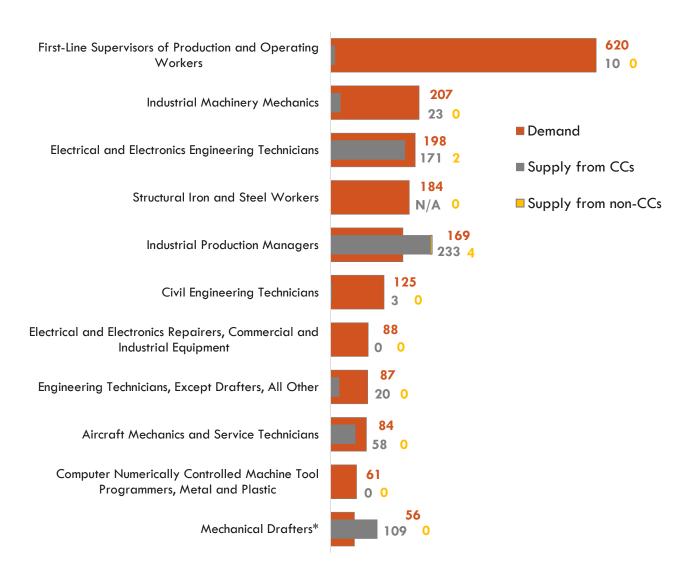
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# ADVANCED MANUFACTURING TOP MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS

This section compares Orange County's labor market demand for the top middle-skill jobs in Advanced Manufacturing with program supply from the region's community colleges and non-community college providers (Exhibit 1). As seen in Exhibit 2, the entry-level wages<sup>5</sup> for these top middle-skill jobs are higher than the \$17.39 per hour living wage. Descriptions for each occupational title can be found in Appendix B. Detailed supply and demand data analyzed for each occupation, including supply numbers by institutions is included in Appendix C.

Exhibit 1. Advanced Manufacturing Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County:
Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply



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#### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

#### **Local Low-Unit Certificates**

The Advanced Manufacturing sector focus group participants felt that supply data from traditional labor market information is limited; it does not capture locally issued low-unit certificates that are not reported to, or approved by, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO). According to focus group participants, Advanced Manufacturing programs attract industry professionals who are interested in upskilling or learning new skills for their current jobs. However, the supply data does not capture students that take a small number of courses to gain additional skills if colleges do not report data for low-unit certificate programs. This could result in an under-reporting of the supply number.

#### **Challenges in Identifying Supply for Management Positions**

This brief analyzes labor market demand and supply data for the Advanced Manufacturing sector, using occupational codes from the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system for demand data and program codes from the Taxonomy of Programs (TOP) and Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) systems for supply data (see Appendix A for more information). However, matching SOC codes to TOP and CIP codes has its limitations, particularly for management positions. Focus group participants pointed out that the TOP codes associated with the Industrial Production Managers occupation train for various managerial occupations, not just Industrial Production Managers. For this reason, the program supply numbers for Industrial Production Managers is likely overstated.

#### **Low Completion Numbers**

Focus group participants indicated that supply numbers for programs that actually report awards to the CCCCO are lower than expected. Manufacturing courses in Orange County tend to have high retention and success rates (91% and 82%,

respectively, for all colleges, according to the CCCCO's dashboard tool, LaunchBoard o); however, completion numbers for certificates and degrees appear low. Focus group participants said that students may take one or two courses and exit the community college system without actually receiving a certificate or degree. Focus group participants agreed that it is very

"We know these programs are overdesigned, but it takes a long time to undo what already exists."

Orange Coast College Administrator

common for students to be hired before they complete a program. These explanations suggest that some programs may be overdesigned, meaning that programs require more courses than necessary for students to gain the necessary skills to obtain employment. An Orange Coast College administrator acknowledged that programs could be overdesigned, but pointed out that the Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF)<sup>7</sup> incentivizes awards by weighing the number of points for degrees and certificates higher than other metrics, such as the completion of nine or more CTE units or attainment of the regional living wage. Colleges could still re-work overdesigned programs or consider moving these programs to enhanced noncredit, where the dollar per career development/college preparatory (CDCP) FTES has increased and is now the same as it is for credit. Additionally, noncredit certificates are included in the Strong Workforce Program metrics, Student Success Metrics, and Vision for Success.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> https://www.cccco.edu/About-Us/Chancellors-Office/Divisions/College-Finance-and-Facilities-Planning/Student-Centered-Funding-Formula



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> https://www.calpassplus.org/LaunchBoard/Community-College-Pipeline.aspx

## **ADVANCED MANUFACTURING**

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Exhibit 2. Advanced Manufacturing Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
49-9071	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	620	\$19.57	\$26.77
51-4041	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	207	\$19.18	\$24.48
51-4121	Electrical and Electronics Engineering Technicians	198	\$18.92	\$26.08
51-5112	Structural Iron and Steel Workers	184	\$25.22	\$35.91
51-4011	Industrial Production Managers	169	\$34.19	\$46.47
47-2211	Civil Engineering Technicians	125	\$24.28	\$31.56
51-9195	Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment	88	\$21.22	\$25.36
17-3029	Engineering Technicians, Except Drafters, All Other	87	\$21.64	\$28.24
49-3011	Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	84	\$24.22	\$29.94
51-4012	Computer Numerically Controlled Machine Tool Programmers, Metal and Plastic	61	\$20.34	\$26.7 <i>5</i>
17-3013	Mechanical Drafters	56	\$22.58	\$27.61



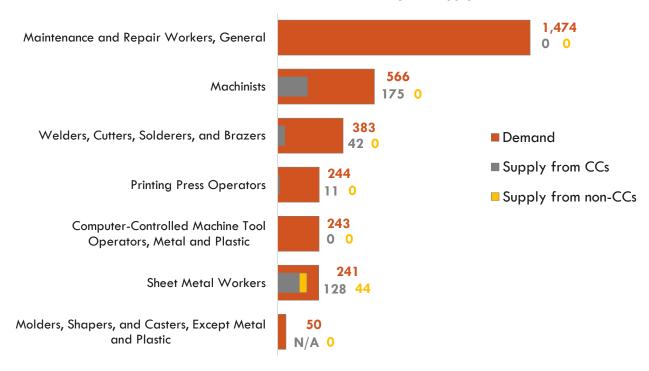
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As seen in Exhibit 3, middle-skill Advanced Manufacturing jobs with entry-level wages below the regional living wage have a significant number of annual job openings (labor market demand).

Exihbit 3. Advanced Manufacturing Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Wages Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County:

Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply



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While these occupations have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator of \$17.39 per hour, occupations such as Maintenance and Repair Workers, General; Machinists; Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators, Metal and Plastic; and Sheet Metal Workers have median wages higher than the regional living wage as denoted via the gray shading in Exhibit 4.



## **ADVANCED MANUFACTURING**

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Calculator in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

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51-4041	Machinists	566	\$16.30	\$21.1 <i>7</i>
51-4121	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	383	\$13.87	\$16.80
51-5112	Printing Press Operators	244	\$12.41	\$16.1 <i>7</i>
51-4011	Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators, Metal and Plastic	243	\$13.74	\$17.43
47-2211	Sheet Metal Workers	241	\$15.70	\$21.21
51-9195	Molders, Shapers, and Casters, Except Metal and Plastic	50	\$12.57	\$17.27



# **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS - THE BIG PICTURE**

Focus group participants addressed other issues and challenges that cannot be captured by traditional labor market information and provided insight on the tactics colleges and employers are currently using to address supply gaps in the Advanced Manufacturing sector.

#### How Employers are Filling Supply Gaps

Focus group participants across all sectors reported that employers recruit heavily at four-year colleges for potential workers, even if a position does not require a bachelor's degree. In the Advanced Manufacturing focus group, participants noted that there is anecdotal evidence that students taking community college courses tend to know how to work machines better than their four-year college counterparts who tend to be more theory-based.

Faculty and administrators also shared that employers utilize staffing agencies in order to meet their workforce needs because they prescreen candidates and provide a low-risk, fast-moving, pipeline of workers for companies. Additionally, companies such as Oakley take current employees and re-train them. One faculty member said that, in some cases, employers engage in re-training by giving employees a two-year time period to gain necessary skills by completing community college training programs.

"Employers go to Adecco or another staffing agency and say 'send us everybody." [The employer] would send them through a training program. Those who didn't like it would leave and those that stayed would have opportunities down the road...that's how they build supply."

— Fullerton College Faculty Member

#### **Skills and Certifications**

According to the focus group participants, many skills taught in community college Advanced Manufacturing programs are transferable and are not exclusive to a single/particular job. For example, the community colleges in the region are developing new programs around robotics, conversational programming, and maintenance that are not specific to the Advanced Manufacturing sector and are valuable to other sectors such as Energy, Construction, and Utilities.

In order to close labor market supply gaps in the sector, focus group participants said that companies tend to hire students before they complete their programs as long as students have the foundational skills needed for the job. Once on board, companies could provide training specific to the companies' products and processes. One focus group participant indicated that manufacturing firms tend to be small—some with fewer than 20 employees. Small manufacturers prefer workers with skills specific to their business and have developed in-house training to meet those specialized needs. Therefore, it may not be necessary for students to complete an entire program in order to be "job ready" for these types of manufacturers.

Certifications are another way to demonstrate skill attainment according to focus group participants. Faculty and administrators identified a number of certifications for which Orange County community college programs train. These certifications include Siemens Programmable Logic Controller (PLC), Level One Mechatronics, SOLIDWORKS, AutoCAD, Revit, and Additive Manufacturing.

#### **Challenges in Expanding Programs**

Focus group participants identified several challenges to expanding programs in the Advanced Manufacturing sector. Many of these challenges, including the lack of dedicated lab space, difficulty hiring faculty and staff, and high costs for equipment, cut across all sectors. However, a unique challenge for the Advanced Manufacturing sector is that Orange County's community colleges offer several Advanced Manufacturing courses—many of which have similar training goals or learning outcomes. However, each college has a different approach and curriculum, which can be confusing for students to navigate, should they desire to complete their education across multiple institutions. This fragmentation may cause students to take longer to actually complete programs, especially if courses do not articulate from one institution to another.



#### **KEY FINDINGS: ADVANCED MANUFACTURING**

Based on the demand and supply data, as well as the focus group insights analyzed in this brief, the COE identified the following key research findings and recommendations:

# **Demand and Supply Key Findings**

5,080

1,033

4,047

annual job openings (labor market demand)

average annual program awards (labor market supply)

supply gap (number of awards needed to close the gap)

# **Focus Group Key Findings and Recommendations**

# **Key Finding**

- Retention and success rates are high for Advanced Manufacturing courses, but
  - program completion numbers are low:
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#### **Recommendation**

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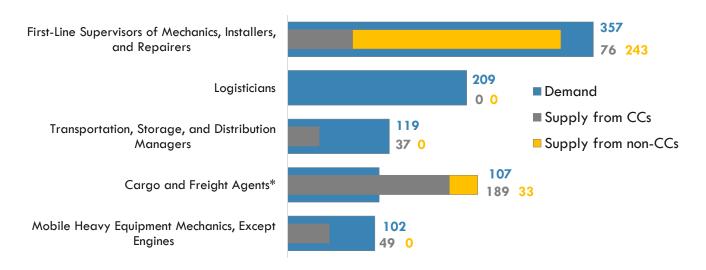


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#### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

#### Unmanned Aerial Vehicles/Drones

Focus group participants pointed out that the supply and demand figures in this report did not include data for unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV), more commonly known as drones. Currently, there is no occupation in the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system for drones, and it is unlikely that an occupation will be added in the future. Previous research from the COE has shown that drone piloting is an additional skill that can be added to make students more marketable for existing occupations, such as those in public safety, photography and videography, and surveying and GIS.

#### **Certifications**

Faculty members and the regional director for employment engagement identified several certifications for which Orange County community college programs train. Certifications for piloting include Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airmen Certificate and, for drone pilots, FAA Part 107. Focus group participants also identified several automotive certifications: Automotive Emission Control Specialist, Automotive Service Excellence (ASE), and Mobile Air Conditioning Society (MACS) 609 Certifications. It is important to note that the supply figures included in this report do not include individuals that already hold these certifications, so supply for some occupations may be understated.

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Exhibit 2. Advanced Transportation and Logistics Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

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49-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers	357	\$28.33	\$36.67
13-1081	Logisticians	209	\$30.89	\$40.09
11-3071	Transportation, Storage, and Distribution Managers	119	\$30.96	\$47.98
43-5011	Cargo and Freight Agents	107	\$17.88	\$22.48
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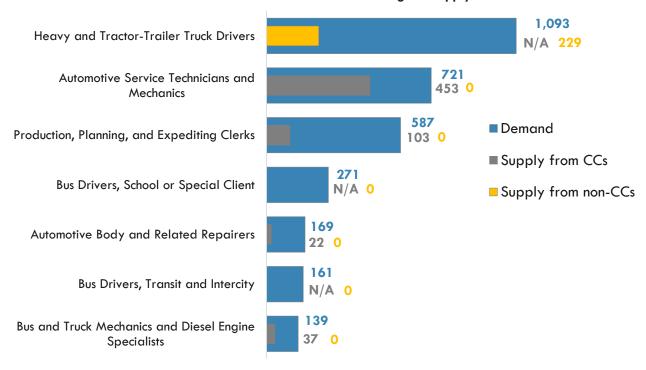
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As seen in Exhibit 3, middle-skill Advanced Transportation and Logistics jobs with entry-level wages below the regional living wage have a significant number of annual job openings (labor market demand).

Exhibit 3. Advanced Transportation and Logistics Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Wages
Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County:
Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply



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While these occupations have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator of \$17.39 per hour, occupations such as Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers; Production, Planning, and Expediting Clerks; Bus Drivers, School or Special Client; Automotive Body and Related Repairers; and Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists have median wages higher than the regional living wage as denoted via the gray shading in Exhibit 4.

Exhibit 4. Advanced Transportation and Logistics Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Earnings Below the California
Family Needs Calculator in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
53-3032	Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	1,093	\$16.95	\$20.85
49-3023	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	721	\$11.94	\$16.74
43-5061	Production, Planning, and Expediting Clerks	587	\$17.38	\$22.80
53-3022	Bus Drivers, School or Special Client	271	\$15.57	\$18.08
49-3021	Automotive Body and Related Repairers	169	\$14.64	\$22.46
53-3021	Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity	161	\$14.41	\$17.11
49-3031	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	139	\$16.73	\$21.90

#### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

#### **Wages for Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics**

Focus group participants said that wages for the Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics occupation appeared low and that, in their experience, wages were much higher. While standardized occupational titles are useful for classifying, collecting, and disseminating data in general, they do not always provide a complete picture of the demand and wages for specific job titles. The Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics occupation includes several roles and titles, including lube technicians, service technician, and automobile mechanic. Prolific positions that are typically considered entry-level and require less experience, like lube technicians, have low wages and bring the entry-level and median wages down for this occupation. Focus group participants said that colleges should train students on wage expectations for these different roles.

Additionally, wages for self-employed Automotive Service Technician and Mechanics are nearly two dollars lower. This could be because self-employed workers may underreport their income if they are paid in cash.



#### FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS - THE BIG PICTURE

Focus group participants addressed other issues and challenges that cannot be captured by traditional labor market information and provided insight on the tactics colleges and employers are currently using to address supply gaps in the Advanced Transportation and Logistics sector.

#### **How Employers are Filling Supply Gaps**

According to focus group participants, employers are primarily relying on internal training to address supply gaps. In many cases, particularly for automotive dealers, companies have manufacturer-specific training that workers go through when they are initially hired. Faculty members also noted that automation has required employers to re-train their workforce to keep up with current technology.

"In automotive, we focus on the fundamentals and employers actually have corporate training centers where they add on manufacturer-specific training or skills."

- Regional Director for Employer Engagement

#### **Employer Engagement**

Faculty from multiple colleges noted that they are working to connect students with employers that have a need for qualified workers. Fullerton College has held recruitment events with the Orange County Automobile Dealers Association (OCADA) on their campus. Local industry partners, including new car dealerships, parts stores, and independent repair shops also contact Fullerton College's shop manager and request students to fill employment opportunities.

#### **Creative Ways Community Colleges are Offering Programs**

Focus group participants identified some creative ways they are offering programs and some of the challenges they face when developing new ways to offer programs. Faculty and administrators said that virtual reality training is becoming more prominent, but the cost of this equipment is prohibitive. According to one faculty member, virtual reality for commercial piloting technology is developing so quickly that new technology quickly becomes obsolete. An administrator suggested using Strong Workforce Program (SWP) funds to keep up with these technological advances.

Some colleges are also exploring the idea of an automotive internship class to help students build relationships with an employer and increase their chances of permanent employment.

#### **Challenges in Expanding Programs**

Focus group participants identified several challenges to expanding programs in the Advanced Transportation and Logistics sector. Many of these challenges, including the lack of dedicated space, difficulty hiring faculty and staff, and high costs for equipment, cut across all sectors. However, focus group participants identified some unique challenges for this sector, such as the rapid development of new technology and automation. Another challenge specific to drone pilots is the changing regulatory landscape and uncertainty about future flight regulations. These advances make it difficult for faculty to define the specific training needed in these areas.

#### **Automation**

Focus group participants believe that automation will hurt this sector more than others. The regional director for employer engagement pointed to the recent decision by the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners decision to allow the Maersk shipping company to use automated electric cargo handlers at the Port of Los Angeles. <sup>10</sup> Additionally, there is currently high demand for Heavy and Tractor Trailer Truck Drivers, but future demand for this occupation could be greatly affected by self-driving trucks.

Though automation will likely impact the demand for many of the occupations in this report, it could also provide opportunities to teach new skills and re-train current workers. In the case of the Port of Los Angeles, dockworkers reached an agreement that provides training for workers to repair and service automated machines. <sup>11</sup> Similar training or re-training programs could put workers at a lower risk of losing their job to automation.

<sup>11</sup> https://labusinessjournal.com/news/2019/jul/18/deal-reached-over-automation-port/



<sup>10</sup> https://abc7.com/business/port-of-las-largest-tenant-gets-green-light-to-automate-terminals/5389793/

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#### **KEY FINDINGS: ADVANCED TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS**

Based on the demand and supply data, as well as the focus group insights analyzed in this brief, the COE identified the following key research findings and recommendations:

# **Demand and Supply Key Findings**

4,035

1,471

2,564

annual job openings (labor market demand)

average annual program awards (labor market supply)

supply gap (number of awards needed to close the gap)

# **Focus Group Key Findings and Recommendations**

# **Key Finding**

# Recommendation

- 1. Automation could hurt the Advanced
  Transportation and Logistics sectors more
  than others: The rapid development of
  autonomous vehicles and the recent decision
  by the Los Angeles Board of Harbor
  Commissioners to allow the Maersk shipping
  company to use automated electric cargo
  handlers at the Port of Los Angeles highlight
  some ways automation could hurt Advanced
  Transportation and Logistics sector.
  Additionally, there is currently high demand
  for Heavy and Tractor Trailer Truck Drivers,
  but future demand for this occupation could be
  greatly affected by self-driving trucks.
- 1. Though automation will likely impact the demand for many Advanced Transportation and Logistics occupations, it could also provide opportunities to teach new skills and re-train current workers. In the case of the Port of Los Angeles, dockworkers reached an agreement that provides training for workers to repair and service automated machines. Orange County community colleges could offer similar training or re-training programs that could put workers at a lower risk of losing their job to automation.
- 2. Wages for Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics could be misleading: Entrylevel and median wages for Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics are below the regional living wage, which is currently \$17.39. However, this occupation includes several roles and titles, including lube technicians, service technician, and automobile mechanic. While standardized occupational titles are useful for classifying, collecting, and disseminating data in general, they do not always provide a complete picture of the demand and wages for specific job titles. Prolific positions that are typically considered entry-level and require less experience, like lube technicians, have low wages and bring the entry-level and median wages down for this occupation.
- 2. To help students better understand wage expectations and career progression, the Regional Director for Employer Engagement could work with faculty members and administrators to define common career paths and job titles within occupations. This information can then be shared with counselors so that students can learn about their career options and how their earnings potential changes with additional education and experience.



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# **Key Finding**

# 3. New technology, automation, and the changing regulatory landscape make it difficult for faculty to define the specific training needed for some areas; keeping up with these trends can be expensive: Due to the bureaucratic nature of the community college system, colleges are not always able to stay current with the most recent training technology, such as flight simulators. By the time colleges can adopt new technology, newer versions have often been released. Additionally, changes in flight regulations, and the potential for future regulations, for drone pilots creates uncertainty about the skills and knowledge students will need to succeed in associated occupations.

4. Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSAs) for the sector have not been validated by employers: The OC Sector Analysis Project brief examines job gaps, but does not explore the specific KSAs taught at the colleges and compare them to the labor market's demand for Advanced Transportation and Logistics KSAs.

#### Recommendation

3. Faculty, administrators, and the Regional Director for Employer Engagement could work with key employers to identify which training technology and platforms would be most cost effective for providing the skills and training students need to meet employers' demand for workers. This would allow colleges to focus their finite resources in areas that will be the most effective in supporting student success.

4. To determine if the region's community colleges are training for the right KSAs, the Advanced Transportation and Logistics Regional Director for Employer Engagement should convene employers in a "regional advisory group" where employers can review program KSAs, provide feedback, and validate the KSAs' current relevance and demand in the labor market.

# **BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

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#### INTRODUCTION

This sector brief is a product of the Orange County Sector Analysis Project. It provides information about the Business and Entrepreneurship sector in Orange County, one of Orange County's six priority sectors; it compares labor market demand with educational program supply for middle-skill jobs and provides qualitative information from experts in the field. Orange County community colleges could use the information in this report for strategic planning and discussions about program development, career pathways work, sector strategies, noncredit-to-credit pipelines, apprenticeship programs, and work-based learning opportunities.

All of the Orange County Sector Analysis Project briefs began with quantitative labor market demand and supply analysis; however, they also include qualitative information derived from the project's focus group discussions. Between July and August 2019, the Orange County Center of Excellence for Labor Market Research (COE) hosted a total of 12 sector-specific focus groups with regional stakeholders, including faculty and deans, as well as regional and state directors for employer engagement. Two of these focus groups were specific to the Business and Entrepreneurship sector. The objectives of the focus groups were to identify labor market supply gaps (supply gaps) in middle-skill jobs; understand where programs exist or do not exist to fill in the supply gaps; and discuss how Orange County's community colleges could close the supply gaps. Focus group participants reviewed the demand and supply analysis prior to meeting and provided intelligence regarding how they are working to close supply gaps as well as the challenges they encounter in their programs; this valuable information could not be captured via traditional labor market research methods. The COE recorded then analyzed these discussions which resulted in the "Focus Group Insights" sections throughout this brief, supplementing traditional, quantitative labor market data with important, qualitative information.

# Middle-Skill Jobs and Living Wage Introduction

In this brief, middle-skill jobs include: all occupations that require an educational requirement of some college, associate degree or apprenticeship; all occupations that require a bachelor's degree, but also have more than one-third of their existing labor force with an educational attainment of some college or associate degree; or all occupations that require a high school diploma or equivalent or no formal education, but also require short- to long-term on-the-job training.

In this brief, top middle-skill jobs are defined as jobs that have both the most labor market demand (annual job openings) and entry-level wages at or above the California Family Needs Calculator <sup>12</sup> (commonly known as a "living wage"). The living wage is the hourly wage that a single adult needs to earn in order to meet basic needs in Orange County, and is currently \$17.39 per hour. The living wage is defined by the California Family Needs Calculator, which calculates the income necessary to cover costs including housing, food, transportation, health care, and other basic necessities.

Entry-level wage is defined as the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile hourly wage, which means that 25% of all workers in that occupation earn equal to or below this amount. Percentile wages represent the distribution of wages for each occupation. Generally, workers with minimal education and experience can expect to earn wages near the 10<sup>th</sup> percentile. With the additional education and training students receive in community college programs, they are more likely to earn wages at the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile, rather than the 10<sup>th</sup> percentile. Generally, with even more education and experience, students could expect to progress and earn the median wage, which is defined as the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile hourly wage.

#### **Demand Introduction**

For the purpose of this report, labor market demand is determined by the number of annual job openings employers expect to fill due to job growth and employee turnover between 2018 and 2023. Job growth is when an employer experiences increased demand for products and hires new employees to increase production, while employee turnover is when an employer hires replacement workers for employees who leave the workforce or change occupations.

<sup>12</sup> https://insightcced.org/2018-family-needs-calculator/



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# **Supply Introduction**

Supply is determined by the average annual-number of related awards (e.g., certificates, degrees) generated between 2015 and 2017 by the region's community colleges and other educational institutions (e.g., private providers) for the purpose of this report. However, it should be noted that a student may earn more than one award; therefore, supply may be overestimated for certain occupations.

Whether or not there is a supply gap is determined by the difference between the demand and supply. The methodology regarding how these numbers are calculated is described in Appendix A.

#### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

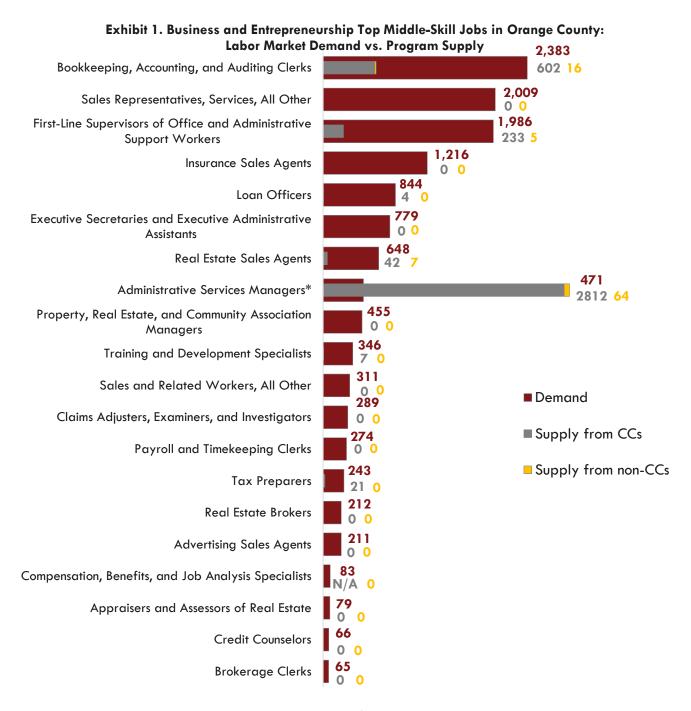
The Business and Entrepreneurship sector was split into two focus groups that were held on different days and included a total of eight faculty members – two counselors and six academic – and four administrators from seven institutions – six of the nine community colleges, and one noncredit school – that offered Business and Entrepreneurship programs in Orange County between 2015 and 2017. The regional director for employer engagement also attended one of the focus groups.

Focus group participants identified several data limitations, challenges in expanding programs, and other issues that were common across multiple sectors. The cross-sector, common themes are expanded on and explained in further detail in the standalone Orange County Sector Analysis Project Executive Summary report. Focus group participants also reported on limitations and challenges that were unique to the Business and Entrepreneurship sector. This sector-specific information is highlighted throughout this report in the Focus Group Insights and the Focus Group Insights – The Big Picture sections.



# BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP TOP MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS

This section compares Orange County's labor market demand for the top middle-skill jobs in Business and Entrepreneurship with program supply from the region's community colleges and non-community college providers (Exhibit 1). As seen in Exhibit 2, the entry-level wages <sup>13</sup> for these top middle-skill jobs are higher than the \$17.39 per hour living wage. Descriptions for each occupational title can be found in Appendix B. Detailed supply and demand data analyzed for each occupation, including supply numbers by institutions is included in Appendix C.



(Please note: \* indicates that the occupation has an oversupply of labor, and N/A indicates that no community college program reported awards for this occupation or no community college program is available for this occupation.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> In this report, entry-level wage is defined as the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile hourly wage, which means that 25% of all workers in the field earn equal to or below this amount. Generally, workers with less experience earn lower wages.



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#### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

#### **Low Completion Numbers**

According to the demand and supply in Exhibits 1 and 3, the community colleges in Orange County are undersupplying for both types of jobs analyzed in this brief: 1) top middle-skill jobs and 2) jobs that have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator – or living wage, but have median wages above the living wage. According to the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) dashboard tool, LaunchBoard<sup>1</sup>, 31,648 (unduplicated) students took one or more courses in Business and Entrepreneurship programs in Program Year 2016-17. However, in that same year, only 3,441 students earned a certificate or degree.

Focus group participants provided some explanations as to why supply numbers were so low:

- Because Business and Entrepreneurship programs tend to attract working industry professionals, students may drop out
  or withdraw from the program before completing because they learned what they came to the program to learn. This
  has shown to be particularly true for students in sales, tax, and accounting courses.
- In order to close the many supply gaps in the sector, companies sometimes hire students who have the foundational
  skills needed for a particular job before they have completed their career education program. In some cases, students
  will participate in an internship program or work-based learning opportunity and receive a full-time job offer prior to
  completing their degree or certificate.
- Enrollment management decisions can sometimes mean a class is cut due to low enrollment, leaving students without options to complete their degree or certificate at their current community college.

Faculty and administrators said that though completion numbers appeared low, they know that many non-completers have positive employment outcomes. Some faculty members said that they are developing internal tracking systems to identify these students. Additionally, the CTE Outcomes Survey (CTEOS) could help colleges track and better understand outcomes for students who leave a program before completing a degree or certificate.

#### **Experience Requirements**

Focus group participants noted that some of these occupations, such as Administrative Services Managers and Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants, meet the middle-skill definition used in this report, but are not entry-level occupations. Obtaining employment in these occupations is not realistic for students that are looking for a job with little experience "right out of college".

#### **Challenges in Identifying Supply for Management Positions**

This brief analyzes labor market demand and supply data for the Business and Entrepreneurship sector, using occupational codes from the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system for demand data and program codes from the Taxonomy of Programs (TOP) as well as Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) systems for supply data (see Appendix A for more information). However, matching SOC codes to TOP and CIP codes has its limitations, particularly for management positions. Focus group participants noted that the TOP codes associated with the Administrative Services Managers occupation train for various managerial occupations, not just Administrative Service Managers. For this reason, the program supply numbers for Administrative Services Managers is likely overstated.

#### **Entrepreneurship Skills**

Focus group participants shared that finding information and data on entrepreneurship skills is a challenge when reviewing or creating programs. There is no TOP code for entrepreneurship and a comprehensive list of entrepreneurship programs does not currently exist. However, the skills taught in entrepreneurship classes can be applied across a variety of occupations. To address the need for these skills in other areas, Irvine Valley College has promoted entrepreneurship classes to disciplines other than Business across the college and hosts pitch competitions with students

"The lack of a TOP code [for entrepreneurship] is a problem. Where do you put it? Colleges may be coding similar programs differently, but we wouldn't know."

- Saddleback College Faculty Member

from all disciplines. Focus groups participants also explained that, while there is value in teaching these skills, entrepreneurship courses are non-transferable, so they are susceptible to being cut due to low enrollment.



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#### **Licenses and Certifications**

Focus group participants identified a number of occupations, including Real Estate Sales Agents and Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists, that require a state license or certification. Other occupations, such as Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks, do not require a state license or certification, but a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) certification makes students more attractive to employers and can lead to advancement opportunities. Focus group participants stated that many students enrolled in accounting courses previously graduated from a four-year institution and take additional courses at community colleges to sit for the CPA exam. According to the CCCCO LaunchBoard <sup>14</sup>, in the 2016-17 academic year, three colleges had a significant percentage of students enrolled in accounting courses who previously graduated from a four-year institution: Coastline (22%), Saddleback (21%), and Irvine Valley (18%).

Other third-party certifications that Orange County community colleges train for are American Bar Association (ABA) Paralegal, Entrepreneurship and Small Business (ESB), Microsoft Office Specialist, and Project Management Professional (PMP).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> calpassplus.org/Launchboard/Community-College-Pipeline.aspx



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Exhibit 2. Business and Entrepreneurship Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
43-3031	Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	2,383	\$17.61	\$22.05
41-3099	Sales Representatives, Services, All Other	2,009	\$18.32	\$26.33
43-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers	1,986	\$22.80	\$28.72
41-3021	Insurance Sales Agents	1,216	\$17.50	\$23.63
13-2072	Loan Officers	844	\$18.53	\$30.89
43-6011	Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	779	\$25.93	\$31.80
41-9022	Real Estate Sales Agents	648	\$19.12	\$20.16
11-3011	Administrative Services Managers	471	\$41.40	\$55.21
11-9141	Property, Real Estate, and Community Association Managers	455	\$20.64	\$26.36
13-1151	Training and Development Specialists	346	\$24.29	\$32.97
41-9099	Sales and Related Workers, All Other	311	\$19.99	\$24.56
13-1031	Claims Adjusters, Examiners, and Investigators	289	\$23.82	\$32.31
43-3051	Payroll and Timekeeping Clerks	274	\$20.36	\$25.40
13-2082	Tax Preparers	243	\$17.99	\$25.14
41-9021	Real Estate Brokers	212	\$22.04	\$24.89
41-3011	Advertising Sales Agents	211	\$23.27	\$27.89
13-1141	Compensation, Benefits, and Job Analysis Specialists	83	\$25.32	\$33.35
13-2021	Appraisers and Assessors of Real Estate	79	\$22.50	\$27.47
13-2071	Credit Counselors	66	\$20.85	\$24.10
43-4011	Brokerage Clerks	65	\$22.19	\$26.39

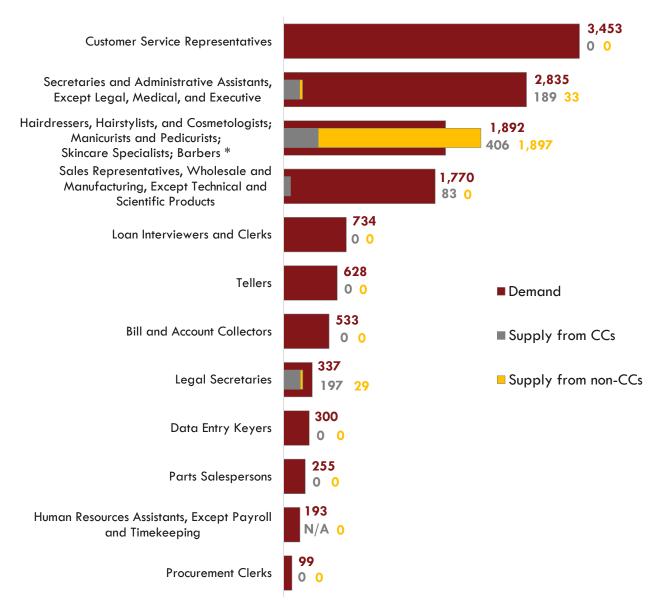


# BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS WITH ENTRY-LEVEL WAGES BELOW CALIFORNIA FAMILY NEEDS CALCULATOR

While it is important to understand which top middle-skill jobs have opportunities for increased program supply, it is also important to consider middle-skill occupations that have entry-level wages below the regional living wage but median wages near or above it. Since wages generally increase from entry-level to median earnings with additional experience and training, students could potentially earn self-sustaining wages with additional apprenticeship or work-based learning opportunities.

As seen in Exhibit 3, middle-skill Business and Entrepreneurship jobs with entry-level wages below the regional living wage have a significant number of annual job openings (labor market demand).

Exhibit 3. Business and Entrepreneurship Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Wages
Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County:
Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply



(Please

note: \* indicates that the occupation has an oversupply of labor, and N/A indicates that no community college program reported awards for this occupation or no community college program is available for this occupation.)



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While these occupations have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator of \$17.39 per hour, occupations such as Customer Service Representatives; Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive; Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products; Loan Interviewers and Clerks; Bill and Account Collectors; Legal Secretaries; Parts Salespersons; Human Resources Assistants, Except Payroll and Timekeeping; and Procurement Clerks have median wages higher than the regional living wage, as denoted via the gray shading in Exhibit 4.

Exhibit 4. Business and Entrepreneurship Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Earnings Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
43-4051	Customer Service Representatives	3,453	\$14.58	\$17.83
43-6014	Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	2,835	\$15.69	\$19.66
41-4012	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products	1 <i>,77</i> 0	\$17.38	\$25.34
39-5012	Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists <sup>^</sup>	1,079	\$11.55	\$12.00
43-4131	Loan Interviewers and Clerks	734	\$14.54	\$20.22
43-3071	Tellers	628	\$12.61	\$14.09
39-5092	Manicurists and Pedicurists <sup>^</sup>	577	\$10.24	\$10.88
43-3011	Bill and Account Collectors	533	\$16.22	\$20.42
43-6012	Legal Secretaries	337	\$16.41	\$24.33
43-9021	Data Entry Keyers	300	\$13.14	\$16.55
41-2022	Parts Salespersons	255	\$11.83	\$18.11
43-4161	Human Resources Assistants, Except Payroll and Timekeeping	193	\$14.75	\$17.76
39-5094	Skincare Specialists^	154	\$12.22	\$14.11
43-3061	Procurement Clerks	99	\$16.67	\$19.42
39-5011	Barbers^	82	\$11.30	\$11.82

(Please note: ^Indicates that demand and supply for these occupations were combined in Exhibit 3.



## FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS - THE BIG PICTURE

Focus group participants addressed other issues and challenges that cannot be captured by traditional labor market information and provided insight on the tactics colleges and employers are currently using to address supply gaps in the Business and Entrepreneurship sector.

#### **Employer Engagement**

Faculty from multiple colleges noted that they are working to connect students with employers that have a need for qualified workers. However, developing and maintaining continuous relationships with industry partners is time consuming and difficult. In many cases, individual faculty, administrators, or staff are working with different employers and are unaware of each other's efforts. An Irvine Valley College faculty member said that they would like to bring in guest speakers or take students on field trips, but red tape and administrative regulations make this process long and cumbersome. Focus group participants felt that since employers are not used to the bureaucracy of the community college system, the paperwork and long waiting periods could be off-putting and damage relationships.

Focus group participants also noted that, though many employers prefer to hire students with four-year degrees, several employers are open to partnering with community colleges for internships. To respond to employer interest, Coastline and Golden West colleges are exploring partnerships with local companies for internships. Fullerton College currently has an internship program and is working to expand it due to positive feedback from employers and students. In some cases, employers have offered students full-time jobs after they complete their internship.

#### Creative Ways Community Colleges are Offering Programs

Focus group participants discussed several creative ways they are offering programs and some of the challenges they face when developing new means to offer programs:

- Several colleges, including Fullerton, Irvine Valley, and Santiago Canyon, offer dual-enrollment courses at high schools within their service area. Dual-enrollment makes high school students aware of business programs at the community colleges and creates a potential pipeline of students to increase enrollment.
- Irvine Valley College has promoted entrepreneurship classes to disciplines other than Business across the college and hosts pitch competitions with students from all disciplines. They also hold entrepreneurship events with business partners and run a summer entrepreneurship workshop.
- North Orange Continuing Education has been testing out Pearson's MyLab IT (also known as MyIT Lab) which is a
  teaching and learning platform with simulated scenarios for students in their Business Information Worker (BIW) and
  Administrative Professional programs.

#### **New Programs**

Faculty and administrators identified over a dozen new programs that they are either in the process of creating or plan to create in the near future. Several of these new programs will address new and emerging areas such as data/business analytics and entrepreneurship fields. Other programs will focus on accounting, bookkeeping, and human resources.

#### **Challenges in Expanding Programs**

Focus group participants identified several challenges to expanding programs in the Business and Entrepreneurship sector. Many of these challenges, including the lack of dedicated lab space, difficulty hiring faculty and staff, and high costs for equipment, cut across all sectors. However, focus groups participants identified a unique and significant challenge for the Business and Entrepreneurship sector. They stated that programs in this sector are often the "default" program for students who are unsure of their future plans. Lack of a clear path can discourage students from completing the program and in some cases, continuing their education. Focus group participants shared that this pattern of students dropping out negatively affects course enrollments and may lead to courses being cut. Furthermore, they explained that once enrollments begin declining, it is difficult to justify expanding a program.



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### **KEY FINDINGS: BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

Based on the demand and supply data, as well as the focus group insights analyzed in this brief, the COE identified the following key research findings and recommendations:

# **Demand and Supply Key Findings**

25,999

6,655

19,344

annual job openings (labor market demand) average annual program awards (labor market supply)

supply gap (number of awards needed to close the gap)

# **Focus Group Key Findings and Recommendations**

## **Key Finding**

## Recommendation

- 1. This sector has both the highest labor market demand and the highest number of program supply of all the sectors - but also the biggest gap of more than 19,300 awards: Community colleges in Orange County are undersupplying for middle-skill Business and Entrepreneurship jobs. Nearly 11% of all students enrolled in Business and Entrepreneurship programs complete a degree or certificate. This sector tends to be the "default" major for students who are unsure of their career plans and the programs tend to attract working industry professionals who may drop out or withdraw before completing because they have learned the skills they need in their current job.
- 2. Employers hire students before they complete training: In order to close the many supply gaps in the sector, companies sometimes hire students who have the foundational skills needed for a particular job before they have completed their career education program. In some cases, students will participate in an internship program or work-based learning opportunity and receive a full-time job offer prior to completing their degree or certificate.
- 1. To increase completion rates of students in Business and Entrepreneurship programs, colleges could focus regional and local efforts to help undecided students hone in on their interests so that they have a clear path to progression and completion. College faculty, deans and the Regional Director for Employer Engagement for this sector should review program and course data to determine the specific barriers that prevent students from successfully completing a program (e.g., challenging introductory courses and differing pre-requisites across colleges for higher level courses), Strong Workforce Program (SWP) funds could be invested at the college level to address students' specific barriers to course/program retention and completion.
- 2. To increase completion numbers in Business and Entrepreneurship programs, faculty, deans, and the Regional Director for Employer Engagement should review program curriculum and identify programs that may be overdesigned. These are programs that offer more courses than what may be needed in the labor market, creating long-term programs that could actually be shortened by offering fewer courses/credits, yet still prepare students for small companies' needs.

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# **Key Finding**

- 3. Dual-Enrollment could encourage more students to enroll in Business and Entrepreneurship programs: Even though this sector has the highest number of students in the region, labor market demand is so high that there is the need for a consistent pipeline of students entering the sector's programs. There is room to increase the 21% of the students in this sector who are 19 years old or younger.
- 4. There is no Taxonomy of Program (TOP) code for Entrepreneurship: There is no TOP code for entrepreneurship and a comprehensive list of entrepreneurship programs does not currently exist, which makes finding supply information and data on entrepreneurship skills a challenge when reviewing or creating programs. However, the skills taught in entrepreneurship classes can be applied across a variety of occupations and sectors.
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#### Recommendation

- 3. To increase enrollments and help students focus on careers in this sector, colleges should offer dual-enrollment courses at high schools within their service area. Dual-enrollment makes high school students aware of business programs at the community colleges and creates a potential pipeline of students to increase enrollment.
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# **ENERGY, CONSTRUCTION, AND UTILITIES**

Demand and Supply Analysis: Orange County

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#### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

The Energy, Construction, and Utilities sector was split into two focus groups that were held on different days and included a total of two faculty members and two administrators from 10 institutions – five of the nine community colleges, and one noncredit school – that offered Energy, Construction, and Utilities programs in Orange County between 2015 and 2017. Both the statewide and regional director for employer engagement also attended one of the two focus groups.

Focus group participants identified several data limitations, challenges in expanding programs, and other issues that were common across multiple sectors. The cross-sector, common themes are expanded on and explained in further detail in the standalone Orange County Sector Analysis Project Executive Summary report. Focus group participants also reported on limitations and challenges that were unique to the Energy, Construction, and Utilities sector. This sector-specific information is highlighted throughout this report in the Focus Group Insights and the Focus Group Insights – The Big Picture sections.

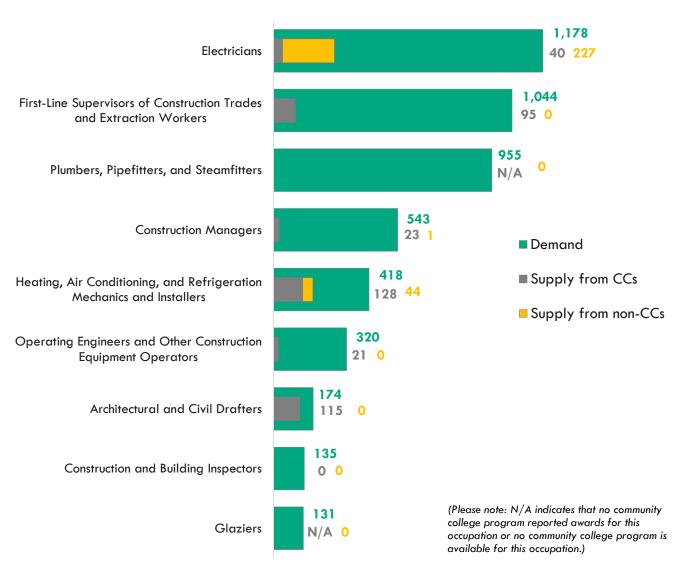


# **ENERGY, CONSTRUCTION, AND UTILITIES TOP MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS**

This section compares Orange County's labor market demand for the top middle-skill jobs in Energy, Construction, and Utilities with program supply from the region's community colleges and non-community college providers (Exhibit 1). As seen in Exhibit 2, the entry-level wages <sup>16</sup> for these top middle-skill jobs are higher than the \$17.39 per hour living wage. Descriptions for each occupational title can be found in Appendix B. Detailed supply and demand data analyzed for each occupation, including supply numbers by institutions is included in Appendix C.

Exhibit 1. Energy, Construction and Utilities Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County:

Labor Market Demand vs. Supply



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## **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

#### Missing TOP Codes, Occupations, and Cross-Sector Programs

Focus group participants pointed out that at least two programs, Electronics and Electric Technology (TOP code 0934.00) and Industrial Electronics (TOP code 0934.20) were not included in this sector brief. Because the California Community Colleges

Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) only allows TOP codes to be assigned to one sector and they have determined that these programs, and occupations related to those programs, belong to the Advanced Manufacturing sector they are not included in this sector brief and are instead analyzed in their assigned sector's brief. Focus group participants acknowledged this shortcoming and pointed out that sectors, particularly Energy, Construction, and Utilities and Advanced Manufacturing, are being blended together as technology evolves. Though programs are assigned to sectors, the skills taught in these programs could transfer to several sectors and make students more attractive to employers.

"Technologies are being used in all sectors and are blending sectors together...what used to be Advanced Manufacturing has turned more into construction and utilities, which has elements of factory work because of the integration of technology."

Saddleback College Administrator

All focus group participants agreed that there are several problems with the TOP code system. The statewide director for employer engagement said that skill sets, competencies, and student learning outcomes (SLOs), do not always align with the available TOP codes. Faculty members and administrators also pointed out that there is no TOP code for automation, so it is not possible to capture a full picture of supply from programs related to automation.

Additionally, one faculty member pointed out that the Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant and System Operators (SOC Code 51-8031) occupation was not included in the supply and demand analysis. Because this occupation had less than 50 annual job openings, it did not meet the threshold to be included, as defined in the methodology in Appendix A.

#### **Local Low-Unit Certificates**

Focus group participants felt that supply data from traditional labor market information is limited; it does not capture locally issued low-unit certificates that are not reported to, or approved by, the CCCCO. According to focus group participants, Energy, Construction, and Utilities programs attract industry professionals who are interested in upskilling or learning new skills for their current jobs. However, the supply data does not capture students that take a small number of courses to gain additional skills. If colleges do not report data for low-unit certificate programs. This could result in an under-reporting of the supply number.

Exhibit 2. Energy, Construction, and Utilities Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
47-2111	Electricians	1,178	\$17.93	\$26.22
47-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers	1,044	\$26.88	\$36.62
47-2152	Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	955	\$17.52	\$24.89
11-9021	Construction Managers	543	\$20.89	\$41.93
49-9021	Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	418	\$17.57	\$23.85
47-2073	Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators	320	\$26.93	\$36.64
17-3011	Architectural and Civil Drafters	174	\$22.65	\$27.92
47-4011	Construction and Building Inspectors	135	\$32.54	\$39.80
47-2121	Glaziers	131	\$20.70	\$27.48



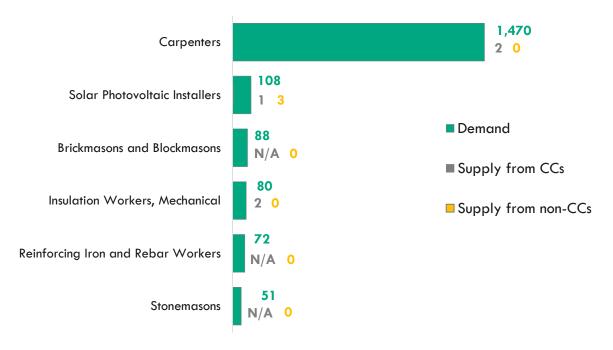
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# ENERGY, CONSTRUCTION, AND UTILITIES MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS WITH ENTRY-LEVEL WAGES BELOW CALIFORNIA FAMILY NEEDS CALCULATOR

While it is important to understand which top middle-skill jobs have opportunities for increased program supply, it is also important to consider middle-skill occupations that have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator, but median wages above it. Since wages generally increase with additional experience and training, students could potentially earn self-sustaining wages with additional apprenticeship or work-based learning opportunities.

As seen in Exhibit 3, middle-skill Energy, Construction, and Utilities jobs with entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator have a significant number of annual job openings (labor market demand).

Exhibit 3. Energy, Construction and Utilities Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Wages
Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County:
Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply



(Please note: N/A indicates that no community college program reported awards for this occupation or no community college program is available for this occupation.)



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While these occupations have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator of \$17.39 per hour, occupations such as Carpenters; Solar Photovoltaic Installers; Brickmasons and Blockmasons; and Insulation Workers, Mechanical have median wages higher than the regional living wage as denoted via the gray shading in Exhibit 4.

Exhibit 4. Energy, Construction, and Utilities Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Earnings Below the California Family

Needs Calculator in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
47-2031	Carpenters	1,470	\$14.75	\$21.72
47-2231	Solar Photovoltaic Installers	108	\$16.86	\$19.38
47-2021	Brickmasons and Blockmasons	88	\$16.10	\$23.75
47-2132	Insulation Workers, Mechanical	80	\$16.80	\$23.44
47-2171	Reinforcing Iron and Rebar Workers	72	\$14.44	\$16.47
47-2022	Stonemasons	51	\$13.52	\$15.02

## **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

#### **Low Completion Numbers**

According to the demand and supply exhibits in this brief, the community colleges in Orange County are undersupplying for both top middle-skill jobs and jobs that have entry-level wages below the regional living wage, but median wages above the regional living wage. According to the CCCCO's dashboard tool, LaunchBoard 17, 7,953 (unduplicated) students took one or more courses in Energy, Construction, and Utilities programs in the 2016-17 program year in Orange County. However, in that same year, only 296 students earned a certificate or degree. Focus group participants explained that several students enroll in one or two courses to gain a skill, but do not complete the program. Some reasons that students do not complete the program is because they are "skills-builders" that have gained specific skills and do not need a degree or certificate to find

employment, are currently working and go back to their current job after gaining skills, or because employers are hiring at a fast pace and it is easy for students to find a job. One faculty member suggested that, if students do not need to complete an existing full certificate to gain employment, some

"Right now, any CTE program is on the table to go to noncredit." – Saddleback College Administrator

programs could be truncated to help improve completion and/or moved to noncredit.

Faculty members noted that it is difficult to track these students after they leave. Additionally, faculty members said that colleges generally do not have good metrics on non-completers. Colleges could consider using the CTE Outcomes Survey (CTEOS) to help track outcomes for non-completers and skills-builders.

#### **Noncredit Programs**

Faculty and administrators said that low completion numbers could also be because noncredit awards are not being consistently reported for all Orange County colleges. If colleges are not reporting their noncredit awards, data for noncredit programs will not be included in Data Mart, LaunchBoard, or the COE's supply table. One administrator noted that the dollar per career development/college preparatory (CDCP) FTES for noncredit has increased and is now the same as it is for credit, so it is particularly important for colleges to look into their noncredit data and make sure it is being reported correctly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> calpassplus.org/Launchboard/Community-College-Pipeline.aspx



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## FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS - THE BIG PICTURE

Focus group participants addressed other issues and challenges that cannot be captured by traditional labor market information and provided insight on the tactics colleges and employers are currently using to address supply gaps in the Energy, Construction, and Utilities sector.

#### How Employers are Filling Supply Gaps

According to focus group participants, employers are primarily relying on apprenticeships and poaching from other companies to fill supply gaps. Companies are also adding additional workload to their current workforce in order to meet production goals. Faculty members also noted that companies sometimes attend college career fairs or will reach out directly to colleges to find workers.

"We're hearing that employers are having a hard time filling positions. [Employers say] A lot of times it's just a situation of 'post and pray.'"

Statewide Director for Employer
 Engagement

#### **Creative Ways Community Colleges are Offering Programs**

Focus group participants discussed several creative ways they are offering programs and some of the challenges they face when developing new ways to offer programs:

- The regional director for employer engagement and faculty noted that compressed schedules for eight weeks or during the four-week intersession work well for students.
- Fullerton College has created articulation agreements with the K-12 system within the North Orange County Community College District so that high school academy students can earn college units while in high school. It may be of interest to note that according to LaunchBoard. The Energy, Construction, and Utilities sector has the lowest percentage of students that are age 19 or younger (13%) across all priority and emerging sectors in Orange County. These efforts could help increase the number of young students taking courses in this sector.
- The regional director for employer engagement has been working with six community colleges throughout Orange County to create a collaborative Industrial Automation program. Articulation agreements will be developed so students will be able to take a sequence of core courses at any participating college in the region, then take specialty courses at another college, if they desire.
- One faculty member said that they are exploring simulations as an alternative to expensive training equipment.
   However, focus group participants agreed that there is no consensus from employers on whether or not simulation is an adequate form of training.

#### **Challenges in Expanding Programs**

Focus group participants identified several challenges to expanding programs in the Energy, Construction, and Utilities sector. Many of these challenges, including the lack of dedicated lab space, difficulty hiring faculty and staff, and high costs for equipment, cut across all sectors. However, a unique challenge for this sector is the difficulty in finding Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) faculty members as well recruiting faculty that have sector-specific required industry certifications or credentials. One administrator noted that they are having difficulty finding construction safety instructors because candidates do not have OSHA 30 certification.



#### **ENERGY, CONSTRUCTION, AND UTILITIES**

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# **KEY FINDINGS: ENERGY, CONSTRUCTION, AND UTILITIES**

Based on the demand and supply data, as well as the focus group insights analyzed in this brief, the COE identified the following key research findings and recommendations:

# Demand and Supply

6,767

**702** 

6,065

annual job openings (labor market demand) average annual program awards (labor market supply)

supply gap (number of awards needed to close the gap)

# Focus Group Key Findings and Recommendations

## **Key Finding**

- 1. Energy, Construction, and Utilities skills are transferable and not necessarily exclusive to a particular occupation: Skills taught in Energy, Construction, and Utilities courses and programs are transferable to other sectors such as Advanced Manufacturing, Technology is blending these two sectors together and students can become employable in either sector with the right knowledge, skills, and abilities.
- 2. Thousands of students take Energy, Construction, and Utilities courses, but few complete a degree or certificate. Tracking outcomes for non-completers is difficult: In the 2016-17 academic year, 7,953 students took at least one Energy, Construction, and Utilities course, but only 296 students completed a degree or certificate. Several students enroll in one or two courses to gain a skill, but do not complete the program. Some reasons that students do not complete the program is because they are "skills-builders" that have gained specific skills and do not need a degree or certificate to find employment, are currently working and go back to their current job after gaining skills, or because employers are hiring at a fast pace and it is easy for students to find a job.

## Recommendation

- 1. Faculty and the Regional Directors for Employer Engagement in Energy, Construction, and Utilities and Advanced Manufacturina could work with each other to develop crosssector training programs that provides students with a diverse skill set that can be applied towards occupations in both sectors.
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## **ENERGY, CONSTRUCTION, AND UTILITIES**

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# **Key Finding**

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# **HEALTH**

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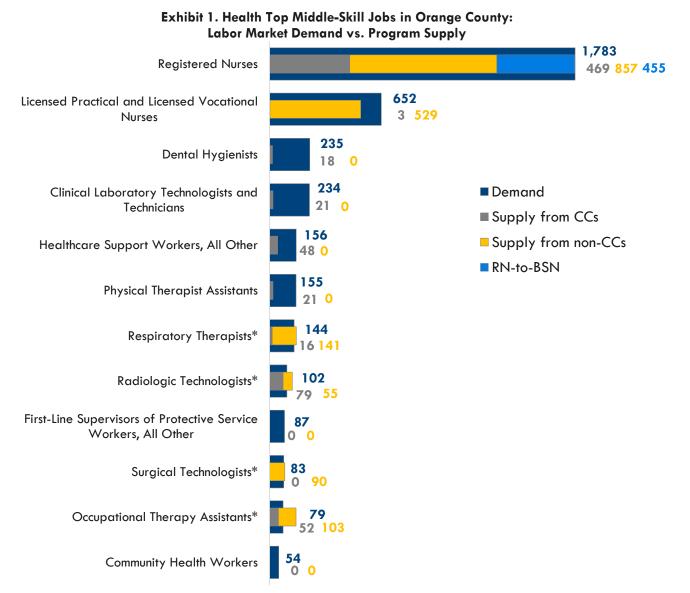
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# **HEALTH TOP MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS**

This section compares Orange County's labor market demand for the top middle-skill jobs in Health with program supply from the region's community colleges and non-community college providers (Exhibit 1). It is important to note that a third category, Registered Nurse to Bachelors of Science in Nursing (RN-to-BSN), has been added to the Registered Nurses occupation because some institutions, such as University of Phoenix and Brandman University, provide programs for those who already are a registered nurse and have an associate's degree in nursing to earn their Bachelors of Science in Nursing; therefore, these programs are not training new nurses and are not creating additional supply.

As seen in Exhibit 2, the entry-level wages<sup>19</sup> for these top middle-skill jobs are higher than the \$17.39 per hour living wage. Descriptions for each occupational title can be found in Appendix B. Detailed supply and demand data analyzed for each occupation, including supply numbers by institutions is included in Appendix C.



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## **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

#### **Registered Nurses and RN-to-BSN Programs**

Focus group participants pointed out that the supply number for Registered Nurses is misleading because it overstates the number of *new* nurses that are being trained. The regional director for employment engagement explained that there are pre-licensure nursing programs, such as those provided by the community colleges, which are for students who do not currently hold a nursing license, and RN-to-BSN programs, which are for those who already are a registered nurse and have an associate's degree in nursing to earn their Bachelors of Science in Nursing. The institution with the highest number of awards for registered nurses, University of Phoenix, offers an RN-to-BSN program only; Brandman University also only offers an RN-to-BSN program.

Other institutions, such as California State University Fullerton, offer both types of programs. Due to the way IPEDS collects awards data, the COE cannot determine how many awards were conferred for pre-licensure programs versus RN-to-BSN programs at institutions that offer both programs (non-community college supply information is generated from CIP data which comes from the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System [nces.ed.gov/ipeds/use-the-data], also known as IPEDS). Therefore, the data presented in Exhibit 1 overstates the supply for registered nurses by an undeterminable amount of at least 455 awards because it is double-counting current registered nurses.

Recently created programs, such as Vanguard University's new pre-licensure program, are not included in the supply figures because their awards were conferred after the years 2015 through 2017 which were analyzed in this report.

Focus group participants suggested that an alternative method of measuring supply for registered nurses is by using pass rates for the NCLEX-RN exam from the California Board of Registered Nursing.<sup>20</sup> From 2015 to 2017, an annual average of 1,755 individuals that attended an educational institution in Orange County passed the NCLEX-RN exam. Additionally, some institutions listed by the Board of Registered Nursing are missing from the supply figures in this report.

#### Missing Supply Data

Focus group participants noted that awards for the University of San Francisco's Orange County Campus, Western Governors University, University of California-Irvine, and Vanguard University were not reported in the supply figures. There are a variety of reasons for why these institutions are not included in the data. The University of San Francisco offers a prelicensure Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) at its Orange County campus, which is beyond the scope of this report. Since Western Governors University is based in Utah, all awards, regardless of student location, are reported to IPEDS from the Utah campus; therefore, Western Governors University is not included in the supply figures in this report and the COE cannot determine the number of awards conferred to students in California. It is worth noting that Western Governors University is not currently accepting new applications for their pre-licensure nursing program "due to high demand and a limited number of clinical sites in Southern California." Though University of California-Irvine and Vanguard University have students that passed the NCLEX RN exam, they do not use the Registered Nursing CIP code (51.3801) when reporting to IPEDS, so the COE cannot determine the number of awards conferred by these institutions.

The regional director for employer engagement said that the supply numbers in this report also do not include data from Regional Occupational Programs (ROP) and local adult schools such as Huntington Beach Adult School, North Orange ROP, and Santa Ana Adult School. These institutions have training programs for Dental Assistants, Medical Assistants, and Personal Care Aides. Since these

"We are missing the ROPs. At the high school level, they are really providing that hands-on training for medical assistants. [Students] graduate as real medical assistants."

Regional Director for Employer Engagement

institutions did not report awards to IPEDS, they are not included in the supply figures in this report; therefore, the supply numbers for those occupations are likely understated.

#### **TOP Code Miscoding**

Focus group participants from the noncredit school, North Orange Continuing Education, noted that they are showing supply for the occupation, Physical Therapist Assistant (an average of 21 annual awards). However, they do not have a program

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> https://www.wgu.edu/online-nursing-health-degrees/rn-prelicensure-nursing-bachelors-program.html



<sup>20</sup> https://www.rn.ca.gov/education/passrates.shtml

corresponding to this occupation. They determined that this was a TOP code misalignment issue and would look into the matter locally. The removal of these awards does not alter the supply gap determination since the demand of 155 annual job openings for Physical Therapist Assistant is going unmet.

#### **Other Related Occupations**

Faculty members reported that some occupations for which they have programs were missing from this report. Some examples include Dietetic Technicians, Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians, and Morticians. There is a separate reason, however each is methodologically-based, why these three occupations are not specifically examined in this report. The first occupation mentioned, Dietetic Technicians, had less than 50 annual job openings and therefore, it did not meet the threshold to be included in the analysis, as defined in the methodology in Appendix A.

The second occupation, Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians was left out due to a change in how the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) aggregates similar occupations. The Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians occupation (formerly SOC code 29-2012) was grouped into the broader Clinical Laboratory Technologists and Technicians (SOC Code 29-2010) occupation in 2017. Therefore, data for Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technician and Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologists (formerly SOC code 29-2011), are included in the broader Clinical Laboratory Technologists and Technicians (SOC code 29-2010) occupation displayed in Exhibit 1.<sup>22</sup>

Finally, while the third occupation, Morticians is related to health programs, it is not included in this sector because it falls into a different sector based on the related TOP code, in this case, Business and Entrepreneurship. Even though these occupations are not specifically included in this report, the skills students learn in Health programs overall can be applied to several occupations and make students more employable across sectors.

#### Emerging Areas – Health IT and Nursing Informatics

Focus group participants identified emerging areas that are not fully captured in traditional labor market information such as Health Information Technology (HIT) and Nursing Informatics jobs and some of the career paths for these positions. According to the focus group participants, Nursing Informatics positions may be filled with nurses that have come from within the hospital or other frontline staff who cannot physically perform their role anymore due to physical limitations. These workers can then be re-trained in another area such as healthcare informatics. While HIT and Nursing Informatics are emerging areas, there is currently an oversupply of workers for Medical Records and Health Information Technicians (SOC code 29-2071), as displayed in Exhibit 3 on the following page. Additionally, while HIT workers are currently trained at the associate degree level, the regional director for employer engagement pointed out that the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA), has been pushing to move education requirements to the bachelor's degree level. Furthermore, Nursing Informatics is primarily taught at the master's degree level and is considered above middle-skill.

Exhibit 2. Health Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
29-1141	Registered Nurses	1,783	\$32.88	\$42.47
29-2061	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	652	\$20.63	\$25.57
29-2021	Dental Hygienists	235	\$29.86	\$45.68
29-2018	Clinical Laboratory Technologists and Technicians	234	\$19.29	\$27.21
31-9099	Healthcare Support Workers, All Other	156	\$18.09	\$21.23
31-2021	Physical Therapist Assistants	155	\$21.86	\$29.34
29-1126	Respiratory Therapists	144	\$29.49	\$35.32



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SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
29-2034	Radiologic Technologists	102	\$31.19	\$38.54
33-1099	First-Line Supervisors of Protective Service Workers, All Other	87	\$23.33	\$27.51
29-2055	Surgical Technologists	83	\$22.48	\$27.53
31-2011	Occupational Therapy Assistants	79	\$18.42	\$27.70
21-1094	Community Health Workers	54	\$19.79	\$23.58



# HEALTH MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS WITH ENTRY-LEVEL WAGES BELOW CALIFORNIA FAMILY NEEDS CALCULATOR

While it is important to understand which top middle-skill jobs have opportunities for increased program supply, it is also important to consider middle-skill occupations that have entry-level wages below the regional living wage but median wages above it. Since wages generally increase with additional experience and training, students could potentially earn self-sustaining wages with additional apprenticeship or work-based learning opportunities.

As seen in Exhibit 3, middle-skill Health jobs with entry-level wages below the regional living wage have a significant number of annual job openings (labor market demand).

Exhibit 3. Health Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Wages Below the California Family **Needs Calculator in Orange County:** Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply 1.305 Medical Assistants 463 578 **Medical Secretaries** 0 0 1,130 **Nursing Assistants** 853 Home Health Aides 25 0 773 **Dental Assistants 57 269** 711 Massage Therapists 508 Social and Human Service Assistants Demand 298 86 ■ Supply from CCs 316 **Pharmacy Technicians** 101 186 Supply from non-CCs Health Technologists and Technicians, All 169 14 Other Emergency Medical Technicians and **45** 0 **Paramedics** 162 **Phlebotomists** 2 2 Medical Records and Health Information 155 Technicians\* 36 193 150 **Dental Laboratory Technicians** 0 0 131 Veterinary Technologists and Technicians N/A Opticians, Dispensing N/A (Please note: \* indicates that the occupation has an 95 **Medical Equipment Preparers** oversupply of labor, and N/A indicates that no 0 0 community college program reported awards for this occupation or no community college program is **Medical Transcriptionists** available for this occupation.)



While these occupations have entry-level wages below the \$17.39 per hour California Family Needs Calculator, occupations such as Medical Secretaries; Social and Human Service Assistants; Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other; Phlebotomists; Medical Records and Health Information Technicians; Dental Laboratory Technicians; Veterinary Technologists and Technicians; Opticians, Dispensing; and Medical Equipment Preparers have median wages higher than the regional living wage as denoted via the gray shading in Exhibit 4.

Exhibit 4. Health Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Earnings Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
31-9092	Medical Assistants	1,305	\$13.86	\$16.72
43-6013	Medical Secretaries	1,164	\$14.67	\$1 <i>7.</i> 76
31-1014	Nursing Assistants	1,130	\$12.62	\$14.24
31-1011	Home Health Aides	853	\$11.07	\$12.12
31-9091	Dental Assistants	773	\$14.70	\$1 <i>7</i> .18
31-9011	Massage Therapists	711	\$11.92	\$14.08
21-1093	Social and Human Service Assistants	508	\$15.71	\$18.1 <i>7</i>
29-2052	Pharmacy Technicians	316	\$13.99	\$16.88
29-2099	Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other	237	\$17.14	\$19.98
29-2041	Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics	179	\$11.12	\$12.06
31-9097	Phlebotomists	162	\$16.95	\$19.70
29-2071	Medical Records and Health Information Technicians*	155	\$16.72	\$23.08
51-9081	Dental Laboratory Technicians	150	\$15.02	\$20.94
29-2056	Veterinary Technologists and Technicians	131	\$14.33	\$18.50
29-2081	Opticians, Dispensing	115	\$16.89	\$19.35
31-9093	Medical Equipment Preparers	95	\$16.07	\$19.35
31-9094	Medical Transcriptionists	51	\$13.94	\$16.98

## **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

#### Misalignment Between Titles and Duties

This sector brief uses occupational titles from the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system in the demand and supply exhibits, as identified and defined in Appendix B. Focus group participants noted that while the occupational title may match the job title used by employers, there is often a misalignment between the typical duties described in the occupational definition and in employers' job descriptions. For example, focus group participants said that Medical Secretaries typically answer the phones for patient inquiries and help the charge nurse. The regional director for employer engagement emphasized that Medical Secretaries are not typically involved with billing and coding, even though those duties are listed in the occupational definition. Regardless of whether or not the job title and occupational title align, actual job duties often differ from organization to organization and frequently do not align with the broad occupational definitions.



#### High Demand, Low Wages

Focus group participants acknowledged that there is high demand for several occupations, but many of them have low entry-level wages. Even though these occupations have low wages, focus group participants agreed that they are good pathway occupations that could help students gain experience for future advancement.

Additionally, the regional director for employer engagement stated that, in addition to education and experience, wages in the Health sector are also sometimes determined by the type of employer. Generally, Medical Assistants employed at a doctor's office will make less than at other places of employment, such as hospitals.

#### **Licenses and Certifications**

Focus group participants noted that several occupations analyzed in this report, such as Registered Nurse, Nursing Assistants, Pharmacy Technicians, and Dental Assistants require state licensure. However, there is no state licensure requirement for Medical Assistants. Faculty members pointed out that students tend to complete programs that have state licensure requirements because

"For medical assistant, a state certification isn't required yet. While it is good to have [an award], [students] don't need it to get employed, so they don't complete the medical assisting program, they just take a job. I think most of our [student] fallout is from that. – North Orange Continuing Education Faculty Member

they need to graduate from a Board-approved educational program.in order to sit for the exam. Since students do not need a license or certification to work as a Medical Assistant, completion rates tend to be lower for those programs.



## FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS - THE BIG PICTURE

Focus group participants addressed other issues and challenges that cannot be captured by traditional labor market information and provided insight on the tactics colleges and employers are currently using to address supply gaps in the Health sector.

#### **How Community Colleges are Filling Supply Gaps**

Focus group participants acknowledged the large supply gaps for occupations like Nursing Assistants and Home Health Aides. To address these supply gaps, some colleges have already created new programs or are planning to create new programs in these areas. Saddleback, Santa Ana, and Santiago Canyon have created or plan to create a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) program. Saddleback and North Orange Continuing Education are also creating Personal Care Aide programs. In addition to those programs, Saddleback has also created Medical Scribe and Phlebotomy programs.

#### How Employers are Filling Supply Gaps

According to focus group participants, employers are using several methods to address supply gaps. Faculty members noted that hospitals usually train current nurses to become specialty nurses such as Operating Room Nurses, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit Nurses, and Critical Care Nurses. Acute care hospitals are training their current nurses for specialty areas using online modules provided by professional training organizations or hospital developed programs. Faculty members also noted that Kaiser Permanente is opening its own medical imaging technology college to create a worker pipeline for Radiologic Technologists that can operate machinery for x-rays, ultrasounds, CT/CAT scans, and MRIs.

#### **Challenges in Expanding Programs**

Focus group participants identified several challenges to expanding programs in the Health sector. Many of these challenges, including the lack of dedicated lab space, difficulty hiring faculty and staff, and high costs for equipment, cut across all sectors. However, some unique challenges for the Health sector are the increased competition from online programs and clinical displacement. While there is a supply gap for many of the top middle-skill jobs, increasing program supply will require increasing clinical placements for students. However, securing clinical placements is difficult because there are limited number of slots in the region. Therefore, the region may not have the capacity to meet those needs.



### **KEY FINDINGS: HEALTH**

Based on the demand and supply data, as well as the focus group insights analyzed in this brief, the COE identified the following key research findings and recommendations:

# **Demand and Supply**

11,799 annual job openings

(labor market demand)

avera

5,911

average annual program awards (labor market supply)

5,888

supply gap (number of awards needed to close the gap)

# **Focus Group Key Findings and Recommendations**

# **Key Finding**

 Securing clinical placements is difficult because positions are limited: There are a limited number of clinical sites in the region and Orange County community colleges are competing with non-community college institutions to secure placements for their students.

2. Several Health occupations are in high demand but pay low wages: Even though there is a significant need for occupations such as Nursing Assistants and Home Health Aides, entry-level wages for these occupations are below the living-wage for one adult in Orange County.

## Recommendation

- 1. To increase clinical placement for Orange County community college students, the region could hire a regional clinical placement coordinator that works with all Orange County community colleges and employers to help place students. If hiring a regional position is not feasible, regional funding could be used to support this work occurring on a local level at the colleges. Placements can help students earn valuable hands-on experience and connections that can be useful when searching for a full-time position.
- 2. To help students move into occupations with higher wages, colleges could consider creating noncredit programs for high-demand, low wage occupations and create a noncredit-tocredit pipeline so students have a pathway to obtain additional education and experience that will help them earn better wages and advance their careers. Additionally, to help students better understand wage expectations and career progression, the Regional Director for Employer Engagement could work with faculty members and administrators to define common career paths and job titles within occupations. This information can then be shared with counselors so that students can learn about their career options and how their earnings potential changes with additional education and experience.



# **Key Finding**

- 3. Supply data for Health occupations is incomplete: The number of awards conferred by some non-community college institutions, such as Western Governors University and Regional Occupational Programs (ROP) are not included in the supply figures.

  Additionally, the supply numbers do not account for the differences between prelicensure nursing programs and Registered Nurse to Bachelor's of Science in Nursing (RN-to-BSN) programs. Without a complete picture of training providers and programs, the supply numbers may be understated for certain occupations.
- 4. Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSAs) for the sector have not been validated by employers: The OC Sector Analysis Project brief examines job gaps, but does not explore the specific KSAs taught at the colleges and compare them to the labor market's demand for Advanced Transportation and Logistics KSAs.

#### Recommendation

3. To better understand and quantify the supply of qualified students from programs at all educational institutions in Orange County, the COE should work with the Regional Director for Employer Engagement to identify existing Health programs in order to generate a complete list of training providers for Health occupations.

4. To determine if the region's community colleges are training for the right KSAs, the Health Regional Director for Employer Engagement should convene employers in a "regional advisory group" where employers can review program KSAs, provide feedback, and validate the KSAs' current relevance and demand in the labor market.



# INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES (ICT) AND DIGITAL MEDIA

Demand and Supply Analysis: Orange County

# INTRODUCTION

This sector brief is a product of the Orange County Sector Analysis Project. It provides information about the Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) and Digital Media sector in Orange County, one of Orange County's six priority sectors; it compares labor market demand with educational program supply for middle-skill jobs and provides qualitative information from experts in the field. Orange County community colleges could use the information in this report for strategic planning and discussions about program development, career pathways work, sector strategies, noncredit-to-credit pipelines, apprenticeship programs, and work-based learning opportunities.

All of the Orange County Sector Analysis Project briefs began with quantitative labor market demand and supply analysis; however, they also include qualitative information derived from the project's focus group discussions. Between July and August 2019, the Orange County Center of Excellence for Labor Market Research (COE) hosted a total of 12 sector-specific focus groups with regional stakeholders, including faculty and deans, as well as regional and state directors for employer engagement. Two of these focus groups were specific to the ICT and Digital Media sector. The objectives of the focus groups were to identify labor market supply gaps (supply gaps) in middle-skill jobs; understand where programs exist or do not exist to fill in the supply gaps; and discuss how Orange County's community colleges could close the supply gaps. Focus group participants reviewed the demand and supply analysis prior to meeting and provided intelligence regarding how they are working to close supply gaps as well as the challenges they encounter in their programs; this valuable information could not be captured via traditional labor market research methods. The COE recorded then analyzed these discussions which resulted in the "Focus Group Insights" sections throughout this brief, supplementing traditional, quantitative labor market data with important, qualitative information.

# Middle-Skill Jobs and Living Wage Introduction

In this brief, middle-skill jobs include: all occupations that require an educational requirement of some college, associate degree or apprenticeship; all occupations that require a bachelor's degree, but also have more than one-third of their existing labor force with an educational attainment of some college or associate degree; or all occupations that require a high school diploma or equivalent or no formal education, but also require short- to long-term on-the-job training.

In this brief, top middle-skill jobs are defined as jobs that have both the most labor market demand (annual job openings) and entry-level wages at or above the California Family Needs Calculator <sup>23</sup> (commonly known as a "living wage"). The living wage is the hourly wage that a single adult needs to earn in order to meet basic needs in Orange County, and is currently \$17.39 per hour. The living wage is defined by the California Family Needs Calculator, which calculates the income necessary to cover costs including housing, food, transportation, health care, and other basic necessities.

Entry-level wage is defined as the 25th percentile hourly wage, which means that 25% of all workers in that occupation earn equal to or below this amount. Percentile wages represent the distribution of wages for each occupation. Generally, workers with minimal education and experience can expect to earn wages near the 10th percentile. With the additional education and training students receive in community college programs, they are more likely to earn wages at the 25th percentile, rather than the 10th percentile. Generally, with even more education and experience, students could expect to progress and earn the median wage, which is defined as the 50th percentile hourly wage.

#### **Demand Introduction**

For the purpose of this report, labor market demand is determined by the number of annual job openings employers expect to fill due to job growth and employee turnover between 2018 and 2023. Job growth is when an employer experiences increased demand for products and hires new employees to increase production, while employee turnover is when an employer hires replacement workers for employees who leave the workforce or change occupations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> https://insightcced.org/2018-family-needs-calculator/



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# **Supply Introduction**

Supply is determined by the average annual-number of related awards (e.g., certificates, degrees) generated between 2015 and 2017 by the region's community colleges and other educational institutions (e.g., private providers) for the purpose of this report. However, it should be noted that a student may earn more than one award; therefore, supply may be overestimated for certain occupations.

Whether or not there is a supply gap is determined by the difference between the demand and supply. The methodology regarding how these numbers are calculated is described in Appendix A.

#### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

The Information and Communications Technology (ICT) and Digital Media was split into two focus groups that were held on different days and included a total of nine faculty members – one counselor and eight academic – and four administrators from six institutions, all of which were community colleges – that offered ICT and Digital Media programs in Orange County between 2015 and 2017. Both the statewide and regional director for employer engagement also attended one of the two focus groups.

Focus group participants identified several data limitations, challenges in expanding programs, and other issues that were common across multiple sectors. The cross-sector, common themes are expanded on and explained in further detail in the standalone Orange County Sector Analysis Project Executive Summary report. Focus group participants also reported on limitations and challenges that were unique to the ICT and Digital Media sector. This sector-specific information is highlighted throughout this report in the Focus Group Insights and the Focus Group Insights – The Big Picture sections.



# ICT AND DIGITAL MEDIA TOP MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS

This section compares Orange County's labor market demand for the top middle-skill jobs in ICT and Digital Media with program supply from the region's community colleges and non-community college providers (Exhibit 1). As seen in Exhibit 2, the entry-level wages<sup>24</sup> for these top middle-skill jobs are higher than the \$17.39 per hour living wage. Descriptions for each occupational title can be found in Appendix B. Detailed supply and demand data analyzed for each occupation, including supply numbers by institutions is included in Appendix C.

765 Computer User Support Specialists 140 42 408 Computer Occupations, All Other 5 7 400 **Graphic Designers** 160 16 Demand 352 Telecommunications Equipment Installers and N/A 0 Repairers, Except Line Installers ■ Supply from CCs 307 Network and Computer Systems 117 0 Administrators Supply from non-CCs 236 Web Developers 115 29 178 Computer Network Support Specialists 3 0 166 Telecommunications Line Installers and N/A O Repairers 128 **Producers and Directors** 80 0 127 Computer Network Architects 0 0 **56** Commercial and Industrial Designers 12 0 Surveying and Mapping Technicians

Exhibit 1. ICT and Digital Media Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County: Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply

(Please note: N/A indicates that no community college program reported awards for this occupation or no community college program is available for this occupation.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> In this report, entry-level wage is defined as the 25th percentile hourly wage, which means that 25% of all workers in the field earn equal to or below this amount.



### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

#### **Skills and Certifications**

Focus group participants noted that there is not a four-year degree specific to information technology, so employers focus on

skills and certifications when hiring workers. Faculty members and the regional director for employer engagement identified a number of certifications for which Orange County community college programs train. Certifications for IT programs include Cisco Network Assistant (CNA), Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA), Cisco Certified Entry Networking Technician (CCENT), Microsoft Certified Professional, and a variety of CompTIA certifications: A+, Linux+, Network+, and Security+. Digital Media certifications include Adobe and Avid certifications.

"I would say a majority of our students are in our classes because they're interested in earning a certification. They do not necessarily care about earning an award."

Irvine Valley College Faculty Member

Faculty said that students will often take a class in order to gain the skills to pass a third-party certification test. Once these students gain the necessary skills and/or certifications to find employment, they leave the program and do not complete their degree or certificate.

#### **New Programs**

Faculty and administrators identified three program areas, cloud technology, cybersecurity, and data analytics, in which they are either in the process of creating or plan to create new programs in the future. Focus group participants said that demand is high enough in these areas to have duplicative programs. One faculty member agreed that there was high demand, but raised the question of whether or not Orange County community colleges should have areas of specialization. This approach would allow students to take a sequence of core courses at any participating college in the region, then take specialty courses at another college, if they desire.

Exhibit 2. ICT and Digital Media Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
15-1151	Computer User Support Specialists	765	\$21.70	\$26.86
15-1199	Computer Occupations, All Other	408	\$27.90	\$40.40
27-1024	Graphic Designers	400	\$18.3 <i>7</i>	\$21.57
49-2022	Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers, Except Line Installers	352	\$20.62	\$26.45
15-1142	Network and Computer Systems Administrators	307	\$32.76	\$42.51
15-1134	Web Developers	236	\$21.85	\$27.91
15-1152	Computer Network Support Specialists	178	\$25.42	\$34.04
49-9052	Telecommunications Line Installers and Repairers	166	\$20.54	\$28.18
27-2012	Producers and Directors	128	\$23.40	\$29.08
15-1143	Computer Network Architects	127	\$38.56	\$51.61
27-1021	Commercial and Industrial Designers	56	\$24.45	\$29.93
17-3031	Surveying and Mapping Technicians	51	\$26.47	\$33.04



# ICT AND DIGITAL MEDIA MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS WITH ENTRY-LEVEL WAGES BELOW CALIFORNIA FAMILY NEEDS CALCULATOR

While it is important to understand which top middle-skill jobs have opportunities for increased program supply, it is also important to consider middle-skill occupations that have entry-level wages below the regional living wage but median wages near or above it. Since wages generally increase from entry-level to median earnings with additional experience and training, students could potentially earn self-sustaining wages with additional apprenticeship or work-based learning opportunities.

As seen in Exhibit 3, middle-skill ICT and Digital Media jobs with entry-level wages below the regional living wage have a significant number of annual job openings (labor market demand).

Exhibit 3. ICT and Digital Media Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Wages Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County:

Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply



While these occupations have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator of \$17.39 per hour, occupations such as Photographers; Audio and Video Equipment Technicians; and Multimedia Artists and Animators have median wages higher than the regional level wage, as denoted via the gray shading in Exhibit 4.

Exhibit 4. ICT and Digital Media Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Earnings Below the California Family Needs
Calculator in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
27-4021	Photographers	226	\$16.25	\$18.1 <i>5</i>
27-4011	Audio and Video Equipment Technicians	143	\$15.24	\$18.18
27-1014	Multimedia Artists and Animators	66	\$14.46	\$24.25



# **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS – THE BIG PICTURE**

Focus group participants addressed other issues and challenges that cannot be captured by traditional labor market information and provided insight on the tactics colleges and employers are currently using to address supply gaps in the ICT and Digital Media sector.

#### How Employers are Filling Supply Gaps

According to focus group participants, employers rely on expensive, third-party boot camps to find new workers. In general, boot camps can be a quick alternative to traditional educational programs offered at community colleges and four-year institutions. Focus group participants also noted that, in their experience, employers in this sector do not provide as much incumbent worker training as other areas.

#### **Emerging Areas**

Focus group participants identified a number of emerging areas for this sector, AR/VR, cloud technology, cybersecurity, data analytics, and game design. Faculty members pointed out that most of these fields should be considered multi-disciplinary and require skills from a variety of areas. For example, game design may involve character design, concept art, story development, and programming skills and data analytics skills can be used in a variety of business occupations. For these reasons, faculty members noted that programs have to be cross disciplinary to provide students with a variety of skills that will prepare them for multiple occupations.

#### **Creative Ways Colleges are Offering Programs**

Focus group participants discussed several creative ways they are offering programs and some of the challenges they face when developing new ways to offer programs:

- Faculty said that online courses with flexible schedules are appealing to students and have strong enrollment numbers. However, an Irvine Valley College faculty member noted that they are hesitant to move their courses online because students need hands on experience with equipment.
- Saddleback and Irvine Valley colleges reduced the length of their existing online courses from 16 weeks to eight
  weeks and found that enrollment increased in these courses. However, they found that students were able to pass the
  class, but were not able to pass the related certification exam.
- One college has created a 17-unit, semester-long certificate to help students gain skills and complete their award in a short amount of time. Similar semester-long programs could provide a less expensive alternative to boot camps.
   Other faculty members pointed out that this type of program would not be feasible if it includes courses that build on previous knowledge.
- Coastline College has created a cybersecurity apprenticeship program for students to learn cybersecurity techniques
  while training in a hands-on environment with an employer. Additionally, Coastline College also houses NetLab
  equipment so students throughout the region have access to training and virtual labs for IT and cybersecurity
  programs.
- In an effort to provide students with better career coaching, a Fullerton College faculty member works with
  counselors to walk them through requirements, course progression, and to get on the same page about transfer
  programs and requirements for students. While this effort is helpful, focus group participants noted that it is timeintensive and counseling offices have high turnover, so this knowledge will not always be passed on to other
  counselors.

#### **Challenges in Expanding Programs**

Focus group participants identified several challenges to expanding programs in the ICT and Digital Media sector. Many of these challenges, including the lack of dedicated lab space, difficulty hiring faculty and staff, and high costs for equipment, cut across all sectors. However, a unique challenge for the ICT and Digital Media sector is the difficulty in finding data for emerging areas, such as AR/VR, cloud technology, cybersecurity, and data analytics. Faculty and administrators said that data is not always clear for the skills, certifications, and education levels employers need to fill positions in these areas.



### **KEY FINDINGS: ICT AND DIGITAL MEDIA**

Based on the demand and supply data, as well as the focus group insights analyzed in this brief, the COE identified the following key research findings and recommendations:

# **Demand and Supply**

3,609

annual job openings (labor market demand) 968

average annual program awards (labor market supply)

2,641

supply gap (number of awards needed to close the gap)

# **Focus Group Key Findings and Recommendations**

# **Key Finding**

- A four-year degree for information technology does not exist, so employers focus on skills and certifications when hiring workers: Community colleges in Orange County train for a variety of certification, such as those offered by CompTIA and Cisco, but it is unclear which certifications employers value the most when making hiring decisions.
- 2. Finding data for emerging areas in the ICT and Digital Media sector makes it difficult to define the skills that should be taught in new programs: Traditional labor market information does not always capture new and emerging areas, so information related to skills, certifications, and education requirements are not always readily available.
- 3. Emerging areas in this sector require skills from a variety of disciplines: New and emerging areas such as Augmented Reality (AR) and Virtual Reality (VR), cloud technology, cybersecurity, data analytics, and game design require a diverse skill set that is not often found in a single discipline. For example, game design may involve character design, concept art, story development, and programming skills, while data analytics skills can be used in a variety of business occupations.

#### Recommendation

- To identify the most in-demand certifications, the Regional Director for Employer Engagement and faculty members could work with employers to determine which certifications they value the most. Once these certifications are identified, colleges could consider providing students with vouchers to take certification exams after they complete a degree or certificate.
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- 3. To diversify the skill set of students in ICT and Digital Media programs, faculty could work with their counterparts in other departments, such as business, to develop multi-disciplinary programs that will provide students with skills that could be used in multiple occupations.



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## **Key Finding**

4. Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSAs) for the sector have not been validated by employers: The OC Sector Analysis Project brief examines job gaps but does not explore the specific KSAs taught at the colleges and compare them to the labor market's demand for ICT and Digital Media KSAs.

## Recommendation

4. To determine if the region's community colleges are training for the right KSAs, the ICT and Digital Media Regional Director for Employer Engagement should convene employers in a "regional advisory group" where employers can review program KSAs, provide feedback, and validate the KSAs' current relevance and demand in the labor market.



# LIFE SCIENCES AND BIOTECHNOLOGY

Demand and Supply Analysis: Orange County

## INTRODUCTION

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## Middle-Skill Jobs and Living Wage Introduction

In this brief, middle-skill jobs include: all occupations that require an educational requirement of some college, associate degree or apprenticeship; all occupations that require a bachelor's degree, but also have more than one-third of their existing labor force with an educational attainment of some college or associate degree; or all occupations that require a high school diploma or equivalent or no formal education, but also require short- to long-term on-the-job training.

In this brief, top middle-skill jobs are defined as jobs that have both the most labor market demand (annual job openings) and entry-level wages at or above the California Family Needs Calculator<sup>25</sup> (commonly known as a "living wage"). The living wage is the hourly wage that a single adult needs to earn in order to meet basic needs in Orange County, and is currently \$17.39 per hour. The living wage is defined by the California Family Needs Calculator, which calculates the income necessary to cover costs including housing, food, transportation, health care, and other basic necessities.

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## **Demand Introduction**

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 $<sup>^{25}</sup>$  https://insightcced.org/2018-family-needs-calculator/



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# **Supply Introduction**

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Whether or not there is a supply gap is determined by the difference between the demand and supply. The methodology regarding how these numbers are calculated is described in Appendix A.

## **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

The Life Sciences and Biotechnology sector focus group included three faculty members and two administrators from three of the four community colleges that offered Life Sciences and Biotechnology programs in Orange County between 2015 and 2017. Both the statewide and regional director for employer engagement also attended the focus group. Life Sciences and Biotechnology is a relatively new sector for community colleges and is, by number of occupations, the smallest sector of all eight priority and emerging sectors.

The occupations in this brief do not match the occupations reported in 2017's statewide "Supply and Demand Analysis: Life Sciences & Biotech Middle Skills Workforce in California" report due to differing methodology. 26 This sector brief focuses on middle-skill occupations, while the statewide report included "pathway" occupations that would require at least a bachelor's degree or significant experience to gain employment. While several of the occupations analyzed in the statewide report may not meet the middle-skill definition used in this report, it is important to acknowledge them because prior work has been done to identify other occupations that are relevant to the Life Sciences and Biotechnology sector.

Focus group participants identified several data limitations, challenges in expanding programs, and other issues that were common across multiple sectors. The cross-sector, common themes are expanded on and explained in further detail in the standalone Orange County Sector Analysis Project Executive Summary report. Focus group participants also reported on limitations and challenges that were unique to the Life Sciences and Biotechnology sector. This sector-specific information is highlighted throughout this report in the Focus Group Insights and the Focus Group Insights — The Big Picture sections.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> coeccc.net/reports/Life\_Sciences\_Biotech\_Middle\_Skills\_Workforce\_1\_1



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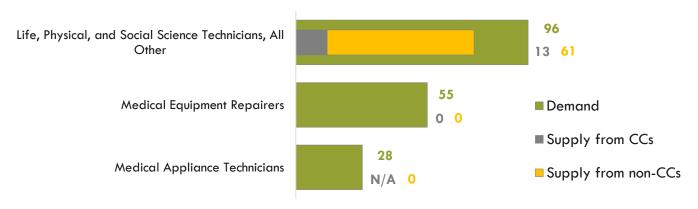
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## LIFE SCIENCES AND BIOTECHNOLOGY TOP MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS

This section compares Orange County's labor market demand for the top middle-skill jobs in Life Sciences and Biotechnology with program supply from the region's community colleges and non-community college providers (Exhibit 1). As seen in Exhibit 2, the entry-level wages <sup>27</sup> for these top middle-skill jobs are higher than the \$17.39 per hour living wage. Descriptions for each occupational title can be found in Appendix B. Detailed supply and demand data analyzed for each occupation, including supply numbers by institutions is included in Appendix C.

Exhibit 1. Life Sciences and Biotechnology Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County:

Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply



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## **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

## **Occupational Titles and Data Definitions**

This sector brief uses occupational titles from the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system in the demand and supply exhibits, as identified and defined in Appendix B. While standardized occupational titles are useful for classifying, collecting, and disseminating data in general, they may not be the exact job titles used by employers. According to the focus group discussion, companies often have "job titles" that are different than SOC occupational titles. While job descriptions may be similar, actual job titles differ from organization to organization, and employers may not provide accurate information about SOC occupational titles, especially if they do not match their company's job titles. This inconsistency highlights a shortcoming of the SOC system and could provide a challenge when attempting to validate data with employers.

## **Local Low-Unit Certificates**

The Life Sciences and Biotechnology sector focus group participants felt that supply data from traditional labor market information is limited; it does not capture locally issued low-unit certificates that are not reported to, or approved by, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO). According to focus group participants, Life Sciences and Biotechnology programs primarily attract industry professionals who are interested in upskilling or learning new skills for

"There was nothing [courses in this sector] back in 2012 and we started to build from there. We're seeing an uptick in enrollment, but it takes a while for people to realize what you're offering."

-Santiago Canyon College Faculty Member

their current jobs. However, the supply data does not capture students that take a small number of courses to gain additional skills if colleges do not report data for low-unit certificate programs. This could result in an under-reporting of the supply number.

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#### **Low Completion Numbers**

According to the demand and supply exhibits in this brief, the community colleges in Orange County are undersupplying for both top middle-skill jobs and jobs that have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator (CFNC), but median wages above the CFNC within this sector, as shown in the next section of this brief. According to the CCCCO's dashboard tool, LaunchBoard <sup>28</sup>, 379 (unduplicated) students took one or more courses in Life Sciences and Biotechnology programs in the 2016-17 program year in Orange County. However, in that same year, only 21 students earned a certificate or degree. Focus group participants provided the explanations below as to why supply numbers are so low:

- Students sometimes do not know that they have to complete and submit paperwork in order to earn their award. Multiple faculty members said they have set aside class time for students to complete the necessary paperwork, then either walk the students to the appropriate office to submit their paperwork or in some cases, even submit themselves.
- "A lot of students aren't aware that they have to file paperwork to get their award. I set aside class time for students to fill out the necessary paperwork then walk it over to the graduation office."
- The majority of community college students take courses part-time;
   therefore, they may take longer to complete certificates than full-time students. The focus group participants felt that the longer a students.
- Santa Ana College Faculty Member

time students. The focus group participants felt that the longer a student stays in a program, the lower the chance the student will complete the program.

Exhibit 2. Life Sciences and Biotechnology Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
19-4099	Life, Physical, and Social Science Technicians, All Other	96	\$17.45	\$23.32
49-9062	Medical Equipment Repairers	55	\$18.31	\$22.61
51-9082	Medical Appliance Technicians	28	\$18.56	\$24.52

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> calpassplus.org/Launchboard/Community-College-Pipeline.aspx



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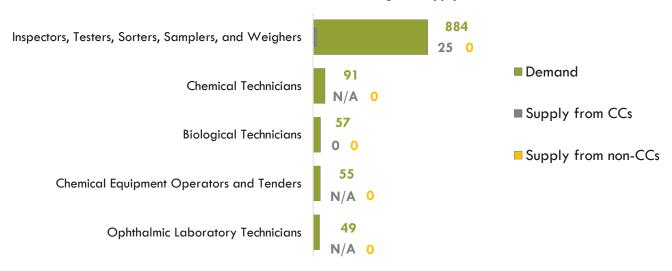
# LIFE SCIENCES AND BIOTECHNOLOGY MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS WITH ENTRY-LEVEL WAGES BELOW CALIFORNIA FAMILY NEEDS CALCULATOR

While it is important to understand which top middle-skill jobs have opportunities for increased program supply, it is also important to consider middle-skill occupations that have entry-level wages below the regional living wage but median wages near or above it. Since wages generally increase from entry-level to median earnings with additional experience and training, students could potentially earn self-sustaining wages with additional apprenticeship or work-based learning opportunities.

As seen in Exhibit 3, middle-skill Life Sciences and Biotechnology jobs with entry-level wages below the regional living wage have a significant number of annual job openings (labor market demand).

Exhibit 3. Life Sciences and Biotechnology Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Wages Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County:

Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply



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While these occupations have entry-level wages below the \$17.39 per hour California Family Needs Calculator, occupations such as Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers; Chemical Technicians; Biological Technicians; and Ophthalmic Laboratory Technicians have median wages higher than the regional living wage, as denoted by the gray shading in Exhibit 4.

Exhibit 4. Life Sciences and Biotechnology Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Earnings Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
51-9061	Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	884	\$14.46	\$18.78
19-4031	Chemical Technicians	91	\$16.64	\$19.40
51-9011	Chemical Equipment Operators and Tenders	55	\$12.46	\$16.85
19-4021	Biological Technicians	57	\$16.88	\$19.57
51-9083	Ophthalmic Laboratory Technicians	49	\$14.87	\$17.44



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## FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS - THE BIG PICTURE

Focus group participants addressed other issues and challenges that cannot be captured by traditional labor market information and provided insight on the tactics colleges and employers are currently using to address supply gaps in the Life Sciences and Biotechnology sector.

#### How Employers are Filling Supply Gaps

Focus group participants across all sectors reported that employers recruit heavily at four-year colleges for potential workers, even if a position does not require a bachelor's degree. In the Life Sciences and Biotechnology focus group, participants noted that there is anecdotal evidence that students taking community college courses tend to have stronger lab skills than their four-year college counterparts, who tend to have good theoretical knowledge, but limited lab skills. Faculty members shared that, in their experience, some technical skills are not taught at the four-year level. Participants shared that employers utilize staffing agencies in order to meet their workforce needs because they pre-screen candidates and provide a low-risk, fast-moving, pipeline of workers for companies.

#### **Employer Engagement**

Faculty from multiple colleges noted that they are working to connect students with employers that have a need for qualified workers. However, they shared that developing and maintaining continuous relationships with industry partners is time consuming and difficult. In their experience, oftentimes, companies are not interested in partnering with community colleges for new programs because of the long program approval periods and additional time it would take for students to complete the program.

#### **Skills and Certifications**

According to the focus group participants, many skills taught in community college Life Sciences and Biotechnology programs are transferable and are not exclusive to a single/particular job. For example, they shared that many skills taught in programs for quality assurance or quality control jobs can be used in other sectors (e.g., the food and beverage industry), and not only in the Life Sciences and Biotech sector.

Certifications are another way to demonstrate skill attainment according to focus group participants. Faculty members indicated that they are starting to train students for certifications such as Certified Quality Improvement Associate (CQIA) and are exploring other certifications such as Lean Six Sigma. However, faculty members noted that many students are either not able or willing to pay the high fee for the exams. Focus group participants reported that the American Society for Quality (ASQ), the certifying body for CQIA, does not accept vouchers, so colleges cannot help students pay for the exam.

#### **Challenges in Expanding Programs**

Focus group participants identified several challenges to expanding programs in the Life Sciences and Biotechnology sector. Many of these challenges, including the lack of dedicated lab space, difficulty hiring faculty and staff, and high costs for equipment, cut across all sectors. However, a unique challenge for the Life Sciences and Biotechnology sector is the difficulty in finding dual enrollment partners and integrating the K-12 system into a pathway. Focus group participants said that local high schools seem interested in a pathway for their students, but additional marketing and

"Dual enrollment is also a way to get the word out early and help students understand the sector earlier, but it will take time for programs to develop."

Fullerton College Faculty Member

recruiting is needed to attract students, particularly because of the emerging nature of this sector.

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## **KEY FINDINGS: LIFE SCIENCES AND BIOTECHNOLOGY**

Based on the demand and supply data, as well as the focus group insights analyzed in this brief, the COE identified the following key research findings and recommendations:

# Demand and Supply 1,315

annual job openings (labor market demand) 99

average annual program awards (labor market supply)

1,216

supply gap (number of awards needed to close the gap)

# **Focus Group Key Findings and Recommendations**

## **Key Finding**

- 1. Employers in this sector heavily recruit from four-year colleges, even if a position does not require a bachelor's degree: Even though employers tend to have a preference to hire students from four-year colleges, there is anecdotal evidence that students taking community college course have stronger lab skills than their four-year college counterparts. Additionally, some technical lab skills are not typically taught at four-year colleges, where training tends to be more theoretical.
- 2. Life Sciences and Biotechnology is a relatively new sector and attracting young students is difficult: Programs in this sector have historically attracted working professionals that are adding additional skills to advance in their current job. Because of the emerging nature of this sector, high school students are not always aware of Life Sciences and Biotechnology jobs and opportunities. Finding dual enrollment partners and integrating the K-12 system into a pathway has been difficult.
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## Recommendation

- To break down the bachelor's degree requirement with employers, the Regional Director for Employer Engagement and internship coordinators at each college could work with employers to show how Orange County community colleges are preparing students to meet employers' demand for qualified workers.
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# RETAIL, HOSPITALITY, AND TOURISM

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## **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

The Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism sector was split into two focus groups that were held on different days and included a total of eight faculty members and four administrators from eight institutions – six of the seven community colleges, and one noncredit school –that offered Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism programs in Orange County between 2015 and 2017. Both the statewide and regional director for employer engagement also attended one of the two focus groups.

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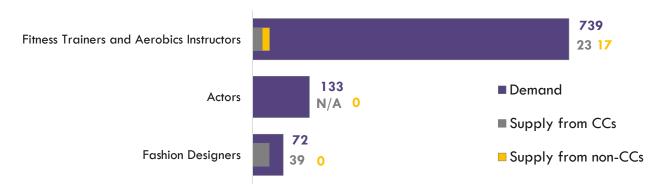


## RETAIL, HOSPITALITY, AND TOURISM TOP MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS

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Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply



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#### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

#### **Skills and Certifications**

Focus group participants noted that the community colleges provide numerous courses that are designed to add a skill or set of skills, but do not fully train for a specific occupation. Since this report uses awards as the measurement for supply, these courses are not captured in the data in this report. Focus group participants also noted that, in their experience, employers tend to higher based on skills rather than the degree or certificate students earn.

"[Employers] are looking for a specific skill. You could have an associate's degree, but if you don't have that skill, they would rather go with someone with that specific skill."

- Fullerton College Faculty Member

Certifications are another way to demonstrate skill attainment according to focus group participants. Faculty members indicated that they train students for certifications including Western Association of Food Chains (WAFC) Retail Management, ServSafe Food Handler and Manager, Council for Interior Design Qualification (CDIQ), FAA Flight Attendant Certification, Travel Agents Proficiency (TAP), and Personal Trainer (Sabre). At least one college, Orange Coast, offers advanced certificate programs in Culinary Arts and Baking/Pastry that are accredited by the American Culinary Federation (ACF). Students completing these certificates can also earn ACF Certification upon graduation.

#### Flight Attendants and Fashion Occupations

One faculty member pointed out that supply and demand data for Flight Attendants (SOC code 53-2031) was not included in the supply and demand analysis. Because this occupation had less than 50 annual job openings in Orange County, it did not meet the threshold to be included, as defined in the methodology in Appendix A. Another faculty member said that the demand for Fashion Designers (SOC code 27-1022) seemed low. There is a small demand for both these occupations in Orange County, but demand for these occupations is much larger in Los Angeles County. While this report focuses on Orange County, colleges should keep in mind that students live and work in surrounding counties where there may be greater demand for certain occupations.

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## **Low Completion Numbers**

According to the demand and supply exhibits in this brief, the community colleges in Orange County are undersupplying for both top middle-skill jobs and jobs that have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator (CFNC), but median wages above the CFNC within this sector, as shown in the next section of this brief. According to the CCCCO's dashboard tool, LaunchBoard 31, 5,632 (unduplicated) students took one or more courses in Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism programs in the 2016-17 program year in Orange County. However, in that same year, only 279 students earned a certificate or degree.

One reason for low completion numbers that some faculty members cited is that there is a high degree of turnover, particularly in retail and culinary, in this sector. Employers need workers to fill the high demand for jobs in these areas and it is relatively easy for students to find a job in the current labor market.

Other faculty members noted that it is common for students to find employment before completing their program, but upfront counseling to help students understand the importance of completing has helped increase persistence rates. Additionally, Orange Coast and Saddleback colleges have added a work experience component towards the end of their culinary and tourism programs to incentivize students to complete the program.

Exhibit 2. Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism Top Middle-Skill Jobs in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
39-9031	Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors	739	\$17.45	\$20.97
27-2011	Actors	133	\$20.91	\$22.94
27-1022	Fashion Designers	72	\$22.61	\$29.41

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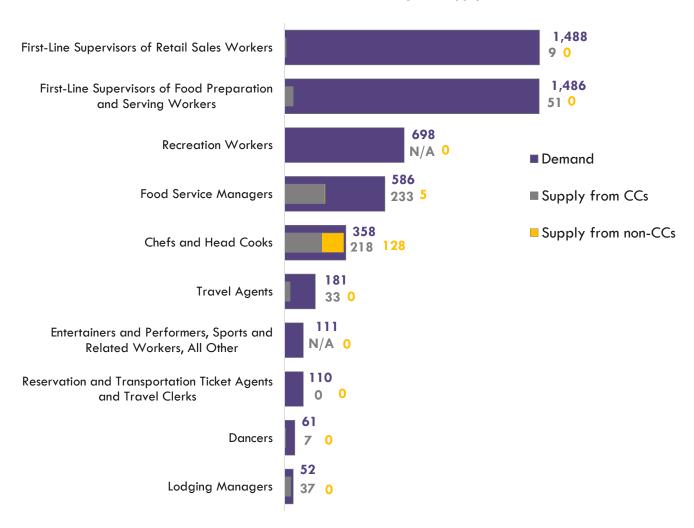
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# RETAIL, HOSPITALITY, AND TOURISM MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS WITH ENTRY-LEVEL WAGES BELOW CALIFORNIA FAMILY NEEDS CALCULATOR

While it is important to understand which top middle-skill jobs have opportunities for increased program supply, it is also important to consider middle-skill occupations that have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator but median wages above it. Since wages generally increase with additional experience and training, students could potentially earn self-sustaining wages with additional apprenticeship or work-based learning opportunities.

As seen in Exhibit 3, middle-skill Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism jobs with entry-level earnings below the California Family Needs Calculator have a significant number of annual job openings (labor market demand).

Exhibit 3. Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Wages
Below the California Family Needs Calculator in Orange County:
Labor Market Demand vs. Program Supply



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While these occupations have entry-level wages below the California Family Needs Calculator of \$17.39 per hour, occupations such as Food Service Managers; Chefs and Head Cooks; Travel Agents; Entertainers and Performers, Sports and Related Workers, All Other; Dancers; and Lodging Managers have median wages higher than the California Family Needs Calculator as denoted via the gray shading in Exhibit 4.

Exhibit 4. Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism Middle-Skill Jobs with Entry-Level Earnings Below the California
Family Needs Calculator in Orange County: Entry-Level and Median Wages

SOC Code	SOC (Occupational) Title	Demand (Annual Openings)	Entry-Level Wage (25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	Median Wage
41-1011	First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	1,488	\$13.15	\$16.63
35-1012	First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	1,486	\$12.60	\$15.01
39-9032	Recreation Workers	698	\$11.1 <i>7</i>	\$12.35
11-9051	Food Service Managers	586	\$13.24	\$20.71
35-1011	Chefs and Head Cooks	358	\$15.96	\$21.55
41-3041	Travel Agents	181	\$16.43	\$20.30
27-2099	Entertainers and Performers, Sports and Related Workers, All Other	111	\$14.48	\$19.58
43-4181	Reservation and Transportation Ticket Agents and Travel Clerks	110	\$13.71	\$1 <i>7</i> .09
27-2031	Dancers	61	\$16.93	\$19.70
11-9081	Lodging Managers	52	\$15.88	\$25.38

#### **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS**

#### High Demand, Low Wages

Focus group participants acknowledged that there is high demand for several occupations, but many of them have low entry-level wages. However, focus group participants agreed that they are good pathway occupations that would help students gain experience for future advancement, despite the low wages. An administrator from Saddleback College suggested that current credit programs for these low wage occupations could be restructured and moved to noncredit programs to help create noncredit-to-credit pipelines. Both Saddleback and Santa Ana colleges are currently exploring this option.

#### Wages for Chefs and Head Cooks

Focus group participants said that wages for the Chefs and Head Cooks occupation appeared low and that, in their experience, wages were much higher. While standardized occupational titles are useful for classifying, collecting, and disseminating data in general, they do not always provide a complete picture of the demand and wages for specific job titles. The Chefs and Head Cooks occupation includes several roles and titles, ranging from line cook, head cook, to executive chef. Entry-level positions that typically require less experience, like line cook, have low wages and bring the entry-level and median wages down for this occupation. Focus group participants said that colleges should train students on wage expectations for these different roles and how to progress from entry-level to higher-level positions.

#### Supply for Chefs and Head Cooks

A faculty member pointed out that at least one non-community college institution, Argosy University, has closed and will not be contributing to the supply numbers in the future. Since this report focuses on a historical time period, Argosy University is counted in the supply numbers and conferred an average of 124 awards annually for Chefs and Head Cooks from 2015 to 2017. Because Argosy will no longer provide training in the future, the supply for Chefs and Head Cooks will likely fall to 234 awards annually which may change the "Supply Met" classification to "Supply Gap" since the demand of 358 annual openings will no longer be met.



# **FOCUS GROUP INSIGHTS - THE BIG PICTURE**

Focus group participants addressed other issues and challenges that cannot be captured by traditional labor market information and provided insight on the tactics colleges and employers are currently using to address supply gaps in the Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism sector.

## How Employers are Filling Supply Gaps

Focus group participants across all sectors reported that employers recruit heavily at four-year colleges for potential workers, even if a position does not require a bachelor's degree. In the Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism focus group, participants noted the employers in this sector primarily rely on in-house training programs, such as the Disney University program, to fill supply gaps. While in-house program development may

"Many students get jobs with skills or a certificate. But in the job listing itself, what they [employers] are listing is a bachelor's degree."

Orange Coast College Faculty Member

be possible for some large companies like Disney, focus group participants said that this practice is not necessarily widespread. They noted that hotels have only recently started strengthening their internal training programs. Faculty members also remarked that employers hold onsite job fairs as well as attend on-campus job fairs at the community colleges. Additionally, focus group participants shared that some employers have begun paying higher wages and/or offering bonuses in order to attract more workers.

#### **Creative Ways Community Colleges are Offering Programs**

Focus group participants discussed several creative ways they are offering programs and some of the challenges they face when developing new ways to offer their programs:

- For many Orange County community colleges, their retail management, tourism, and fashion courses are now offered exclusively online in order to accommodate working students. Faculty and administrators noted that their all-online classes tend to fill faster than hybrid or in-person courses.
- At Saddleback College, one faculty member said that they invite former culinary students back to class to discuss their experiences and give advice to current students.
- Santa Ana College has created dual enrollment culinary courses for students enrolled in Santa Ana Unified and
   Orange Unified school districts so that high school students can earn college credit.

#### **Challenges in Expanding Programs**

Focus group participants identified several challenges to expanding programs in the Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism sector. Many of these challenges, including the lack of dedicated lab space, difficulty hiring faculty and staff, and high costs for equipment, cut across all sectors. Historically, a challenge unique to this sector is the competition from private culinary schools. However, faculty members noted that a number of private culinary schools have recently closed, which may provide an opportunity for community colleges to expand their programs.

#### **New Programs**

Faculty and administrators identified over a dozen new programs that they are either in the process of creating or plan to create in the near future. Several of these new programs will address new and emerging areas such as Farm-to-Table and environmental sustainability in both the culinary and fashion fields. Other programs will focus on the business and management side of hospitality and culinary and a fashion apprenticeship.



## **KEY FINDINGS: RETAIL, HOSPITALITY, AND TOURISM**

Based on the demand and supply data, as well as the focus group insights analyzed in this brief, the COE identified the following key research findings and recommendations:

# **Demand and Supply**

6,075

annual job openings (labor market demand) 800

average annual program awards (labor market supply)

5,275

supply gap (number of awards needed to close the gap)

# **Focus Group Key Findings and Recommendations**

## **Key Finding**

1. Completion numbers are low, but some colleges have found solutions to increase completion: In the 2016-17 academic year, 5,632 students took at least one Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism course in Orange County, but only 279 students earned a degree or certificate. There tends to be high turnover of workers in this sector, so it is relatively easy for students to find a job before completing. However, upfront counseling to help students understand the importance and value of completing has helped increase persistence rates at some colleges.

- Recommendation
- To increase completion rates of students in Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism programs colleges could focus on counseling efforts early in a student's course progression to help them understand the value of a degree or certificate. Colleges could also add a work experience component, such as an internship of work-based learning opportunity, towards the end of their programs to incentivize students to complete their degree or certificate.
- 2. Several Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism occupations are in high demand, but pay low wages: Even though there is a significant need for occupations such as First-Line Supervisors of Retail Workers and First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers, entry-level wages for these occupations are below the living-wage for one adult in Orange County.
- 2. To help students move into occupations with higher wages, colleges could consider creating noncredit programs for high-demand, low wage occupations and create a noncredit-tocredit pipeline so students have a pathway to obtain additional education and experience that will help them earn better wages and advance their careers.



## **Key Finding**

- 3. Wages for Chefs and Head Cooks could be misleading: Entry-level wages for Chefs and Head Cooks are below the regional living wage, which is currently \$17.36. However, this occupation includes several roles and titles, ranging from line cook to executive chef. While standardized occupational titles are useful for classifying, collecting, and disseminating data in general, they do not always provide a complete picture of the demand and wages for specific job titles. Prolific positions that are typically considered entry-level and require less experience, like line cooks, have low wages and bring the entry-level and median wages down for this occupation.
- 4. Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSAs) for the sector have not been validated by employers: The OC Sector Analysis Project brief examines job gaps but does not explore the specific KSAs taught at the colleges and compare them to the labor market's demand for Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism KSAs. Orange County community colleges offer several courses that are designed to provide students with additional skills, rather than train them for a specific occupation.

## Recommendation

- 3. To help students better understand wage expectations and career progression, the Regional Director for Employer Engagement could work with faculty members and administrators to define common career paths and job titles within occupations. This information can then be shared with counselors so that students can learn about their career options and how their earnings potential changes with additional education and experience.
- 4. To determine if the region's community colleges are training for the right KSAs, the Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism Regional Director for Employer Engagement should convene employers in a "regional advisory group" where employers can review program KSAs, provide feedback, and validate the KSAs' current relevance and demand in the labor market.



## APPENDIX A: METHODOLOGY AND DATA DEFINITIONS

The Centers of Excellence for Labor Market Research (COE) prepared this report by analyzing data from occupations and education programs. Occupational data is derived from Emsi, a software program that consolidates data from the California Employment Development Department (EDD), U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), and other government agencies. Program supply data is drawn from two systems: Taxonomy of Programs (TOP) and Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP).

The California Community Colleges (CCC) define "sectors" by TOP codes. To determine what occupations should be analyzed in each brief, the COE first reviewed the TOP codes associated with each sector and then matched them with the SOC codes. The six-digit TOP codes for each sector are included in the table below.

ector	TOP6 Program Name	TOP6 Code
	Aeronautical and Aviation Technology	0950.00
	Aircraft Electronics (Avionics)	0950.40
	Aircraft Fabrication	0950.50
	Appliance Repair	0935.10
	Computer Electronics	0934.10
	Electrical, Electronic, and Electro-Mechanical Drafting	0953.30
	Electronics and Electric Technology	0934.00
	Engineering Technology, General	0924.00
	Fashion Production	1303.30
	Industrial and Occupational Safety and Health	0956.70
	Industrial Electronics	0934.20
	Industrial Quality Control	0956.80
Advanced	Industrial Systems Technology and Maintenance	0945.00
Manufacturing	Instrumentation Technology	0943.30
	Laser and Optical Technology	0934.80
	Machining and Machine Tools	0956.30
	Manufacturing and Industrial Technology	0956.00
	Mechanical Drafting	0953.40
	Ocean Technology	1920.00
	Optics	0961.00
	Petroleum Technology	0954.30
	Plastics and Composites	0954.20
	Printing and Lithography	0963.00
	Surveying	0957.30
	Technical Illustration	0953.60
	Vacuum Technology	0943.30
	Welding Technology	0956.50
	Air Traffic Control	3020.30
	Alternative Fuels and Advanced Transportation Technology	0948.40
	Automotive Collision Repair	0949.00
Advanced	Automotive Technology	0948.00
Transportation and	Aviation Airframe Mechanics	0950.10
Logistics	Aviation and Airport Management	3020.10
	Aviation and Airport Management and Services	3020.00
	Aviation Powerplant Mechanics	0950.20
	Diesel Technology	0947.00



Sector	TOP6 Program Name	TOP6 Code
	Heavy Equipment Maintenance	0947.20
	Heavy Equipment Operation	0947.30
	Logistics and Materials Transportation	0510.00
	Marine Technology	0959.00
	Motorcycle, Outboard and Small Engine Repair	3020.20
	Piloting	3020.20
	Railroad and Light Rail Operations	0947.40
	Recreational Vehicle Service	0948.50
	Truck and Bus Driving	0947.50
	Upholstery Repair – Automotive	0949.10
	Business and Commerce, General	0501.00
	Accounting	0502.00
	Tax Studies	0502.10
	Banking and Finance	0504.00
	Business Administration	0505.00
	Business Management	0506.00
	Management Development and Supervision	0506.30
	Small Business and Entrepreneurship	0506.40
	Marketing and Distribution	0509.00
	Advertising	0509.10
Duration and a sound	Purchasing	0509.20
Business and Entrepreneurship	Sales and Salesmanship	0509.40
Limepreneorsinp	e-commerce (business emphasis)	0509.70
	Real Estate	0511.00
	Escrow	0511.10
	Insurance	0512.00
	Legal Office Technology	0514.10
	Customer Service	0518.00
	Other Business and Management	0599.00
	Mortuary Science	1255.00
	Massage Therapy	1262.00
	Custodial Services	3005.00
	Cosmetology and Barbering	3007.00
	Architectural Drafting	0953.10
	Architecture and Architectural Technology	0201.00
	Carpentry	0952.10
	Civil and Construction Management Technology	0957.00
	Civil Drafting	0953.20
Energy, Construction,	<del>-</del>	0952.00
and Utilities	Construction Crafts Technology	0957.20
	Construction Inspection	0957.20
	Drayfly and Investiga	
	Drywall and Insulation	0952.80
	Electrical	0952.20
	Electrical Systems and Power Transmission	0934.40
	Electro-Mechanical Technology	0935.00



Sector	TOP6 Program Name	TOP6 Code
	Energy Systems Technology	0946.10
	Environmental Control Technology	0946.00
	Glazing	0952.40
	Masonry, Tile, Cement, Lath and Plaster	0952.60
	Mill and Cabinet Work	0952.50
	Other Architecture and Environmental Design	0299.00
	Painting, Decorating, and Flooring	0952.70
	Plumbing, Pipefitting and Steamfitting	0952.30
	Public Works	2102.10
	Roofing	0952.90
	Sheet Metal and Structural Metal	0956.40
	Water and Wastewater Technology	0958.00
	Administrative Medical Assisting	1208.20
	Alcohol and Controlled Substances	2104.40
	Athletic Training and Sports Medicine	1228.00
	Cardiovascular Technician	1213.00
	Certified Nurse Assistant	1230.30
	Clinical Medical Assisting	1208.10
	Community Health Care Worker	1261.00
	Dental Assistant	1240.10
	Dental Hygienist	1240.20
	Dental Laboratory Technician	1240.30
	Dental Occupations	1240.00
	Diagnostic Medical Sonography	1227.00
	Dietetic Services and Management	1306.20
	Dietetic Technology	1306.60
	Electrocardiography	1215.00
	Electro-Neurodiagnostic Technology	1212.00
Health	Emergency Medical Services	1250.00
	Gerontology	1309.00
	Health Facility Unit Coordinator	1208.30
	Health Information Coding	1223.10
	Health Information Technology	1223.00
	Health Occupations, General	1201.00
	Home Health Aide	1230.80
	Hospital and Health Care Administration	1202.00
	Hospital Central Service Technician	1209.00
	Licensed Vocational Nursing	1230.20
	Medical Assisting	1208.00
	Medical Laboratory Technology	1205.00
	Medical Office Technology	0514.20
	Nursing	1230.00
	Nutrition, Foods, and Culinary Arts	1306.00
		1218.00
	Occupational Therapy Technology	1210.00



Sector	TOP6 Program Name	TOP6 Code
	Orthopedic Assistant	1214.00
	Other Health Occupations	1299.00
	Paramedic	1251.00
	Pharmacy Technology	1221.00
	Phlebotomy	1205.10
	Physical Therapist Assistant	1222.00
	Physicians Assistant	1206.00
	Polysomnography	1211.00
	Psychiatric Technician	1239.00
	Radiation Therapy Technician	1226.00
	Radiologic Technology	1225.00
	Registered Nursing	1230.10
	Respiratory Care-Therapy	1210.00
	School Health Clerk	1224.00
	Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology	1220.00
	Surgical Technician	1217.00
	Animation	0614.40
	Applied Photography	1012.00
	Broadcast Journalism	0604.30
	Commercial Art	1013.00
	Commercial Music	1005.00
	Computer Graphics and Digital Imagery	0614.60
	Computer Information Systems	0702.00
	Computer Infrastructure and Support	0708.00
	Computer Networking	0708.10
	Computer Programming	0707.10
	Computer Software Development	0707.00
	Computer Support	0708.20
	Computer Systems Analysis	0707.30
	Database Design and Administration	0707.20
ICT and Digital Media	Desktop Publishing	0614.50
	Digital Media	0614.00
	E-Commerce (technology emphasis)	0709.10
	Electronic Game Design	0614.20
	Film Production	0612.20
	Geographic Information Systems	2206.10
	Graphic Art and Design	1030.00
	Information Technology, General	0701.00
	Journalism	0602.00
	Mass Communications	0610.00
	Multimedia	0614.10
		0514.00
	Office Technology-Office Computer Applications	
	Other Information Technology	0799.00
	Other Media and Communications	0699.00
	Radio	0604.10



Sector	TOP6 Program Name	TOP6 Code
	Radio and Television	0604.00
	Software Applications	0702.10
	Technical Communication	0607.00
	Telecommunications Technology	0934.30
	Television (including combined TV-film-video)	0604.20
	Website Design and Development	0614.30
	World Wide Web Administration	0709.00
	Biomedical Instrumentation	0934.60
Life Sciences and	Biotechnology and Biomedical Technology	0430.00
Biotechnology	Chemical Technology	0954.00
0,	Electron Microscopy	0934.70
	Laboratory Science Technology	0955.00
	Aquatics and Lifesaving	0835.70
	Consumer Services	1301.10
	Culinary Arts	1306.30
	Display	0509.60
	Diving and Underwater Safety	0959.10
	Dry Cleaning	3008.00
	Family and Consumer Sciences, General	1301.00
	Fashion	1303.00
	Fashion Design	1303.10
Retail, Hospitality, and	Fashion Merchandising	1303.20
Tourism	Flight Attendant	3020.40
	Hospitality	1307.00
	Interior Design and Merchandising	1302.00
	Labor and Industrial Relations	0516.00
	Lodging Management	1307.20
	Office Management	0514.40
	Public Relations	0606.00
	Resort and Club Management	1307.30
	Restaurant and Food Services and Management	1307.10
	Retail Store Operations and Management	0506.50
	Travel Services and Tourism	3009.00



Using a TOP-SOC crosswalk, the COE then identified middle-skill jobs for which programs within these TOP codes train. The COE examined more than 850 occupational codes from the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC)<sup>32</sup> system and identified approximately 300 occupational codes as middle-skill jobs.

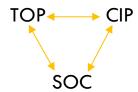
Middle-skill jobs include:

- All occupations that require an educational requirement of some college, associate degree or apprenticeship;
- All occupations that require a bachelor's degree, but also have more than one-third of their existing labor force with an
  educational attainment of some college or associate degree; or
- All occupations that require a high school diploma or equivalent or no formal education, but also require short- to longterm on-the-job training where multiple community colleges have existing programs.

For each sector, the COE analyzed occupations with a labor market demand of at least 50 annual job openings, with the exception of the Life Sciences and Biotechnology, which analyzed occupations with a demand of at least 28 annual openings. Life Sciences and Biotechnology is the smallest of all eight sectors and has a lower number of annual openings compared to those sectors. If the same 50 annual job openings threshold was used, there would have been only six occupations to analyze. (For comparison, the average and median demand for an occupation in Orange County is 307 and 63 annual job openings, respectively.) <sup>33</sup> The number of annual job openings estimates employment change and turnover for an occupation each year between 2018 and 2023. Annual job openings include:

- Job Growth: An employer experiences increased demand for products and hires new employees to increase production.
   If job growth is zero or negative, then any and all openings are due to replacement needs.
- Replacement Needs: An employer hires replacement workers for employees who leave the workforce or change
  occupations. Replacement rates are derived from national 10-year, occupation-specific percentages published by the
  U.S. BLS's Employment Projections program.

The COE then cross-referenced the SOC codes with CIP and TOP codes to compare labor market demand with program supply. The following diagram illustrates this process:



The COE determined labor market supply for an occupation or SOC code by analyzing the number of program completers or awards in a related TOP or CIP code. The COE developed a "supply table" with this information, which is the source of the program supply data for this report. TOP data comes from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office MIS Data Mart (datamart.cccco.edu) and CIP data comes from the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (nces.ed.gov/ipeds/use-the-data), also known as IPEDS. TOP is a system of numerical codes used at the state level to collect and report information on California community college programs and courses throughout the state that have similar outcomes. CIP codes are a taxonomy of academic disciplines at institutions of higher education in the United States and Canada. Institutions outside of the California community college system do not use TOP codes in their reporting systems.

Because a TOP/CIP code may train for more than one occupation, simply aggregating all supply from all related codes may overestimate supply for an occupation. Therefore, the COE de-duplicated TOP codes that trained for more than one occupation to avoid counting the program supply more than once. Doing so provides a more accurate representation of the supply gaps in the region by occupation. This information can be seen in the demand and supply tables in Appendix C of each study.

<sup>33</sup> Emsi. Data set 2019.2. QCEW Employees + Non-QCEW + Self-Employed. 2018-2023.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> SOC is a federal statistical standard used by EDD, BLS and other federal agencies to classify workers into occupational categories for the purpose of collecting, calculating, or disseminating data.

# **Qualitative Methodology**

An integral aspect of the Orange County Sector Analysis Project was the qualitative data collected during the project's focus groups. In May 2019, the COE created an advisory group comprised of the Orange County Regional Consortium Director as well as five CTE deans and directors that represented the four community college districts in Orange County. The advisory group created a process and timeline for inviting faculty and administrators to participate in focus groups to better understand where programs exist or do not exist to fill supply gaps and discuss how Orange County's community colleges could close the supply gaps for the county's eight priority and emerging sectors.

To create the invite list of faculty and administrators, Regional Directors for Employer Engagement and career education deans at each college were asked to identify faculty and administrators that could represent their respective colleges in the sector-specific focus groups. Once this list was compiled, the career education deans invited faculty and administrators to express their interest in participating in a focus group via email. The email introduced the COE, provided an overview of the Orange County Sector Analysis Project, described the goals of the focus groups, and informed faculty that they would be compensated for their participation, and that lunch would be provided for all participants. All those that stated their interest were then connected with the COE who managed the focus groups scheduling and details.

In order to be as inclusive as possible, 12 focus groups were scheduled for the eight sectors – four sectors had one focus group each and four sectors had two focus groups each, during a three-week period from July to August 2019. All focus groups participants received a confirmation email before the event that included the focus group agenda, their sector-specific draft brief, and a pre-assignment with questions based off of the information contained in the draft sector briefs. Focus group participants were instructed to complete and bring the pre-assignment to the convening so that they were prepared to discuss the data, the challenges they face in their programs, and strategies to close supply gaps. Each focus group was recorded, with permission of the participants, by the COE solely for transcription purposes.

The COE conducted no more than two focus group sessions per day. During the focus groups the Orange County Sector Analysis Project was explained and then the information contained in the draft sector briefs was presented in detail. Participants were encouraged to ask questions and engage in dialogue throughout the entire focus group session. The COE took notes of each discussion as well as recorded the sessions, with permission of the participants and solely for transcription purposes.

Following the conclusion of the focus groups, the COE compiled the audio files, transcripts, notes, and pre-assignments to conduct a qualitative analysis of the themes for each focus group and to identify commonalities across multiple focus groups. The findings from this analysis have been highlighted throughout this report in the "Focus Group Insight" sections.



## APPENDIX B: DEFINITIONS FOR MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS IN ALL SECTORS

The following definitions and sample job titles for each occupation are derived from O\*NET, the nation's primary source of occupational information. The O\*NET database contains hundreds of standardized and occupation-specific descriptors on nearly 1,000 occupations. O\*NET is developed and sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor.<sup>34</sup>

## **Advanced Manufacturing**

Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians (SOC 49-3011): Diagnose, adjust, repair, or overhaul aircraft engines and assemblies, such as hydraulic and pneumatic systems. Includes helicopter and aircraft engine specialists. Sample job titles include:

- Airframe and Powerplant Mechanic
- Helicopter Mechanic
- Aircraft Maintenance Technician
- Aircraft Technician

- Aircraft Mechanic
- Aircraft Restorer

**Civil Engineering Technicians (SOC 17-3022):** Apply theory and principles of civil engineering in planning, designing, and overseeing construction and maintenance of structures and facilities under the direction of engineering staff or physical scientists. Sample job titles include:

- Civil Engineering Technician
- Engineering Specialist
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- Engineering Assistant
- Engineer Technician
- Design Technician
- Civil Engineering Designer

Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators, Metal and Plastic (SOC 51-4011): Operate computer-controlled machines or robots to perform one or more machine functions on metal or plastic work pieces. Sample job titles include:

- Computer Numerical Control Technician
- Computer Numerical Control Machine Operator
- Computer Numerical Control Set-Up and Operator
- Machinist

- Computer Numerical Control Machinist
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Computer Numerically Controlled Machine Tool Programmers, Metal and Plastic (SOC 51-4012): Develop programs to control machining or processing of metal or plastic parts by automatic machine tools, equipment, or systems. Sample job titles include:

- Computer Numerical Control Programmer
- Computer Numerical Control Machinist
- Programmer
- Process Engineer

- Machine Operator
- Computer Numerical Control Machining Center Operator

**Electrical and Electronics Engineering Technicians (SOC 17-3023):** Apply electrical and electronic theory and related knowledge, usually under the direction of engineering staff, to design, build, repair, calibrate, and modify electrical components, circuitry, controls, and machinery for subsequent evaluation and use by engineering staff in making engineering design decisions. Sample job titles include:

- Digital Tech
- Calibration Technician
- Test Technician
- Electrical Technician
- Equipment Specialist
- Results Technician

<sup>34</sup> https://www.onetonline.org/



**Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment (SOC 49-2094):** Repair, test, adjust, or install electronic equipment, such as industrial controls, transmitters, and antennas. Sample job titles include:

• Field Service Technician

Technical Support Specialist

• Maintenance Technician

• Repair Technician

 Instrument and Control Technician

Scale Technician

**Engineering Technicians, Except Drafters, All Other (17-3029):** All engineering technicians, except drafters, not listed separately. Sample job titles include:

- Electrical Engineering Technologists (17-3029.02): Assist electrical engineers in such activities as process control, electrical power distribution, or instrumentation design. May prepare layouts of electrical transmission or distribution systems, supervise the flow of work, estimate project costs, or participate in research studies.
- Industrial Engineering Technologists (17-3029.05): Assist industrial engineers in such activities as quality control, inventory control, or material flow methods. May conduct statistical studies or analyze production costs.
- Manufacturing Engineering Technologists (17-3029.06): Develop tools, implement designs, or integrate machinery, equipment, or computer technologies to ensure effective manufacturing processes.
- Photonics Technicians (17-3029.08): Build, install, test, or maintain optical or fiber optic equipment, such as lasers, lenses, or mirrors, using spectrometers, interferometers, or related equipment.

**First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers (SOC 51-1011):** Directly supervise and coordinate the activities of production and operating workers, such as inspectors, precision workers, machine setters and operators, assemblers, fabricators, and plant and system operators. Sample job titles include:

• Production Supervisor

Operations Supervisor

• Molding Supervisor

Paper Machine Supervisor

Paper Products Supervisor

• Sawmill Supervisor

**Industrial Machinery Mechanics (SOC 49-9041):** Repair, install, adjust, or maintain industrial production and processing machinery or refinery and pipeline distribution systems. Sample job titles include:

Overhauler

Industrial Mechanic

Master Mechanic

Machine Adjuster

Loom Technician

Maintenance Technician

**Industrial Production Managers (SOC 11-3051):** Plan, direct, or coordinate the work activities and resources necessary for manufacturing products in accordance with cost, quality, and quantity specifications. Sample job titles include:

Production Manager

Site Manager

Production Support Supervisor

Quality Control Supervisor

• Biofuels Production Manager

Power Project Manager

Machinists (SOC 51-4041): Set up and operate a variety of machine tools to produce precision parts and instruments. Includes precision instrument makers who fabricate, modify, or repair mechanical instruments. May also fabricate and modify parts to make or repair machine tools or maintain industrial machines, applying knowledge of mechanics, mathematics, metal properties, layout, and machining procedures. Sample job titles include:

Tool Room Machinist

Gear Machinist

Senior Maintenance Machinist

Production Machinist

Utility Operator

Manual Lathe Machinist



Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (SOC 49-9071): Perform work involving the skills of two or more maintenance or craft occupations to keep machines, mechanical equipment, or the structure of an establishment in repair. Duties may involve pipe fitting; boiler making; insulating; welding; machining; carpentry; repairing electrical or mechanical equipment; installing, aligning, and balancing new equipment; and repairing buildings, floors, or stairs. Sample job titles include:

• Plant Maintenance Technician

• Facilities Engineer

Building Engineer

Stationary Engineer

Process Technician

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**Mechanical Drafters (SOC 17-3013):** Prepare detailed working diagrams of machinery and mechanical devices, including dimensions, fastening methods, and other engineering information. Sample job titles include:

Design Drafter

Tool Design Drafter

Piping Designer

• Drafting Technician

Product Designer

Installation Drafter

Molders, Shapers, and Casters, Except Metal and Plastic (SOC 51-9195): Mold, shape, form, cast, or carve products such as food products, figurines, tile, pipes, and candles consisting of clay, glass, plaster, concrete, stone, or combinations of materials. Sample job titles include:

Granite Cutter

Fabricator

• Neon Tube Bender

Neon Glass Blower

Mold Maker

Caster

**Printing Press Operators (SOC 51-5112):** Set up and operate digital, letterpress, lithographic, flexographic, gravure, or other printing machines. Includes short-run offset printing presses. Sample job titles include:

Digital Press Operator

Offset Press Operator

• Flexographic Press Operator

Web Offset Press Feeder

• Lithographic Press Operator

Web Pressman

Sheet Metal Workers (SOC 47-2211): Fabricate, assemble, install, and repair sheet metal products and equipment, such as ducts, control boxes, drainpipes, and furnace casings. Work may involve any of the following: setting up and operating fabricating machines to cut, bend, and straighten sheet metal; shaping metal over anvils, blocks, or forms using hammer; operating soldering and welding equipment to join sheet metal parts; or inspecting, assembling, and smoothing seams and joints of burred surfaces. Includes sheet metal duct installers who install prefabricated sheet metal ducts used for heating, air conditioning, or other purposes. Sample job titles include:

Sheet Metal Mechanic

Sheet Metal Installer

• Sheet Metal Layout Mechanic

 Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Sheet Metal Installer Sheet Metal Apprentice

Sheet Metal Fabricator

**Structural Iron and Steel Workers (SOC 47-2221):** Raise, place, and unite iron or steel girders, columns, and other structural members to form completed structures or structural frameworks. May erect metal storage tanks and assemble prefabricated metal buildings. Sample job titles include:

• Structural Steel Erector

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Fitter

Tower Hand

Rigger

Iron Worker

Steel Fabricator

Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers (SOC 51-4121): Use hand-welding, flame-cutting, hand soldering, or brazing equipment to weld or join metal components or to fill holes, indentations, or seams of fabricated metal products. Sample job titles include:

Maintenance Welder

Aluminum Welder

Wirer

Solderer

Production Welder

Refrigeration Brazer/Solderer

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# **Advanced Transportation and Logistics**

**Automotive Body and Related Repairers (SOC 49-3021):** Repair and refinish automotive vehicle bodies and straighten vehicle frames. Sample job titles include:

• Collision Technician

Body and Frame Technician

• Auto Body Painter

Refinish Technician

• Collision Repair Technician

Body Repairer

**Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics (SOC 49-3023):** Diagnose, adjust, repair, or overhaul automotive vehicles. Sample job titles include:

• Transmission Rebuilder

Service Technician

Truck Technician

 Automobile Mechanic (Auto Mechanic) Lube Technician

Trim Technician

**Bus Drivers, School or Special Client (SOC 53-3022):** Transport students or special clients, such as the elderly or persons with disabilities. Ensure adherence to safety rules. May assist passengers in boarding or exiting. Sample job titles include:

School Bus Driver

Special Needs Bus Driver

Shuttle Bus Driver

School Bus Driver/Mechanic

 School Bus Driver/Teacher Assistant

School Bus Driver/Custodian

**Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity (SOC 53-3021):** Drive bus or motor coach, including regular route operations, charters, and private carriage. May assist passengers with baggage. May collect fares or tickets. Sample job titles include:

• Motor Coach Operator

Bus Operator

• Transit Operator

• Charter Coach Driver

Tram Driver

• Tour Bus Driver

**Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists (SOC 49-3031):** Diagnose, adjust, repair, or overhaul buses and trucks, or maintain and repair any type of diesel engines. Includes mechanics working primarily with automobile or marine diesel engines. Sample job titles include:

Diesel Mechanic

Trailer Mechanic

• Truck Mechanic

• Transit Mechanic

Service Technician

General Repair Mechanic

Cargo and Freight Agents (SOC 43-5011): Expedite and route movement of incoming and outgoing cargo and freight shipments in airline, train, and trucking terminals, and shipping docks. Take orders from customers and arrange pickup of freight and cargo for delivery to loading platform. Prepare and examine bills of lading to determine shipping charges and tariffs. Sample job titles include:

• Transportation Broker

Yardmaster/Customer
 Service/Crew Dispatching

Traffic Clerk

Special Services Agent

Ocean Forwarder

Route Specialist



First-Line Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairer (SOC 49-1011): Directly supervise and coordinate the activities of mechanics, installers, and repairers. Excludes team or work leaders. Sample job titles include:

- Service Manager
- Maintenance Superintendent
- Equipment Maintenance Supervisor
- Maintenance Planner
- Maintenance Foreman
- Electrical Supervisor

**Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (SOC 53-3032):** Drive a tractor-trailer combination or a truck with a capacity of at least 26,000 pounds Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW). May be required to unload truck. Requires commercial drivers' license. Sample job titles include:

- Semi-Truck Driver
- Mixer Driver

- Line Haul Driver
- Tractor Trailer Operator
- Roll Off Driver
- Log Truck Driver

**Logisticians (SOC 13-1081):** Analyze and coordinate the logistical functions of a firm or organization. Responsible for the entire life cycle of a product, including acquisition, distribution, internal allocation, delivery, and final disposal of resources. Sample job titles include:

- Production Planner
- Logistics Engineer

- Systems Engineer
- Supply Chain Analyst
- Logistics Analyst

**Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines (SOC 49-3042):** Diagnose, adjust, repair, or overhaul mobile mechanical, hydraulic, and pneumatic equipment, such as cranes, bulldozers, graders, and conveyors, used in construction, logging, and surface mining. Sample job titles include:

- Equipment Mechanic
- Construction Equipment Mechanic
- Shop Technician
- Mechanic

- Heavy Equipment Technician
- Heavy Equipment Field Mechanic

**Production, Planning, and Expediting Clerks (SOC 49-3023):** Coordinate and expedite the flow of work and materials within or between departments of an establishment according to production schedule. Duties include reviewing and distributing production, work, and shipment schedules; conferring with department supervisors to determine progress of work and completion dates; and compiling reports on progress of work, inventory levels, costs, and production problems. Sample job titles include:

- Production Assistant
- Production Scheduler
- Production Planner
- Production Controller
- Inventory Control Specialist
- Material Coordinator

**Transportation Attendants, Except Flight Attendants (SOC 53-6061):** Provide services to ensure the safety and comfort of passengers aboard ships, buses, trains, or within the station or terminal. Perform duties such as greeting passengers, explaining the use of safety equipment, serving meals or beverages, or answering questions related to travel. Sample job titles include:

- Conductor
- Bus Attendant

- Transportation Aide
- School Bus Monitor

- Monitor
- Fare Enforcement Officer



## **Business and Entrepreneurship**

Administrative Services Managers (SOC 11-3011): Plan, direct, or coordinate one or more administrative services of an organization, such as records and information management, mail distribution, facilities planning and maintenance, custodial operations, and other office support services. Sample job titles include:

Facilities Director

Business Administrator

 Administrative Services Manager

Office Manager

• Administrative Officer

Advertising Sales Agents (SOC 41-3011): Sell or solicit advertising space, time, or media in publications, signage, TV, radio, or Internet establishments or public spaces. Sample job titles include:

Advertising Representative

Advertising Consultant

Sales Representative

 Display Advertising Sales Representative

**Appraisers and Assessors of Real Estate (SOC 13-2021):** Appraise real property and estimate its fair value. May assess taxes in accordance with prescribed schedules. Sample job titles include:

Tax Assessor

City Assessor

 Residential Real Estate Appraiser

County Assessor

• Staff Appraiser

Residential Fee Appraiser

**Barbers (SOC 39-5011):** Provide barbering services, such as cutting, trimming, shampooing, and styling hair, trimming beards, or giving shaves. Sample job titles include:

Barber

Barber Shop Operator

Hairdresser

Stylist

**Bill and Account Collectors (SOC 43-3011):** Locate and notify customers of delinquent accounts by mail, telephone, or personal visit to solicit payment. Duties include receiving payment and posting amount to customer's account; preparing statements to credit department if customer fails to respond; initiating repossession proceedings or service disconnection; and keeping records of collection and status of accounts. Sample job titles include:

Debt Collector

• Collection Specialist

Patient Access Specialist

Collection Agent

Telephone Collector

Credit Clerk

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**Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks (SOC 43-3031):** Compute, classify, and record numerical data to keep financial records complete. Perform any combination of routine calculating, posting, and verifying duties to obtain primary financial data for use in maintaining accounting records. May also check the accuracy of figures, calculations, and postings pertaining to business transactions recorded by other workers. Sample job titles include:

• Accounts Receivable Clerk

Accounting Clerk

Fiscal Technician

Accounts Payable Clerk

Accounting Assistant

**Brokerage Clerks (SOC 43-4011):** Perform duties related to the purchase, sale or holding of securities. Duties include writing orders for stock purchases or sales, computing transfer taxes, verifying stock transactions, accepting and delivering securities, tracking stock price fluctuations, computing equity, distributing dividends, and keeping records of daily transactions and holdings. Sample job titles include:

• Trading Assistant

Sales Trader

Operations Clerk

• Client Administrator

Sales Assistant

Client Service Associate

Claims Adjusters, Examiners, and Investigators (SOC 13-1031): Review settled claims to determine that payments and settlements are made in accordance with company practices and procedures. Confer with legal counsel on claims requiring litigation. May also settle insurance claims. Sample job titles include:

 Worker's Compensation Claims Examiner  Property Damage Claims Adjustor Investigator

• Reinsurance Claim Analyst

Claim Representative

Compensation, Benefits, and Job Analysis Specialists (SOC 13-1141): Conduct programs of compensation and benefits and job analysis for employer. May specialize in specific areas, such as position classification and pension programs. Sample job titles include:

Position Classification
 Specialist

Benefits AdministratorPersonnel Specialist

Compensation/Benefits Specialist

Compensation Consultant

Credit Counselors (SOC 13-2071): Advise and educate individuals or organizations on acquiring and managing debt. May provide guidance in determining the best type of loan and explaining loan requirements or restrictions. May help develop debt management plans, advise on credit issues, or provide budget, mortgage, and bankruptcy counseling. Sample job titles include:

Financial Wellness Coach

• Financial Aid Counselor

Financial Assistance Advisor

Financial Health Counselor

• Loan Counselor

Peer Financial Counselor

Customer Service Representatives (SOC 43-4051): Interact with customers to provide information in response to inquiries about products and services and to handle and resolve complaints. Excludes individuals whose duties are primarily installation, sales, or repair. Sample job titles include:

Customer Service Agent

Sales Facilitator

Social Worker

Member Services
 Representative

Member Services
 Representative

Patient Representative

**Data Entry Keyers (SOC 43-9021):** Operate data entry device, such as keyboard or photo composing perforator. Duties may include verifying data and preparing materials for printing. Sample job titles include:

Data Entry Clerk

Records Clerk

Data Transcriber

Data Entry Operator

Fiscal Assistant

Data Entry Machine Operator

**Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants (SOC 43-6011):** Provide high-level administrative support by conducting research, preparing statistical reports, handling information requests, and performing clerical functions such as preparing correspondence, receiving visitors, arranging conference calls, and scheduling meetings. May also train and supervise lower-level clerical staff. Sample job titles include:

Administrative Aide

Administrative Secretary

Personal Secretary

Executive Assistant

Staff Assistant

Office Administrator



**First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers (SOC 43-1011):** Directly supervise and coordinate the activities of clerical and administrative support workers. Sample job titles include:

Payroll Supervisor

Office Supervisor

• Billing Department Supervisor

Customer Service Manager

Clerical Supervisor

Team Manager

Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists (SOC 39-5012): Provide beauty services, such as shampooing, cutting, coloring, and styling hair, and massaging and treating scalp. May apply makeup, dress wigs, perform hair removal, and provide nail and skin care services. Sample job titles include:

Hair Stylist

Hairdresser

Cosmetologist

Beautician

Cosmetologist

**Human Resources Assistants, Except Payroll and Timekeeping (SOC 43-4161):** Compile and keep personnel records. Record data for each employee, such as address, weekly earnings, absences, amount of sales or production, supervisory reports, and date of and reason for termination. May prepare reports for employment records, file employment records, or search employee files and furnish information to authorized persons. Sample job titles include:

Personnel Assistant

• Personnel Associate

Employment Assistant

Human Resources Clerk

• Human Resources Technician

Human Resources Generalist

**Insurance Sales Agents (SOC 41-3021):** Sell life, property, casualty, health, automotive, or other types of insurance. May refer clients to independent brokers, work as an independent broker, or be employed by an insurance company. Sample job titles include:

• Insurance Agent

Sales Representative

Surety Bond Agent

Agent

**Legal Secretaries** (**SOC 43-6012**): Perform secretarial duties using legal terminology, procedures, and documents. Prepare legal papers and correspondence, such as summonses, complaints, motions, and subpoenas. May also assist with legal research. Sample job titles include:

Secretary

Magistrate Assistant

Legal Secretary

Paralegal

Litigation Assistant

Judicial Administrative Assistant

Loan Interviewers and Clerks (SOC 43-4131): Interview loan applicants to elicit information; investigate applicants' backgrounds and verify references; prepare loan request papers; and forward findings, reports, and documents to appraisal department. Review loan papers to ensure completeness, and complete transactions between loan establishment, borrowers, and sellers upon approval of loan. Sample job titles include:

Mortgage Loan Processor

Underwriter

Loan Clerk

Loan Processor

Mortgage Broker

Loan Analyst

**Loan Officers (SOC 13-2072):** Evaluate, authorize, or recommend approval of commercial, real estate, or credit loans. Advise borrowers on financial status and payment methods. Includes mortgage loan officers and agents, collection analysts, loan servicing officers, and loan underwriters. Sample job titles include:

Mortgage Loan Officer

Consumer Loan Officer

Small Business Banking Officer

Mortgage Broker

Branch Lending Officer

Personal Banking Officer



Manicurists and Pedicurists (SOC 39-5092): Clean and shape customers' fingernails and toenails. May polish or decorate nails. Sample job titles include:

Pedicurist

Manicurist

Nail Artist

• Nail Technician

• Fingernail Technician

**Parts Salespersons (SOC 41-2022):** Sell spare and replacement parts and equipment in repair shop or parts store. Sample job titles include:

Parts Clerk

Parts Professional

Parts Counterperson

Salesperson

Wholesale Parts Salesperson

**Payroll and Timekeeping Clerks (SOC 43-3051):** Compile and record employee time and payroll data. May compute employees' time worked, production, and commission. May compute and post wages and deductions or prepare paychecks. Sample job titles include:

Timekeeper

Personnel Assistant

Payroll Specialist

Payroll Technician

**Procurement Clerks (SOC 43-3061):** Compile information and records to draw up purchase orders for procurement of materials and services. Sample job titles include:

Purchasing Clerk

Procurement Assistant

Warehouse Technician

Purchasing Specialist

Property, Real Estate, and Community Association Managers (SOC 11-9141): Plan, direct, or coordinate the selling, buying, leasing, or governance activities of commercial, industrial, or residential real estate properties. Includes managers of homeowner and condominium associations, rented or leased housing units, buildings, or land (including rights-of-way). Sample job titles include:

Property Manager

Apartment Manager

Lease Administration Supervisor

• Resident Manager

On Site Property Manager

**Real Estate Brokers (SOC 41-9021):** Operate real estate office, or work for commercial real estate firm, overseeing real estate transactions. Other duties usually include selling real estate or renting properties and arranging loans. Sample job titles include:

Broker

Realtor

Designated Broker

Broker Associate

• Real Estate Sales Associate

Broker Assistant

**Real Estate Sales Agents (SOC 41-9022):** Rent, buy, or sell property for clients. Perform duties, such as study property listings, interview prospective clients, accompany clients to property site, discuss conditions of sale, and draw up real estate contracts. Includes agents who represent buyer. Sample job titles include:

Realtor

Sales Agent

Real Estate Broker Associate

Real Estate Salesperson

Sales and Related Workers, All Other (SOC 41-9099): All sales and related workers not listed separately. Data is not available for this type of title.



Sales Representatives, Services, All Other (SOC 41-3099): All services sales representatives not listed separately. Sample job title includes:

 Energy Auditors (41-3099.01): Buy or sell energy products on the behalf of residential or commercial customers or utilities. Negotiate and oversee contracts for energy sales.

Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products (SOC 41-4012): Sell goods for wholesalers or manufacturers to businesses or groups of individuals. Work requires substantial knowledge of items sold. Sample job titles include:

Account Executive

Sales Consultant

Account Manager

Account Representative

• Outside Sales Representative

Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive (SOC 43-6014): Perform routine clerical and administrative functions such as drafting correspondence, scheduling appointments, organizing and maintaining paper and electronic files, or providing information to callers. Sample job titles include:

Secretary

Office Assistant

Administrative Associate

School Attendance Secretary

Department Secretary

Staff Assistant

**Skincare Specialists (SOC 39-5094):** Provide skincare treatments to face and body to enhance an individual's appearance. Includes electrologists and laser hair removal specialists. Sample job titles include:

Esthetician

Facialist

Skin Care Specialist

Skin Care Specialist

Spa Technician

Tax Preparers (SOC 13-2082): Prepare tax returns for individuals or small businesses. Sample job titles include:

Tax Specialist

Income Tax Preparer

Tax Advisor

Tax Consultant

Tax Professional

**Tellers (SOC 43-3071):** Receive and pay out money. Keep records of money and negotiable instruments involved in a financial institution's various transactions. Sample job titles include:

Bank Teller

Personal Banking Representative

Customer Service Associate

Roving Teller

Member Services Representative

Customer Relationship Specialist

**Training and Development Specialists (SOC 13-1151):** Design and conduct training and development programs to improve individual and organizational performance. May analyze training needs. Sample job titles include:

• Training Coordinator

• Technical Trainer

Computer Training Specialist

Training Specialist

• Job Training Specialist

• Corporate Trainer



# **Energy, Construction, and Utilities**

Architectural and Civil Drafters (SOC 17-3011): Prepare detailed drawings of architectural and structural features of buildings or drawings and topographical relief maps used in civil engineering projects, such as highways, bridges, and public works. Use knowledge of building materials, engineering practices, and mathematics to complete drawings. Sample job titles include:

Architectural Technician

Intern Architect

• Drafting Technician

 Computer-Aided Drafting and Design Operator

**Brickmasons and Blockmasons (SOC 47-2021):** Lay and bind building materials, such as brick, structural tile, concrete block, cinder block, glass block, and terra-cotta block, with mortar and other substances to construct or repair walls, partitions, arches, sewers, and other structures. Sample job titles include:

Mason

Block Layer

Concrete Finisher

Bricklayer

Masonry Installer

Brick and Block Mason

Carpenters (SOC 47-2031): Construct, erect, install, or repair structures and fixtures made of wood, such as concrete forms; building frameworks, including partitions, joists, studding, and rafters; and wood stairways, window and door frames, and hardwood floors. May also install cabinets, siding, drywall and batt or roll insulation. Includes brattice builders who build doors or brattices (ventilation walls or partitions) in underground passageways. Sample job titles include:

Framer

Construction Worker

Form Carpenter

Production Worker

• Bridge Carpenter

Rough Carpenter

Construction and Building Inspectors (SOC 47-4011): Inspect structures using engineering skills to determine structural soundness and compliance with specifications, building codes, and other regulations. Inspections may be general in nature or may be limited to a specific area, such as electrical systems or plumbing. Sample job titles include:

Plumbing Inspector

Elevator Inspector

Building Inspector

Home Inspector

• Construction Inspector

 Construction Materials Testing Technician

Construction Managers (SOC 11-9021): Plan, direct, or coordinate, usually through subordinate supervisory personnel, activities concerned with the construction and maintenance of structures, facilities, and systems. Participate in the conceptual development of a construction project and oversee its organization, scheduling, budgeting, and implementation. Includes managers in specialized construction fields, such as carpentry or plumbing. Sample job titles include:

• Construction Superintendent

• Construction Area Manager

Project Superintendent

General Contractor

• Senior Site Manager

Construction Foreman

**Electricians (SOC 47-2111):** Install, maintain, and repair electrical wiring, equipment, and fixtures. Ensure that work is in accordance with relevant codes. May install or service street lights, intercom systems, or electrical control systems. Sample job titles include:

Maintenance Electrician

Industrial Electrician

Control Electrician

 Qualified Craft Worker, Electrician  Mechanical Trades Specialist, Electrician

Inside Wireman



First-Line Supervisors of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers (SOC 47-1011): Directly supervise and coordinate activities of construction or extraction workers. Sample job title includes:

• Construction Supervisor

• Working Supervisor

• Solar Installation Manager

• Field Supervisor

Welding Foreman

• Residential Field Manager

Glaziers (SOC 47-2121): Install glass in windows, skylights, store fronts, and display cases, or on surfaces, such as building fronts, interior walls, ceilings, and tabletops. Sample job titles include:

Glass Installer

• Glass Technician

Automobile Glass Technician

Commercial Glazier

Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers (SOC 49-9021): Install or repair heating, central air conditioning, or refrigeration systems, including oil burners, hot-air furnaces, and heating stoves. Sample job titles include:

Refrigeration Mechanic

Service Technician

Refrigeration Technician

Systems Mechanic

• Maintenance Mechanic

 Transportation Refrigeration Technician

**Insulation Workers, Mechanical (SOC 47-2132):** Apply insulating materials to pipes or ductwork, or other mechanical systems in order to help control and maintain temperature. Sample job titles include:

• Pipe Coverer

Heat and Frost Insulator

Mechanical Insulator

Sheet Metal Insulator

Scaffold Builder

Insulation Installer

Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators (SOC 47-2073): Operate one or several types of power construction equipment, such as motor graders, bulldozers, scrapers, compressors, pumps, derricks, shovels, tractors, or front-end loaders to excavate, move, and grade earth, erect structures, or pour concrete or other hard surface pavement. May repair and maintain equipment in addition to other duties. Sample job titles include:

• Scraper Operator

Loader Operator

Heavy Equipment Operator

Motor Grader Operator

• Excavator Operator

Roller Operator

**Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters (SOC 47-2152):** Assemble, install, alter, and repair pipelines or pipe systems that carry water, steam, air, or other liquids or gases. May install heating and cooling equipment and mechanical control systems. Includes sprinkler fitters. Sample job titles include:

Sprinkler Fitter

Steamfitter

Residential Plumber

Pipe Fitter

Service Plumber

Plumbing and Heating

**Reinforcing Iron and Rebar Workers (SOC 47-2171):** Position and secure steel bars or mesh in concrete forms in order to reinforce concrete. Use a variety of fasteners, rod-bending machines, blowtorches, and hand tools. Includes rod busters. Sample job titles include:

Rodbuster

Ironworker Foreman

Rodman

Steel Tier

Ironworker

Field Ironworker



**Solar Photovoltaic Installers (SOC 47-2231):** Assemble, install, or maintain solar photovoltaic (PV) systems on roofs or other structures in compliance with site assessment and schematics. May include measuring, cutting, assembling, and bolting structural framing and solar modules. May perform minor electrical work such as current checks. Sample job titles include:

• Photovoltaic Installer

Solar Tech

Solar Designer/Installer

• Solar Technician

• Solar Installer Technician

PV Installer Tech

**Stonemasons (SOC 47-2022):** Build stone structures, such as piers, walls, and abutments. Lay walks, curbstones, or special types of masonry for vats, tanks, and floors. Sample job titles include:

• Stone Setter

• Stone Repairer

Monument Setter

Tile Setter

Stone Paver



### **Health**

Clinical Laboratory Technologists and Technicians (SOC 29-2018): Perform routine or complex medical laboratory tests for diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of disease.

- Microbiology Technologist
- Cytogenetic Technologist
- Cytotechnologist
- Histology Technician
- Specimen Processor

Community Health Workers (SOC 21-1094): Assist individuals and communities to adopt healthy behaviors. Conduct outreach for medical personnel or health organizations to implement programs in the community that promote, maintain, and improve individual and community health. May provide information on available resources, provide social support and informal counseling, advocate for individuals and community health needs, and provide services such as first aid and blood pressure screening. May collect data to help identify community health needs. Sample job titles include:

- Community Health Promoter
- Community Health Outreach Worker
- Community Health Program Coordinator/Representative
- HIV Counseling and Testing Services Specialist

**Dental Assistants (SOC 31-9091):** Assist dentist, set up equipment, prepare patient for treatment, and keep records. Sample job titles include:

- Surgical Dental Assistant
- Orthodontic
   Assistant/Technician
- Certified/Registered Dental Assistant (CDA or RDA)
- Oral Surgery Assistant
- Expanded Function Dental Assistant
- Expanded Duty Dental Assistant

**Dental Hygienists (SOC 29-2021):** Clean teeth and examine oral areas, head, and neck for signs of oral disease. May educate patients on oral hygiene, take and develop x rays, or apply fluoride or sealants. Sample job titles include:

- Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH)
- Implant Coordinator
- Pediatric Dental Hygienist
- Oral Hygienist
- Dental Nurse

**Dental Laboratory Technicians (SOC 51-9081):** Construct and repair full or partial dentures or dental appliances. Sample job titles include:

• Dental Ceramist

**Dental Technician** 

- Crown and Bridge Dental
- Porcelain Technician/Finisher
- Orthodontic Laboratory
   Technician

**Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics (SOC 29-2041):** Assess injuries, administer emergency medical care, and extricate trapped individuals. Transport injured or sick persons to medical facilities. Sample job titles include:

- Paramedic
- Flight Paramedic
- Multi Care Technician
- Emergency Medical Technician/Dispatcher
- Emergency Medical Technician/Driver
- First Responder



First-Line Supervisors of Protective Service Workers, All Other (SOC 33-1099): All protective service supervisors not listed separately.

**Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other (SOC 29-2099):** All health technologists and technicians not listed separately. Sample job titles include:

- Neurodiagnostic Technologists (29-2099.01): Conduct electroneurodiagnostic (END) tests such as electroencephalograms, evoked potentials, polysomnograms, or electronystagmograms. May perform nerve conduction studies.
- Ophthalmic Medical Technologists (29-2099.05): Assist ophthalmologists by performing ophthalmic clinical functions and ophthalmic photography. Provide instruction and supervision to other ophthalmic personnel. Assist with minor surgical procedures, applying aseptic techniques and preparing instruments. May perform eye exams, administer eye medications, and instruct patients in care and use of corrective lenses. Not to be confused with Ophthalmic Medical Technicians (29-2057).
- Radiological Technicians (29-2099.06): Maintain and use equipment and supplies necessary to demonstrate portions of the human body on x-ray film or fluoroscopic screen for diagnostic purposes. Not to be confused with Radiological Technologists (29-2034).
- Surgical Assistants (29-2099.07): Assist surgeons during surgery by performing duties such as tissue retraction, insertion
  of tubes and intravenous lines, or closure of surgical wounds. Perform preoperative and postoperative duties to facilitate
  patient care. Not to be confused with Surgical Technologists (29-2055).

Healthcare Support Workers, All Other (SOC 31-9099): All healthcare support workers not listed separately. Sample job titles include:

- Speech-Language Pathology Assistants (31-9099.01): Assist speech-language pathologists in the assessment and treatment of speech, language, voice, and fluency disorders. Implement speech and language programs or activities as planned and directed by speech-language pathologists. Monitor the use of alternative communication devices and systems.
- Endoscopy Technicians (31-9099.02): Maintain a sterile field to provide support for physicians and nurses during endoscopy procedures. Prepare and maintain instruments and equipment. May obtain specimens.

Home Health Aides (SOC 31-1011): Provide routine individualized healthcare such as changing bandages and dressing wounds, and applying topical medications to the elderly, convalescents, or persons with disabilities at the patient's home or in a care facility. Monitor or report changes in health status. May also provide personal care such as bathing, dressing, and grooming of patient. Sample job titles include:

Home Attendant

- Direct Care Professional
- Certified Home Health Aide
- Residential Counselor
- In Home Caregiver

**Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (SOC 29-2061):** Care for ill, injured, or convalescing patients or persons with disabilities in hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, private homes, group homes, and similar institutions. May work under the supervision of a registered nurse. Licensing required. Sample job titles include:

- Triage Licensed Practical Nurse
- Pediatric Licensed Practical Nurse
- Private Duty Nurse
- Office Nurse

- Clinic Nurse
- Charge Nurse



Massage Therapists (SOC 31-9011): Perform therapeutic massages of soft tissues and joints. May assist in the assessment of range of motion and muscle strength or propose client therapy plans. Sample job titles include:

- Medical/Registered/Clinical/ Licensed Massage Therapist
- Licensed Massage Practitioner (LMP)
- Certified Massage Therapist
- Bodywork Therapist

Medical Assistants (SOC 31-9092): Perform administrative and certain clinical duties under the direction of a physician. Administrative duties may include scheduling appointments, maintaining medical records, billing, and coding information for insurance purposes. Clinical duties may include taking and recording vital signs and medical histories, preparing patients for examination, drawing blood, and administering medications as directed by physician. Sample job titles include:

- Chiropractor Assistant
- Clinical Assistant

Medical Office Assistant

- Certified Medical Assistant
- Registered Medical Assistant
- Doctor's Assistant

**Medical Equipment Preparers (SOC 31-9093):** Prepare, sterilize, install, or clean laboratory or healthcare equipment. May perform routine laboratory tasks and operate or inspect equipment. Sample job titles include:

- Sterilization Technician
- Sterile Processing and Distribution Technician
- Medical Supply Technician
- Certified Registered Central Service Technician
- Central Sterile Supply Technician (CSS Technician)
- Instrument Technician

Medical Records and Health Information Technicians (SOC 29-2071): Compile, process, and maintain medical records of hospital and clinic patients in a manner consistent with medical, administrative, ethical, legal, and regulatory requirements of the health care system. Process, maintain, compile, and report patient information for health requirements and standards in a manner consistent with the healthcare industry's numerical coding system. Sample job titles include:

- Health Information Specialist
- Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT)
- Release of Information Specialist
- Medical Records Technician
- Medical Coder
- Health Information Systems Technician

**Medical Secretaries (SOC 43-6013):** Perform secretarial duties using specific knowledge of medical terminology and hospital, clinic, or laboratory procedures. Duties may include scheduling appointments, billing patients, and compiling and recording medical charts, reports, and correspondence. Sample job titles include:

Unit Clerk

- Medical Office Specialist
- Unit Secretary

- Medical Receptionist
- Front Office Coordinator

Medical Transcriptionists (SOC 31-9094): Transcribe medical reports recorded by physicians and other healthcare practitioners using various electronic devices, covering office visits, emergency room visits, diagnostic imaging studies, operations, chart reviews, and final summaries. Transcribe dictated reports and translate abbreviations into fully understandable form. Edit as necessary and return reports in either printed or electronic form for review and signature, or correction. Sample job titles include:

- Transcriptionist
- Radiology Transcriptionist
- Pathology Transcriptionist
- Medical Transcriber
- Radiology
   Transcriptionist/Radiology
   Clerk



**Nursing Assistants (SOC 31-1014):** Provide basic patient care under direction of nursing staff. Perform duties such as feed, bathe, dress, groom, or move patients, or change linens. May transfer or transport patients. Includes nursing care attendants, nursing aides, and nursing attendants. Sample job titles include:

- Certified or Licensed Nursing Assistant (CNA or LNA)
- Patient Care Technician (PCT)
- State Tested Nursing Assistant (STNA)
- Patient Care Assistant (PCA)
- Geriatric Nursing Assistant (GNA)
- Certified Nurse Aide (CNA)

Occupational Therapy Assistants (SOC 31-2011): Assist occupational therapists in providing occupational therapy treatments and procedures. May, in accordance with State laws, assist in development of treatment plans, carry out routine functions, direct activity programs, and document the progress of treatments. Generally requires formal training. Sample job titles include:

- Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant (COTA)
- Staff Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant/Licensed (Staff COTA/L)
- Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant/Licensed (COTA/L)

Opticians, Dispensing (SOC 29-2081): Design, measure, fit, and adapt lenses and frames for client according to written optical prescription or specification. Assist client with inserting, removing, and caring for contact lenses. Assist client with selecting frames. Measure customer for size of eyeglasses and coordinate frames with facial and eye measurements and optical prescription. Prepare work order for optical laboratory containing instructions for grinding and mounting lenses in frames. Verify exactness of finished lens spectacles. Adjust frame and lens position to fit client. May shape or reshape frames. Includes contact lens opticians. Sample job titles include:

- Optical Technician
- Licensed Dispensing Optician
- Optometric Technician
- Optometric Assistant

**Pharmacy Technicians (SOC 29-2052):** Prepare medications under the direction of a pharmacist. May measure, mix, count out, label, and record amounts and dosages of medications according to prescription orders. Sample job titles include:

- Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT)
- Senior Pharmacy Technician
- Lead Pharmacy Technician
- Accredited Pharmacy Technician

**Phlebotomists** (**SOC 31-9097**): Draw blood for tests, transfusions, donations, or research. May explain the procedure to patients and assist in the recovery of patients with adverse reactions. Sample job titles include:

- Registered Phlebotomist
- Phlebotomy Program Coordinator
- Phlebotomist, Medical Lab Assistant
- Phlebotomy Technician

Patient Service Technician

Physical Therapist Assistants (SOC 31-2021): Assist physical therapists in providing physical therapy treatments and procedures. May, in accordance with State laws, assist in the development of treatment plans, carry out routine functions, document the progress of treatment, and modify specific treatments in accordance with patient status and within the scope of treatment plans established by a physical therapist. Generally requires formal training. Sample job titles include:

- Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA)
- Physical Therapy Technician
- Physical Therapist Assistant and Nurse Aide
- Per Diem Physical Therapist Assistant (Per Diem PTA)
- Certified Physical Therapist Assistant (CPTA)
- Licensed Physical Therapist Assistant



Radiologic Technologists (SOC 29-2034): Take x rays and CAT scans or administer nonradioactive materials into patient's blood stream for diagnostic purposes. Includes technologists who specialize in other scanning modalities. Sample job titles include:

- CAT Scan Technologist
- X-Ray Technologist
- Radiological Technologist
- Staff Radiographer
- Radiographer,
   Mammographer
- Mammography Technologist

Registered Nurses (SOC 29-1141): Assess patient health problems and needs, develop and implement nursing care plans, and maintain medical records. Administer nursing care to ill, injured, convalescent, or disabled patients. May advise patients on health maintenance and disease prevention or provide case management. Licensing or registration required. Includes Clinical Nurse Specialists. Sample job titles include:

- Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Staff Nurse

- Intensive Care Unit Nurse
- Critical Care Registered Nurse
- Pediatric/Psychiatric Clinical Nurse Specialist

Respiratory Therapists (SOC 29-1126): Assess, treat, and care for patients with breathing disorders. Assume primary responsibility for all respiratory care modalities, including the supervision of respiratory therapy technicians. Initiate and conduct therapeutic procedures; maintain patient records; and select, assemble, check, and operate equipment. Sample job titles include:

- Respiratory Care Practitioner
- Registered Respiratory Therapist
- Certified Respiratory Therapist
- Staff Therapist

 Cardiopulmonary Technician and EEG Tech (Cardiopulmonary Technician and Electroencephalogram Technician)

**Social and Human Service Assistants (SOC 21-1093):** Assist in providing client services in a wide variety of fields, such as psychology, rehabilitation, or social work, including support for families. May assist clients in identifying and obtaining available benefits and social and community services. May assist social workers with developing, organizing, and conducting programs to prevent and resolve problems relevant to substance abuse, human relationships, rehabilitation, or dependent care. Sample job titles include:

- Social Work Assistant
- Community Coordinator
- Residential Assistant
- Outreach Specialist
- Family Support Worker
- Addictions Counselor Assistant

**Surgical Technologists (SOC 29-2055):** Assist in operations, under the supervision of surgeons, registered nurses, or other surgical personnel. May help set up operating room, prepare and transport patients for surgery, adjust lights and equipment, pass instruments and other supplies to surgeons and surgeon's assistants, hold retractors, cut sutures, and help count sponges, needles, supplies, and instruments. Sample job titles include:

- Operating Room Technician/Technologist
- Certified Surgical Tech/First Assistant
- Certified Surgical Technologist (CST)
- Surgical Scrub
   Technician/Technologist
- Operating Room Surgical Technician
- Certified Surgical Technician



Veterinary Technologists and Technicians (SOC 29-2056): Perform medical tests in a laboratory environment for use in the treatment and diagnosis of diseases in animals. Prepare vaccines and serums for prevention of diseases. Prepare tissue samples, take blood samples, and execute laboratory tests, such as urinalysis and blood counts. Clean and sterilize instruments and materials and maintain equipment and machines. May assist a veterinarian during surgery. Sample job titles include:

- Veterinary Laboratory Technician
- Registered Veterinary Technician (RVT)
- Veterinary Nurse
- Veterinary Assistant
- Certified Veterinary Technician (CVT)
- Licensed Veterinary Technician (LVT)



## **ICT** and Digital Media

**Audio and Video Equipment Technicians (SOC 27-4011):** Set up, or set up and operate audio and video equipment including microphones, sound speakers, video screens, projectors, video monitors, recording equipment, connecting wires and cables, sound and mixing boards, and related electronic equipment for concerts, sports events, meetings and conventions, presentations, and news conferences. May also set up and operate associated spotlights and other custom lighting systems. Sample job titles include:

Audio Visual Technician

Video Editor

Technical Assistant

Videographer

• Television Technician

Stagehand

Commercial and Industrial Designers (SOC 27-1021): Develop and design manufactured products, such as cars, home appliances, and children's toys. Combine artistic talent with research on product use, marketing, and materials to create the most functional and appealing product design. Sample job titles include:

Package Designer

• Textile Designer

Product Designer

Toy Designer

Sign Designer

• Product Design Engineer

Computer Network Architects (SOC 15-1143): Design and implement computer and information networks, such as local area networks (LAN), wide area networks (WAN), intranets, extranets, and other data communications networks. Perform network modeling, analysis, and planning. May also design network and computer security measures. May research and recommend network and data communications hardware and software. Sample job titles include:

Network Analyst

Telecommunications Analyst

Telecommunication Systems
 Designer

Network Engineer

Computer Network Support Specialists (SOC 15-1152): Analyze, test, troubleshoot, and evaluate existing network systems, such as local area network (LAN), wide area network (WAN), and Internet systems or a segment of a network system. Perform network maintenance to ensure networks operate correctly with minimal interruption. Sample job titles include:

Systems Support Specialist

Network Technical Analyst

 Personal Computer Network Analyst

Network Technician

Senior IT Assistant

Computer Occupations, All Other (SOC 15-1199): All computer occupations not listed separately. Sample job titles include:

- **Web Administrators** (15-1199.03): Manage web environment design, deployment, development and maintenance activities. Perform testing and quality assurance of web sites and web applications.
- Geographic Information Systems Technicians (15-1199.05): Assist scientists, technologists, or related professionals in building, maintaining, modifying, or using geographic information systems (GIS) databases. May also perform some custom application development or provide user support.
- Database Architects (15-1199.06): Design strategies for enterprise database systems and set standards for operations,
  programming, and security. Design and construct large relational databases. Integrate new systems with existing
  warehouse structure and refine system performance and functionality.
- Business Intelligence Analysts (15-1199.08): Produce financial and market intelligence by querying data repositories
  and generating periodic reports. Devise methods for identifying data patterns and trends in available information
  sources.



Computer User Support Specialists (SOC 15-1151): Provide technical assistance to computer users. Answer questions or resolve computer problems for clients in person, or via telephone or electronically. May provide assistance concerning the use of computer hardware and software, including printing, installation, word processing, electronic mail, and operating systems. Sample job titles include:

Help Desk Technician

Desktop Support Specialist

PC Tech

- Information Technology Support Specialist
- Information Technology Analyst or Technician
- Technical Support Specialist

**Graphic Designers (SOC 27-1024):** Design or create graphics to meet specific commercial or promotional needs, such as packaging, displays, or logos. May use a variety of mediums to achieve artistic or decorative effects. Sample job titles include:

Visual Designer

Production Artist

Graphic Artist

Publications Designer

Multimedia Artists and Animators (SOC 27-1014): Create special effects, animation, or other visual images using film, video, computers, or other electronic tools and media for use in products or creations, such as computer games, movies, music videos, and commercials. Sample job titles include:

Digital Artist

Videographer

• Web Designer

• 3D Animator

Prop and Effects Designer

Production Assistant

Network and Computer Systems Administrators (SOC 15-1142): Install, configure, and support an organization's local area network (LAN), wide area network (WAN), and Internet systems or a segment of a network system. Monitor network to ensure network availability to all system users and may perform necessary maintenance to support network availability. May monitor and test Web site performance to ensure Web sites operate correctly and without interruption. May assist in network modeling, analysis, planning, and coordination between network and data communications hardware and software. May supervise computer user support specialists and computer network support specialists. May administer network security measures. Sample job titles include:

WAN or LAN Administrator

Network Coordinator

Systems Operator

Server Administrator

• Telecommunications Analyst

Systems Administrator

**Photographers (SOC 27-4021):** Photograph people, landscapes, merchandise, or other subjects, using digital or film cameras and equipment. May develop negatives or use computer software to produce finished images and prints. Includes scientific photographers, aerial photographers, and photojournalists. Sample job titles include:

• Portrait Photographer

Newspaper Photojournalist

Photojournalist

Advertising Photographer

• Commercial Photographer

Photo Editor

**Producers and Directors (SOC 27-2012):** Produce or direct stage, television, radio, video, or motion picture productions for entertainment, information, or instruction. Responsible for creative decisions, such as interpretation of script, choice of actors or guests, set design, sound, special effects, and choreography. Sample job titles include:

• Television Producer

Television Director

Casting Director

Radio Producer

Program Manager

• Production Director



**Surveying and Mapping Technicians (SOC 17-3031):** Perform surveying and mapping duties, usually under the direction of an engineer, surveyor, cartographer, or photogrammetric to obtain data used for construction, mapmaking, boundary location, mining, or other purposes. May calculate mapmaking information and create maps from source data, such as surveying notes, aerial photography, satellite data, or other maps to show topographical features, political boundaries, and other features. May verify accuracy and completeness of maps. Sample job titles include:

- Chainman
- Survey Technician
- Photogrammetric Technician
- Tax Map Technician

- Stereoplotter Operator
- Photogrammetric Compilation Specialist

Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers, Except Line Installers (SOC 49-2022): Install, set-up, rearrange, or remove switching, distribution, routing, and dialing equipment used in central offices or headends. Service or repair telephone, cable television, Internet, and other communications equipment on customers' property. May install communications equipment or communications wiring in buildings. Sample job titles include:

- Telephone Technician
- Communications Technician
- Satellite Specialist
- Telephone Repairer
- Broadband Technician

**Telecommunications Line Installers and Repairers (SOC 49-9052):** Install and repair telecommunications cable, including fiber optics. Sample job titles include:

- Lineman
- Cable Splicer

- Telecommunications
   Technician
- Splicing Technician
- Service Technician
- Outside Plant Technician

**Web Developers (SOC 15-1134):** Design, create, and modify Web sites. Analyze user needs to implement Web site content, graphics, performance, and capacity. May integrate Web sites with other computer applications. May convert written, graphic, audio, and video components to compatible Web formats by using software designed to facilitate the creation of Web and multimedia content. Sample job titles include:

- Web Designer
- Webmaster

- Web Development Instructor
- Web Design Specialist
- Web Content Developer
- Web Architect



### Life Sciences and Biotechnology

**Biological Technicians** (19-4021): Assist biological and medical scientists in laboratories. Set up, operate, and maintain laboratory instruments and equipment, monitor experiments, make observations, and calculate and record results. May analyze organic substances, such as blood, food, and drugs. Sample job titles include:

Biological Science
 Laboratory Technician

Biological Science Technician

Laboratory Technician

Chemical Equipment Operators and Tenders (51-9011): Operate or tend equipment to control chemical changes or reactions in the processing of industrial or consumer products. Equipment used includes devulcanizers, steam-jacketed kettles, and reactor vessels. Sample job titles include:

Chemical Operator

Production Operator

• Production Technician

Chemical Technicians (19-4031): Conduct chemical and physical laboratory tests to assist scientists in making qualitative and quantitative analyses of solids, liquids, and gaseous materials for research and development of new products or processes, quality control, maintenance of environmental standards, and other work involving experimental, theoretical, or practical application of chemistry and related sciences. Sample job titles include:

Chemical Analyst

Laboratory Analyst

• Formulation Technician

Inspectors, Testers, Samplers, and Weighers (51-9061): Inspect, test, sort, sample, or weigh nonagricultural raw materials or processed, machined, fabricated, or assembled parts or products for defects, wear, and deviations from specifications. May use precision measuring instruments and complex test equipment. Sample job titles include:

Inspector, Picker/Packer

Quality Assurance Auditor

Quality Assurance Inspector

Quality Control Inspector

• Quality Control Technician

Quality Inspector/Technician

**Life, Physical, and Social Science Technicians, All Other (19-4099):** All life, physical, and social science technicians not listed separately. For the purpose of this brief, the selected middle-skill job for the Life Sciences sector is:

- Quality Control Analysts (19-4099.01): Conduct tests to determine quality of raw materials, bulk intermediate and finished products. May conduct stability sample tests. Sample job titles include:
  - Analyst Microbiology Lab
  - Analytical Lab Analyst
  - Quality Control Technician
  - Quality Control Analyst
  - Quality Assurance Technician

**Medical Appliance Technicians (51-9082):** Construct, fit, maintain, or repair medical supportive devices, such as braces, orthotics and prosthetic devices, joints, arch supports, and other surgical and medical appliances. Sample job titles include:

 Hearing Aid Repair Technician • Prosthetic Technician

Certified Pedorthotist

**Medical Equipment Repairers (49-9062):** Test, adjust, or repair biomedical or electromedical equipment. Sample job titles include:

Bio Medical Technician

 Biomedical Equipment Technician Biomedical Electronics
 Technician

 Biomedical Engineering Technician



**Ophthalmic Laboratory Technicians (51-9083):** Cut, grind, and polish eyeglasses, contact lenses, or other precision optical elements. Assemble and mount lenses into frames or process other optical elements. Includes precision lens polishers or grinders, centerer-edgers, and lens mounters. Sample job titles include:

• Edger Technician

• Finishing Lab Technician

Optical Lab Technician



## Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism

Actors (SOC 27-2011): Play parts in stage, television, radio, video, motion picture productions, or other settings for entertainment, information, or instruction. Interpret serious or comic role by speech, gesture, and body movement to entertain or inform audience. May dance and sing. Sample job titles include:

Actress

Performer

Comedian

Voice-Over Artist

Narrator

Community Theater Actor

Chefs and Head Cooks (SOC 35-1011): Direct and may participate in the preparation, seasoning, and cooking of salads, soups, fish, meats, vegetables, desserts, or other foods. May plan and price menu items, order supplies, and keep records and accounts. Sample job titles include:

Sous Chef

• Banquet Chef

Kitchen Manager

Executive Chef

Line Cook

**Dancers (SOC 27-2031):** Perform dances. May perform on stage, for on-air broadcasting, or for video recording. Sample job titles include:

Ballet Dancer

Dance Artist

Soloist Dancer

Ballerina

Belly Dancer

Modern Dancer

Entertainers and Performers, Sports and Related Workers, All Other (SOC 27-2099): All entertainers and performers, sports and related workers not listed separately. No sample job titles reported.

**Fashion Designers (SOC 27-1022):** Design clothing and accessories. Create original designs or adapt fashion trends. Sample job titles include:

• Costume Designer

• Shoe Designer

Product Developer

• Sweater Designer

• Dance Costume Designer

• Pattern Designer

**First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers (SOC 35-1012):** Directly supervise and coordinate activities of workers engaged in preparing and serving food. Sample job titles include:

Kitchen Supervisor

Cafeteria Manager

Food Service Director

Food Service Supervisor

Restaurant Manager

Food Production Supervisor

First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (SOC 41-1011): Directly supervise and coordinate activities of retail sales workers in an establishment or department. Duties may include management functions, such as purchasing, budgeting, accounting, and personnel work, in addition to supervisory duties. Sample job titles include:

Store Manager

Shift Manager

Bakery Manager

Department Supervisor

Department Manager

Grocery Manager

Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors (SOC 39-9031): Instruct or coach groups or individuals in exercise activities.

Demonstrate techniques and form, observe participants, and explain to them corrective measures necessary to improve their skills. Sample job titles include:

Yoga Instructor

Group Fitness Instructor

Fitness Consultant

• Personal Trainer

Group Exercise Instructor

Certified Personal Trainer



**Food Service Managers (SOC 11-9051):** Plan, direct, or coordinate activities of an organization or department that serves food and beverages. Sample job titles include:

- Restaurant General Manager
- Restaurant Manager
- Dining Services Director
- Catering Director

- General Manager
- Food and Beverage Manager

**Lodging Managers (SOC 11-9081):** Plan, direct, or coordinate activities of an organization or department that provides lodging and other accommodations. Sample job titles include:

- Hotel Manager
- Resort Manager

- Front Desk Manager
- Bed and Breakfast Innkeeper
- Night Manager
- Front Office Manager

**Recreation Workers (SOC 39-9032):** Conduct recreation activities with groups in public, private, or volunteer agencies or recreation facilities. Organize and promote activities, such as arts and crafts, sports, games, music, dramatics, social recreation, camping, and hobbies, taking into account the needs and interests of individual members. Sample job titles include:

- Recreation Leader
- Activities Director

- Recreation Coordinator
- Recreation Assistant
- Activity Aide
- Activities Assistant

Reservation and Transportation Ticket Agents and Travel Clerks (SOC 43-4181): Make and confirm reservations for transportation or lodging, or sell transportation tickets. May check baggage and direct passengers to designated concourse, pier, or track; deliver tickets, contact individuals and groups to inform them of package tours; or provide tourists with travel or transportation information. Sample job titles include:

- Station Agent
- Reservationist

- Airline Ticket Agent
- Reservation Agent

- Tour Sales Representative
- Airport Sales Agent

**Travel Agents (SOC 41-3041):** Plan and sell transportation and accommodations for travel agency customers. Determine destination, modes of transportation, travel dates, costs, and accommodations required. May also describe, plan, and arrange itineraries and sell tour packages. May assist in resolving clients' travel problems. Sample job titles include:

- Travel Counselor
- Travel Consultant

- Corporate Travel Consultant
- Auto Travel Counselor
- Destination Specialist
- Beach Expert



### APPENDIX C: DEMAND AND SUPPLY DATA FOR ALL SECTORS

The following tables compare labor market demand and program supply by occupation, and are the underlying information for the exhibits in this brief. Because a TOP/CIP code may train for more than one occupation, simply aggregating all supply from all related codes may overestimate supply for that occupation. Therefore, the COE de-duplicated TOP codes that train for more than one occupation to avoid counting program supply more than once. This de-duplication process is denoted by the "Already Accounted For" statements in the tables on the following pages.

Additionally, the COE reviewed program data from the LaunchBoard <sup>35</sup> and the statewide COE Supply Table <sup>36</sup> and identified conflicting information. For certain occupations, LaunchBoard indicates that a college has a program for that occupation, but the COE Supply Table does not show program data for that college, and vice versa. These discrepancies are marked with the following:

+The COE Supply Table indicates that this college supplies awards for this TOP code, but this college is not listed in the LaunchBoard

\*LaunchBoard indicates that this college/school supplies awards for this TOP code, but this college is not listed in COE Supply Table

The COE provided these markings for the community colleges in the region to review potential miscoded programs at their respective colleges.

The demand and supply tables in the following pages have three categories:

- 1. **Supply Gap** If Average Annual Openings exceed Average Annual Awards by more than 25 percent, then the cell is shaded in green.
- 2. **Supply Met** If Average Annual Openings is within 25 percent +/- of Average Annual Awards, then the cell is shaded in blue.
- 3. **Oversupply** If Average Annual Awards exceed the Average Annual Openings by more than 25 percent, then the cell is shaded in red.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> coeccc.net/COE/media/SupplyandDemandPageDocuments/Supply-2014-17\_Feb-2018.xlsm



<sup>35</sup> calpassplus.org/LaunchBoard/Home.aspx

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OCCUPATIONAL TITLE	AVERAGE ANNUAL OPENINGS (2018-23)	SUPPLY GAP/ SUPPLY MET/ OVERSUPPLY	AVERAGE ANNUAL AWARDS (2015-17)	TOP6 TITLE	TOP6 OR CIP	COLLEGE	COLLEGE SUPPLY (3-YR AVG)	
First-Line Supervisors of	420	6 1 6	10	Industrial Systems Technology and	00.45.00	Fullerton+	2	
Production and Operating Workers	620	Supply Gap	10	Maintenance	0945.00	Santiago Canyon	8	
				Industrial Systems Technology and Maintenance	0945.00	Already Accounted For	0	
						Fullerton	6	
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	I Machinery Mechanics 207 Supply Gap	Supply Gap	23			Irvine	8	
,		,		Manufacturing and Industrial Technology	0956.00	Saddleback	6	
				, cc		Santa Ana	3	
						Orange Coast*	0	
						Coastline+	117	
				73 Electronics and Electric Technology	0934.00	Irvine	20	
						Orange Coast	7	
Electrical and Electronics	198	Supply Met	173		0934.00	Saddleback	17	
Engineering Technicians	170	Зарріў і іес	173	Liectionics and Liectife Technology		Santa Ana	10	
								North Orange Adult*
					CIP 15.0399	Southern California Institute of Technology	2	
Structural Iron and Steel Workers	184	Supply Gap	0	Sheet Metal and Structural Metal	0956.40	No Programs	0	
						Coastline	207	
						Irvine+	I	
					0506.30	Saddleback	25	
Industrial Production Managers	169	Oversupply	237	Management Development and	0506.30	Golden West*	0	
Industrial Production Managers	.07	С (С. заррі)	25,	Supervision		Cypress*	0	
						Orange Coast*	0	
					CIP 52.0204	Allied American University	4	
Civil Engineering Technicians	125	Supply Gap	3	Engineering Technology, General	0924.00	Santa Ana	3	



OCCUPATIONAL TITLE	AVERAGE ANNUAL OPENINGS (2018-23)	SUPPLY GAP/ SUPPLY MET/ OVERSUPPLY	AVERAGE ANNUAL AWARDS (2015-17)	TOP6 TITLE	TOP6 OR CIP	COLLEGE	COLLEGE SUPPLY (3-YR AVG)
						Irvine*	0
						Fullerton*	0
Electrical and Electronics				Flooring to the Flooring Tools also	0934.00	Already Accounted For	0
Repairers, Commercial and	88	Supply Gap	0	Electronics and Electric Technology	CIP 15.0399	Already Accounted For	0
Industrial Equipment				Industrial Electronics	0934.20	No Programs	0
				Engineering Technology, General	0924.00	Already Accounted For	0
				Industrial Electronics	0934.20	No Programs	0
Engineering Technicians, Except Drafters, All Other	87	Supply Gap	20	Plastics and Composites	0954.20	No Programs	0
Brancers, 7 th Other			-	Other Engineering and Related	2000.00	Coastline	20
				Industrial Technologies	0999.00	Santa Ana*	0
				Aeronautical and Aviation Technology	0950.00	Orange Coast	29
Aircraft Mechanics and Service	84	S 1 C	58	Aviation Airframe Mechanics	0950.10	Orange Coast	15
Technicians	84	Supply Gap	38	Aviation Powerplant Mechanics	0950.20	Orange Coast	14
				Aircraft Fabrication	0950.50	Orange Coats*	0
Computer Numerically Controlled Machine Tool Programmers, Metal and Plastic	61	Supply Gap	0	Manufacturing and Industrial Technology	0956.00	Already Accounted For	0
						Fullerton	8
				Architecture and Architectural Technology	0201.00	Orange Coast	45
				recimology		Saddleback	8
						Fullerton	7
Mechanical Drafters	56	Oversupply	109			Golden West	17
			Drafting Technology	0953.00	Irvine	3	
						Saddleback	I
						Santa Ana	19
				Mechanical Drafting	0953.40	Irvine+	ı



## DEMAND AND SUPPLY DATA FOR ADVANCED MANUFACTURING MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS WITH ENTRY-LEVEL WAGES BELOW CALIFORNIA FAMILY NEEDS CALCULATOR IN ORANGE COUNTY

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OCCUPATIONAL TITLE	AVERAGE ANNUAL OPENINGS (2018-23)	SUPPLY GAP/ SUPPLY MET/ OVERSUPPLY	AVERAGE ANNUAL AWARDS (2015-17)	TOP6 TITLE	TOP6 OR CIP	COLLEGE	COLLEGE SUPPLY (3-YR AVG)
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	1,474	Supply Gap	0	Industrial Systems Technology and Maintenance	0945.00	Already Accounted For	0
				Manufacturing and Industrial Technology	0956.00	Already Accounted For	0
Machinists	566	Supply Gap	175			Fullerton	4
				Machining and Machine Tools	0956.30	Orange Coast	64
						Santa Ana	84
						Fullerton	14
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	383	Supply Gap	42	Welding Technology	0956.50	Orange Coast	8
						Santa Ana	20
Printing Press Operators	244	Supply Gap	11	Printing and Lithography	0936.00	Fullerton	11
Friming Fress Operators	244	зорріу Эар	11	Frining and Limography	0730.00	Saddleback*	0
Computer-Controlled Machine Tool	243	Supply Gap	0	Manufacturing and Industrial Technology	0956.00	Already Accounted For	0
Operators, Metal and Plastic	243	зорргу Эйр	Ü	Machining and Machine Tools	0956.30	Already Accounted For	0
					0946.00	Cypress	87
					0740.00	Orange Coast	41
	2.45			Environmental Control Technology		Brownson Technical School	13
Sheet Metal Workers	241	Supply Gap	172	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	CIP 47.0201	InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	26
						InterCoast Colleges-Roseville	5
				Sheet Metal and Structural Metal	0956.40	No Programs	0
Molders, Shapers, and Casters, Except Metal and Plastic	50	Supply Gap	0	N/A	N/A	No Programs	0



# DEMAND AND SUPPLY DATA FOR ADVANCED TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS TOP MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS IN ORANGE COUNTY

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				Electrical Systems and	0934.40	Santiago Canyon	46
				Power Transmission	CIP 46.0301	InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	16
				Recreational Vehicle Service	0948.50	No Programs	0
First-Line Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers						Irvine	5
	357	Supply Met	319		0952.20	Santiago Canyon	25
		сарру гис		Electrical		North Orange Adult*	0
						Orange Coast*	0
					CIP 46.0302	InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	10
						InterCoast Colleges-Roseville	4
						Southern California Institute of Technology	213
Logisticians	209	Supply Gap	0	Logistics and Materials Transportation	0510.00	Already Accounted For	0
				Logistics and Materials Transportation	0510.00	Already Accounted For	0
Transportation, Storage, and Distribution Managers	119	119 Supply Gap	37	Aviation and Airport Management and Services	3020.00	Orange Coast	15
				Aviation and Airport Management	3020.10	Cypress	22



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				Logistics and Materials Transportation	0510.00	Already Accounted For	0
						Coastline	35
						Cypress	9
Cargo and Freight Agents 107					Golden West	5	
					0514.00	Irvine	4
	107 Oversupply	222	Office	0314.00	Saddleback	7	
				Technology/Office Computer Applications		Santa Ana	65
						Santiago Canyon	64
						North Orange Adult*	0
					CIP 52.0401	InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	I
					CIP 52.0408	United Education Institute-Anaheim	32
				Agricultural Power Equipment Technology	0116.00	No Programs	0
Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines	102	Supply Gap	49	Heavy Equipment	0947.20	Santa Ana+	28
	102	Зирріу Сар	7/	Maintenance	0747.20	Santiago Canyon*	0
				Heavy Equipment Operation	0947.30	Santiago Canyon	21



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Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	1093	Supply Gap	229	Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor	CIP 49.02.05	California Career School	229
						Cypress	183
						Fullerton	П
				Automotive Technology	0948.00	Golden West	37
Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics 721	721	Supply Gap	453	53		Saddleback	35
						Santa Ana	181
				Alternative Fuels and	00.40.40	Saddleback+	6
				Advanced Transportation Technology	0948.40	Golden West*	0
Production, Planning, and Expediting Clerks	587	Supply Gap	103	Logistics and Materials Transportation	0510.00	Coastline+	103
Bus Drivers, School or Special Client	271	Supply Gap	0	Truck and Bus Driving	CIP 49.0205	Already Accounted For	0
Automotive Body and Related Repairers	169	Supply Gap	22	Automotive Collision Repair	0949.00	Cypress	22
Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity	161	Supply Gap	0	Truck and Bus Driving	CIP 49.0205	Already Accounted For	0
Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	139	Supply Gap	37	Diesel Technology	0947.00	Santa Ana	37



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						Coastline	73
						Cypress	8
						Fullerton	14
						Golden West	23
					0502.00	Irvine	150
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing					0302.00	Orange Coast	24
Clerks	2,383	Supply Gap	618	Accounting		North Orange Adult*	0
						Saddleback	32
						Santa Ana	274
						Santiago Canyon	4
						InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	7
					CIP 52.0302	Southern California Institute of Technology	9
Sales Representatives, Services, All Other	2,009	Supply Gap	0	Sales and Salesmanship	0509.40	Orange Coast*	0
						Cypress*	0
						Coastline	207
					0506.30	Golden West*	0
				Management Development	0300.30	Irvine+	1
				and Supervision		Orange Coast*	0
First-Line Supervisors of Office and						Saddleback	25
Administrative Support Workers	1,986	Supply Gap	238		CIP 52.0204	Allied American University	4
					CIP 52.0205	University of Phoenix- California	1
				- C		Fullerton*	0
				E-Commerce (business emphasis)	0509.70	Golden West*	0
						Santiago Canyon*	0
				Office Management	0514.40	No Programs	0
				Sales and Salesmanship	0509.40	Orange Coast*	0
Insurance Sales Agents	1,216	Supply Gap	0	Insurance	0512.00	No Programs	0
Loan Officers	844	Supply Gap	4	Escrow	0511.10	Saddleback	4



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						Irvine*	0	
Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	779	Supply Gap	0	Office Technology/Office Computer Applications	0514.00	Already Accounted For	0	
				Sales and Salesmanship	0509.40	Already Accounted For	0	
						Coastline	5	
						Fullerton	1	
					051100	Irvine	13	
Real Estate Sales Agents	648	Supply Gap	49	Real Estate	0511.00	Orange Coast	4	
						Saddleback	16	
						Santiago Canyon	3	
					CIP 52.1501	Allied American University	7	
				Escrow	0511.10	Already Accounted For	0	
						Coastline	1	
						Fullerton*	0	
						Golden West	2	
					0501.00	North Orange Adult*	0	
				Business and Commerce,	0501.00	Orange Coast	4	
					General		Saddleback	11
						Santa Ana*	0	
						Santiago Canyon*	0	
						52.01.01	Argosy University-Orange County	1
						Coastline	760	
						Cypress+	163	
Administrative Services Managers	471	Oversupply	2,876			Fullerton	182	
						Golden West	145	
					0505.00	Irvine+	192	
						Orange Coast+	330	
				Business Administration		Saddleback	194	
						Santa Ana	196	
						Santiago Canyon	184	
						Allied American University	59	
						Bristol University	2	
					CIP 52.0201	Trident University International	1	
						University of Phoenix- California	1	
				Business Management	0506.00	Coastline	218	



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						Cypress	4				
						Fullerton	108				
						Golden West	6				
						Irvine	9				
						North Orange Adult∼^	15				
						Orange Coast	5				
						Santa Ana	32				
						Santiago Canyon	6				
				Management Development and Supervision	0506.30	Already Accounted For	0				
						Coastline	5				
						Cypress	8				
						Fullerton+	2				
				C 11 D		Golden West	1				
				Small Business and Entrepreneurship	0506.40	Irvine	11				
				zim opronostanp		Orange Coast*	0				
						Saddleback	2				
					Santa Ana	6					
						Santiago Canyon+	2				
									Other B. Sterrend		North Orange Adult∼^
				Other Business and Management	0599.00	Santa Ana*	0				
				Managemeni		Santiago Canyon*	0				
				Office Management	0514.40	No Programs	0				
Property, Real Estate, and Community Association Managers	455	Supply Gap	0	Real Estate	0511.00	Already Accounted For	0				
Training and Development Specialists	346	Supply Gap	7	Educational Technology	0860.00	Saddleback+	7				
Sales and Related Workers, All Other	311	Supply Gap	0	Sales and Salesmanship	0509.40	Already Accounted For	0				
Claims Adjusters, Examiners, and Investigators	289	Supply Gap	0	Insurance	0512.00	No Programs	0				
Payroll and Timekeeping Clerks	274	Supply Gap	0	Accounting	0502.00	Already Accounted For	0				
				Accounting	0502.00	Already Accounted For	0				
						Coastline*	0				
	Tax Preparers 243 Suppl					Golden West*	0				
Tax Preparers		Supply Gap	21	Tay Childian	0502.10	Irvine	17				
				Tax Studies	0302.10	Orange Coast*	0				
						Saddleback	4				
						Santa Ana*	0				



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Real Estate Brokers	212	Summly Cam	0	Real Estate	0511.00	Already Accounted For	0
Real Estate brokers	212	Supply Gap	U	Escrow	0511.10	Already Accounted For	0
				A alice satelines	0509.10	Orange Coast*	0
Advertising Sales Agents	211	Supply Gap	0	Advertising	0309.10	Cypress*	0
				Sales and Salesmanship	0509.40	Already Accounted For	0
Compensation, Benefits, and Job Analysis Specialists	83	Supply Gap	0	N/A	N/A	No Programs	0
Assessing and Assesses of Deal Fatata	79	S	0	Real Estate	0511.00	Already Accounted For	0
Appraisers and Assessors of Real Estate	/4	Supply Gap	U	Escrow	0511.10	Already Accounted For	0
						Coastline*	0
Coults Council on		6 - 1 - 6 -	0	D   *   F*	050400	Fullerton*	0
Credit Counselors	66	Supply Gap	0	Banking and Finance	0504.00	Golden West*	0
						Santa Ana*	0
Brokerage Clerks	65	Supply Gap	0	Accounting	0502.00	Already Accounted For	0



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				Sales and Salesmanship	0509.40	Already Accounted For	0
Customer Service Representatives	3,453	Supply Gap	0	Customer Service	0518.00	Santa Ana*	0
				Consumer Services	1301.10	Orange Coast*	0
						Coastline	35
						Cypress	9
						Golden West	5
					0514.00	Irvine	4
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants,				Office Technology/Office	0514.00	North Orange Adult*^	0
Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	2,835	Supply Gap	222	Computer Applications		Saddleback	7
						Santa Ana	65
						Santiago Canyon	64
					CIP 52.0401	InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	1
					CIP 52.0408	United Education Institute- Anaheim	32
						Fullerton	1
				International Business and	0508.00	Orange Coast	10
				Trade	0308.00	Saddleback	5
						Santa Ana	40
						Coastline*	0
						Cypress	9
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and						Fullerton	1
Manufacturing, Except Technical and	1,770	Supply Gap	86			Golden West	1
Scientific Products				AA . J. of J. Diverbook	0509.00	Irvine*	0
				Marketing and Distribution		Orange Coast	7
						Saddleback	2
						Santa Ana	2
						Santiago Canyon	4
					CIP 52.1401	Allied American University	3
				Sales and Salesmanship	0509.40	Already Accounted For	0



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				Display	0509.60	Orange Coast	1
						Fullerton	120
					0007.00	Golden West	100
					3007.00	Saddleback	121
						Santiago Canyon	65
						Advance Beauty College	505
						Asian-American International Beauty College	452
						Career Academy of Beauty	141
						Coastline Beauty College	114
						Coba Cosmetology Academy	21
Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists	1,079	Oversupply	2,303	Cosmetology and Barbering	CIPs Included 12.0401;	Colleen O'Haras Beauty Academy	62
					12.0402; 12.0406;	CRU Institute of Cosmetology and Barbering	32
					12.0409; 12.0410;	Hair California Beauty Academy	20
					12.0413	Paul Mitchell the School-Costa Mesa	169
						Real Barbers College	72
						Santa Ana Beauty Academy	33
						Santa Ana Beauty College	246
						Thanh Le College School of Cosmetology	30
Loan Interviewers and Clerks	734	Supply Gap	0	Banking and Finance	0504.00	Already Accounted For	0
Tellers	628	Supply Gap	0	Banking and Finance	0504.00	Already Accounted For	0
Manicurists and Pedicurists	577	Supply Gap	0	Cosmetology and Barbering	3007.00	Already Accounted For	0
Bill and Account Collectors	533	Supply Gap	0	Banking and Finance	0504.00	Already Accounted For	0
				Legal Office Technology	CIP 22.0301	South Coast College	5
						Coastline	71
					1402.00	Fullerton	50
Legal Secretaries	337	Supply Gap	231		1402.00	Irvine	30
Legal Secretaries	33/	оорргу Сир	231	Paralegal		Santa Ana	46
						Bristol University	5
					CIP 22.0302	InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	1
						South Coast College	23
Data Entry Keyers	300	Supply Gap	0	Office Technology/Office Computer Applications	0514.00	Already Accounted For	0
Parts Salespersons	255	Supply Gap	0	Sales and Salesmanship	0509.40	Already Accounted For	0



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Human Resources Assistants, Except Payroll and Timekeeping	193	Supply Gap	0	N/A	N/A	No Programs	0
Skincare Specialists	154	Supply Gap	0	Cosmetology and Barbering	3007.00	Already Accounted For	0
		Supply Gap	0	Purchasing	0509.20	Coastline*	0
Procurement Clerks	99			Office Technology/Office Computer Applications	0514.00	Already Accounted For	0
Barbers	82	Supply Gap	0	Cosmetology and Barbering	3007.00	Already Accounted For	0



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						Irvine	5
					0952.20	Santiago Canyon	25
					0732.20	North Orange Adult~^	10
Electricians	1,178	Supply Gap	267	Electrical		Orange Coast*	0
	ŕ	11,7				InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	10
					CIP 46.0302	InterCoast Colleges-Roseville	4
						Southern California Institute of Technology	213
						Fullerton	7
						Orange Coast	40
				Construction Crafts Technology	0952.00	Santa Ana+~	10
						North Orange Adult~^	0
						Santiago Canyon*	0
First-Line Supervisors of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers	1,044	Supply Gap	95			Coastline	16
						Fullerton+	5
				Construction Inspection	0957.20	Saddleback	3
						Orange Coast*	0
						Santiago Canyon*	0
				Public Works	2102.10	Santiago Canyon	14
Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	955	Supply Gap	0	Plumbing, Pipefitting and Steamfitting	0952.30	Orange Coast*	0



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						Coastline	I
						Golden West	2
						Orange Coast	4
					0501.00	Saddleback	Ш
				Business and Commerce,	0501.00	Santa Ana*	0
				General		Santiago Canyon*	0
Construction Managers	543	Supply Gap	24			Fullerton*	0
		Supply Sup				North Orange Adult*	0
					CIP 52.0101	Argosy University-Orange County	I
						Fullerton	5
				Civil and Construction	0957.00	Orange Coast*	0
				Management Technology	0937.00	Santa Ana*	0
						Santiago Canyon*	0
					0946.00	Cypress	87
					0746.00	Orange Coast	41
Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	418	Supply Gap	172	Environmental Control Technology		Brownson Technical School	13
				1 551110108/	CIP 47.0201	InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	26
						InterCoast Colleges-Roseville	5
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators	320	Supply Gap	21	Heavy Equipment Operation	0947.30	Santiago Canyon	21



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						Fullerton	8
				Architecture and Architectural Technology	0201.00	Orange Coast	45
				7 ti cinicocca ai 1 ccimio108/		Saddleback	8
		Supply Gap	115			Fullerton	7
						Golden West	17
Architectural and Civil Drafters	174			Drafting Technology	0953.00	Irvine	3
						Saddleback	1
						Santa Ana	19
				A 1: 15 (:	0953.10	Santa Ana	6
				Architectural Drafting		Irvine*	0
				Civil Drafting	0953.20	Irvine+	1
Construction and Building Inspectors	135	Supply Gap	0	Construction Inspection	0957.20	Already Accounted For	0
Glaziers	131	Supply Gap	0	Glazing	0952.40	No Programs	0



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				Carpontry	0952.10	Fullerton+	I
Carpenters	1470	Supply Gap	2	Carpentry	0732.10	Santiago Canyon	1
				Mill and Cabinet Work	0952.50	No Programs	0
	108			Energy Systems Technology	0946.10	Golden West	1
Solar Photovoltaic Installers		Supply Gap	4			Cypress*	0
Solar Photovoltaic installers					CIP 15.0505	Allied American University	3
				Roofing	0952.90	No Programs	0
Brickmasons and Blockmasons	88	Supply Gap	0	Masonry, Tile, Cement, Lath and Plaster	0952.60	No Programs	0
Insulation Workers, Mechanical	80	Supply Gap	2	Drywall and Insulation	0952.80	Santiago Canyon	2
Reinforcing Iron and Rebar Workers	72	Supply Gap	0	Sheet Metal and Structural Metal	0956.40	No Programs	0
Stonemasons	51	Supply Gap	0	Masonry, Tile, Cement, Lath and Plaster	0952.60	No Programs	0



### DEMAND AND SUPPLY DATA FOR TOP HEALTH MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS IN ORANGE COUNTY

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- # RN-to-BSN program
- ‡ RN-to-BSN and pre-licensure programs

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						Cypress	79		
					1230.10	Golden West	85		
					1230.10	Saddleback	212		
						Santa Ana	93		
						Brandman University#	21		
						California State University- Fullerton‡	259		
Registered Nurses	1,783	Supply Met	1,781	Registered Nursing		Career Networks Institute	84		
					Concordia University-Irvine	89			
					CIP 51.3801	Pacific College	18		
								Stanbridge College	10
						University of Phoenix- California#	434		
						West Coast University- Orange County	397		
					1230.20	Saddleback+	3		
						American Career College- Anaheim	116		
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational	652	Supply Met	532	Licensed Vocational Nursing		California Career Institute	43		
Nurses		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			CIP 51.3901	Career Networks Institute	121		
						Pacific College	94		
						Stanbridge College	155		
Dental Hygienists	235	Supply Gap	18	Dental Assisting/Assistant	CIP 51.0601	Already Accounted For	0		
Demai 11) gienisis	200	зирріу Сар	10	Dental Hygienist	1240.20	Cypress	18		



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						Irvine Valley*	0
				Biotechnology and	0430.00	Santa Ana*	0
				Biomedical Technology	0430.00	Santiago Canyon*	0
Clinical Laboratory Technologists and	234	Supply Gap	21			Fullerton*	0
Technicians				Electron Microscopy	0934.70	No Programs	0
				Laboratory Science Technology	0955.00	Fullerton+	1
				Medical Laboratory Technology	1205.00	Saddleback	20
				Health Facility Unit Coordinator	1208.30	No Programs	0
Healthcare Support Workers, All Other	156	Supply Gap	48	Speech/Language	1220.00	Orange Coast	23
				Pathology and Audiology	1220.00	Santa Ana	25
Physical Therapist Assistants	155	Supply Gap	21	Physical Therapist Assistant	1222.00	North Orange Adult∼^	21
	144		1 <i>57</i>		1210.00	Orange Coast	16
Respiratory Therapists		Supply Met		Respiratory Care/Therapy	CIP 51.0908	American Career College- Anaheim	65
					CIF 31.0708	Concorde Career College- Garden Grove	76
					1225.00	Cypress	58
Radiologic Technologists	102	Oversupply	134	Radiologic Technology	1225.00	Orange Coast	21
					CIP 51.0911	Modern Technology School	55
First-Line Supervisors of Protective Service Workers, All Other	87	Supply Gap	0	N/A	N/A	No Programs	0
						American Career College- Anaheim	48
Surgical Technologists	83	Supply Met	90	Surgical Technology/Technologist	CIP 51.0909	Career Networks Institute	41
				realifology/ realifologist		North-West College-Santa Ana	1
					1218.00	Santa Ana	52
Occupational Therapy Assistants	79	Oversupply	155	Occupational Therapy Technology	CIP 51.0803	American Career College- Anaheim	8
					5.1. 5 1.0003	Stanbridge College	95



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				Community Health Care Worker	1261.00	No Programs	0
		54 Supply Gap	0		Gerontology	1309.00	Already Accounted For
Community Health Workers	54			Human Services	2104.00	Already Accounted For	0
				Alcohol and Controlled	2104.40	Already Accounted For	0
				Substances	CIP 51.1501	Already Accounted For	0
				Disability Services	2104.50	North Orange Adult*	0



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				Medical Office Technology	0514.20	Coastline*	0					
						Orange Coast	34					
					1000.00	Saddleback	36					
					1208.00	North Orange Adult∼^	106					
						Santa Ana+	216					
						Allied American University	84					
						American Career College- Anaheim	195					
			1,041	Medical Assisting			8					
							24					
							149					
					CIP 51.0801	InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	7					
Medical Assistants	1,305 Supply Met	Supply Met		1,041	1,041	1,041	1,041	1,041			InterCoast Colleges-Roseville	4
								Modern Technology School	7			
						North-West College-Santa Ana	21					
						South Coast College	32					
						United Education Institute- Anaheim	47					
						Saddleback	28					
				Clinical Medical Assisting	1208.10	Orange Coast*	0					
						North Orange Adult*	0					
						Saddleback	22					
				Administrative Medical	1200 20	Santiago Canyon∼	21					
				Assisting	1208.20	Santa Ana*	0					
						North Orange Adult*	0					



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				Medical Office Technology	0514.20	Already Accounted For	0
Medical Secretaries	1,164	Supply Gap	0	Administrative Medical	1208.20	Already Accounted For	0
				Assisting	1200.20	Already Accounted For	0
Niverina Agrickounts	1.120	Summly Care	10	School Health Clerk	1224.00	California Career Institute+	10
Nursing Assistants	1,130	Supply Gap	10	Certified Nurse Assistant	1230.30	No Programs	0
				Home Health Aide	1230.80	No Programs	0
						Coastline	13
Home Health Aides	853	Summly Care	25			Cypress	4
nome nearm Aides	653	Supply Gap	25	Gerontology	1309.00	Saddleback	8
						Santa Ana*	0
						Santiago*	0
						American Career College- Anaheim	70
					CIP 51.0601	Concorde Career College- Garden Grove	147
Dental Assistants	773	Supply Gap	326	Dental Assistant		United Education Institute- Anaheim	52
					1240.10	Cypress	27
					1240.10	Orange Coast	30
					1262.00	Fullerton	5
						Advance Beauty College	49
						American Career College- Anaheim	20
Massage Therapists	<i>7</i> 11	Supply Gap	406	Massage Therapy		American Institute of Massage Therapy	28
Massage Inerapists 711		3000.7 000			CIP 51.3501	Career Networks Institute	9
						Coastline Beauty College	94
							North-West College-Santa Ana
						Santa Ana Beauty College	199



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				Community Health Care Worker	1261.00	No Programs	0
						Orange Coast+	1
				Family and Consumer Sciences, General	1301.00	Saddleback	1
						Santa Ana	1
				Parenting and Family	1305.60	North Orang Adult*	0
				Education	1303.00	Santiago Canyon	0
				Foster and Kinship Care	1305.70	No Programs	0
				Family Studies	1308.00	Saddleback	1
				ramily studies	1306.00	North Orange Adult*	0
						Coastline	56
Social and Human Service Assistants	508	Supply Met	384			Cypress	59
		, ,	331	Human Services	2104.00	Orange Coast+	15
				Homan Services	2104.00	Saddleback	21
						Santa Ana+	86
						Golden West*	0
				Alcohol and Controlled		Cypress	24
					2104.40	Saddleback	33
						Coastline*	0
				Substances		Santiago Canyon*	0
					CIP 51.1501	InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	73
					CIF 31.1301	InterCoast Colleges-Roseville	13
				Disability Services	2104.50	North Orange Adult*	0
					1221.00	Santa Ana	41
					1221.00	North Orange Adult∼^	60
						Allied American University	63
Pharmacy Technicians	316	Supply Met	287	Pharmacy Technology	CIP 51.0805	American Career College- Anaheim	109
						Career Networks Institute	11
						North-West College-Santa Ana	3



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				Polysomnography	1211.00	Orange Coast	9
				Electro-Neurodiagnostic Technology	1212.00	Orange Coast	5
						American Career College- Anaheim	14
Health Technologists and Technicians, All	237	Supply Met	183	Physical Therapy Technician/Assistant	CIP 51.0806	Concorde Career College- Garden Grove	32
Other	23/	Зорріу Жеї	100			Stanbridge College	33
						American Career College- Anaheim	48
				Surgical Technology/Technologist	CIP 51.0909	Career Networks Institute	41
				, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		North-West College-Santa Ana	1
						Saddleback	20
Emergency Medical Technicians and	170		45	Emergency Medical Services	1250.00	Santa Ana*	0
Paramedics	179	Supply Gap	45			Orange Coast*	0
				Paramedic	125100	Saddleback	25
Dhiah shawish	162	Summer Comm	4	Dilabatan	1205.10	Saddleback	2
Phlebotomists	102	Supply Gap	4	Phlebotomy	CIP 51.1009	Modern Technology School	2
				Medical Office Technology	0514.20	Already Accounted For	0
					1223.00	Cypress	17
				Health Information Technology	1223.00	Saddleback	18
				гесппогоду	CIP 51.0707	American Career College- Anaheim	13
Medical Records and Health Information					1223.10	Cypress	1
Technicians	155	Oversupply	229		1223.10	North Orange Adult*	0
						Allied American University	30
				Health Information Coding	CIP 51.0713	American Career College- Anaheim	97
					Cii 31.0/13	InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	7
						United Education Institute- Anaheim	46
				Dental Assisting/Assistant	CIP 51.0601	Already Accounted For	0
Dental Laboratory Technicians	150	Supply Gap	0	Dental Laboratory Technician	1240.30	No Programs	0
Veterinary Technologists and Technicians	131	Supply Gap	9	Veterinary Technician (Licensed)	0102.10	Stanbridge College+	9



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Opticians, Dispensing	115	Supply Gap	0	N/A	N/A	No Programs	0
Medical Equipment Preparers	95	Supply Gap	0	Hospital Central Service Technician	1209.00	No Programs	0
				Medical Office Technology	0514.20	No Programs	0
Medical Transcriptionists	51	Supply Gap	5	Hospital and Health Care Administration	1202.00	University of Phoenix- California	5
·				Hamilia Information Coding	1223.10	Already Accounted For	0
				Health Information Coding	CIP 51.0713	Already Accounted For	0



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						Cypress	5		
						Fullerton	7		
					0702.00	Santa Ana	19		
					0702.00	Santiago Canyon+	2		
				Computer Information Systems		Orange Coast*	0		
				,		Irvine*	0		
					Argosy University-Orange County	1			
					CIP 11.0103	Stanbridge College	22		
					University of Phoenix- California	1			
					Coastline+	10			
					Cypress	1			
Computer User Support Specialists	765	Supply Gap	192	192			Fullerton	1	
the state of the s								Irvine	23
						Software Applications	0702.10	Saddleback	8
				Software Applications		Santiago Canyon*	0		
						Santa Ana*	0		
						Orange Coast*	0		
						North Orange Adult*	0		
					CIP 11.0601	Allied American University	5		
						Coastline	53		
			Computer Infrastructure and	0708.00	Cypress	6			
			Support		Fullerton*	0			
					CIP 11.1001	University of Phoenix- California	1		
				Computer Support	0708.20	Cypress	5		



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					CIP 11.1006	Southern California Institute of Technology	22	
				Electronic Game Design	0614.20	Golden West	1	
				Liectronic Game Design	0014.20	Irvine*	0	
						Coastline	1	
					Cypress+	1		
					Santa Ana*	0		
			Information Technology, General	0701.00	Orange Coast*	0		
					Golden West*	0		
			12	12			Fullerton*	0
					12			Santiago Canyon*
Computer Occupations, All Other	408	Supply Gap				12		CIP 11.0101
					0702.00	Already Accounted For	0	
				Computer Information Systems	CIP 11.0103	Already Accounted For	0	
				Other lefe we attend To should are	0799.00	Fullerton*	0	
				Other Information Technology	0799.00	North Orange Adult*	0	
					Saddleback	2		
			E-Commerce (technology	0709.10	Irvine*	0		
				emphasis)	0/09.10	Santa Ana*	0	
						Santiago Canyon*	0	



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				Advertising	0500.10	Cypress*	0			
					0509.10	Orange Coast*	0			
						Coastline	1			
						Golden West	15			
				Diniant Martin	041400	Irvine	9			
				Digital Media	0614.00	Fullerton*	0			
						Orange Coast*	0			
						Santiago Canyon*	0			
						Coastline+	2			
						Cypress+	8			
					Fullerton	1				
			ly Gap 176		0614.60	Irvine+	2			
						Orange Coast	30			
				Computer Graphics and Digital Imagery		Saddleback	7			
Graphic Designers	400	400 Supply Gap		176	2.gaago. /		Santa Ana	10		
									Cypress*	0
								Golden West*	0	
						North Orange Adult~+^	1			
						Fullerton	10			
						Golden West	34			
						Irvine	1			
					1030.00	Saddleback	18			
				Cumplic Aut and Decim	1030.00	Santa Ana	1			
				Graphic Art and Design		Santiago Canyon	10			
						Cypress*	0			
						Orange Coast*	0			
				CIP 50.0409	Argosy University-The Art Institute of California-Orange County	16				
Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers, Except Line Installers	352	Supply Gap	0	Telecommunications Technology	0934.30	No Programs	0			



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						Coastline	49
			117			Cypress	28
				Community of Nickey and Street	0708.10	Fullerton+	1
Network and Computer Systems Administrators	307	Supply Gap		Computer Networking	0/08.10	Irvine	19
Administrators						Saddleback	20
						Orange Coast*	0
				Telecommunications Technology	0934.30	No Programs	0



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						Coastline	1	
						Irvine	10	
						Saddleback	8	
					0614.30	Santa Ana	1	
						Santiago Canyon∼	9	
				Website Design and Development		Golden West*	0	
				2010.00		Cypress*	0	
						Allied American University	4	
					CIP 11.0801	Argosy University-The Art Institute of California-Orange County	8	
						InterCoast Colleges-Anaheim	1	
						Cypress+	2	
					0707.00	Golden West	10	
		Supply Gap	144	144	Computer Software	0707.00	Orange Coast	11
Web Developers	236				144	Development		Saddleback
								Allied American University
					CIP 11.0201	University of Phoenix- California	1	
						Coastline	1	
						Cypress	19	
						Irvine+	21	
				Computer Programming	0707.10	Orange Coast	14	
				Computer Programming	0/0/.10	Santa Ana*	0	
						Golden West*	0	
						Santiago Canyon*	0	
						Fullerton*	0	
						Saddleback	2	
				World Wide Web Administration	0709.00	Cypress*	0	
				, common onon		Orange Coast*	0	



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				Computer Systems Analysis	0707.30	Cypress+	3				
				Computer Systems Analysis	0707.30	lrvine*	0				
Computer Network Support Specialists	178	Supply Gap	3	Computer Networking	0708.10	Already Accounted For	0				
				Community Surrent	0708.20	Already Accounted For	0				
				Computer Support	CIP 11.1006	Already Accounted For	0				
Telecommunications Line Installers and Repairers	166	Supply Gap	0	Telecommunications Technology	0934.30	No Programs	0				
						Fullerton	25				
Producers and Directors			80	Television (including combined TV/film/video)	0604.20	Saddleback	3				
	128	Supply Gap		, , ,		Santa Ana	10				
Troducers and Directors	120					Orange Coast	34				
				Film Production	0612.20	Saddleback	8				
						Santiago Canyon*	0				
				Computer Information Systems	0702.00	Already Accounted For	0				
				Compoter information systems	CIP 11.0103	Already Accounted For	0				
				Computer Systems Analysis	0707.30	Already Accounted For	0				
				Computer Infrastructure and	0708.00	Already Accounted For	0				
Computer Network Architects	127	Supply Gap	0	Support	CIP 11.1001	Already Accounted For	0				
				Computer Networking	0708.10	Already Accounted For	0				
								Computer Sugar and	0708.20	Already Accounted For	0
					Computer Support	CIP 11.1006	Already Accounted For	0			
				World Wide Web Administration	0709.00	Already Accounted For	0				



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				Technical Illustration	0953.60	No Programs	0				
						Fullerton*	0				
				A collect Death	1000.00	Orange Coast*	0				
				Applied Design	1009.00	Saddleback*	0				
	F./	2 1 2	12			Santa Ana*	0				
Commercial and Industrial Designers	56	Supply Gap				Cypress	1				
						Fullerton	4				
				Commercial Art	1013.00	Orange Coast	7				
						Santa Ana*	0				
						Santiago*	0				
Surveying and Mapping Technicians 51				Surveying	0957.30	Santiago Canyon	17				
	51	Supply Gap	20	20	20	20	20	20	Geographic Information	220 (10	Cypress
				Systems	220.610	Saddleback*	0				



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						Cypress	22
					1012.00	Fullerton	13
Photographers	226	Supply Gap	59	Applied Photography		Orange Coast	17
rnologiaphers	220	Зорргу Сар	37	Applied Filologiaphy		Santiago Canyon*	0
					CIP 50.0406	Argosy University-The Art Institute of California-Orange County	7
						Fullerton	1
						Saddleback+	46
					0604.00	Cypress*	0
				Radio and Television		Orange Coast*	0
						Santiago Canyon*	0
					CIP 09.0701	The Academy of Radio and TV Broadcasting	22
	- 10				CIP 10.0202	The Academy of Radio and TV Broadcasting	20
Audio and Video Equipment Technicians	143	Supply Met	129			Cypress	12
						Fullerton	9
						Orange Coast	6
				Commercial Music	1005.00	Saddleback	1
						Santa Ana	2
						Irvine*	0
						Golden West*	0
				Radio	0604.10	Fullerton+	10



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				Digital Media	0614.00	Already Accounted For	0		
						Cypress	1		
						Orange Coast	3		
					0614.10	Santiago Canyon~	2		
				Multimedia	0814.10	Golden West*	0		
						North Orange Adult*	0		
						Santa Ana*	0		
					CIP 10.0304	Laguna College of Art and Design	1		
Multimedia Artists and Animators	66	Supply Gap	24	24	24	Electronic Game Design	0614.20	Accounted for Above	0
Monimicala Arrisis and Arminators		обрыу Сар	2-7			Cypress	9		
						Irvine+	1		
				Animation	0614.40	Santa Ana	7		
						Golden West*	0		
						Orange Coast*	0		
				Computer Graphics and Digital Imagery	0614.60	Already Accounted For	0		
				Complia Art and Dai	1030.00	Already Accounted For	0		
				Graphic Art and Design	CIP 50.0409	Accounted for Above	0		



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						Fullerton	3
Life, Physical, and Social Science Technicians, All Other					0430.00	Irvine	3
	96	Supply Gap	74	Biotechnology and	0430.00	Santa Ana	5
		,		Biomedical Technology		Santiago Canyon	2
					CIP 15.0401	Southern California Institute of Technology	61
				Biotechnology and	0430.00	Already Accounted For	0
Medical Equipment Repairers	55	Supply Gap	0	Biomedical Technology	CIP 15.0401	Already Accounted For	0
				Biomedical Instrumentation	0934.60	No Programs	0
Medical Appliance Technicians	28	Supply Gap	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0



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				Biotechnology and	0430.00	Already Accounted For	0
				Biomedical Technology	CIP 15.0401	Already Accounted For	0
				Laboratory Science Technology	0955.00	Fullerton+	I
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers,						Fullerton	6
and Weighers	884	Supply Gap	25			Irvine	8
				Manufacturing and Industrial Technology	0956.00	Saddleback	6
				1 ccimology		Saddleback Santa Ana Orange Coast* Santiago Canyon	3
						Orange Coast*	0
				Industrial Quality Control	0956.80	Santiago Canyon	1
				Chemical Technology	0954.00	No Programs	0
Chemical Technicians	91	Supply Gap	0	Laboratory Science Technology	0955.00	Already Accounted For	0
Chemical Equipment Operators and Tenders	55	Supply Gap	0	Chemical Technology	0954.00	No Programs	0
Biological Technicians	57	Supply Cop	0	Laboratory Science Technology	0955.00	Already Accounted For	0
	5/	Supply Gap	U	Biotechnology and Biomedical Technology	0430.00	Already Accounted For	0
Ophthalmic Laboratory Tochnicians	49	Supply Cap	0	Optics	0961.00	No Programs	0
Ophthalmic Laboratory Technicians	77	Supply Gap	U	Optical Technology	1219.00	No Programs	0



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						Fullerton	4
						Irvine	5
				Fitness Trainer	0835.20	Orange Coast	9
Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors						Saddleback	1
	739	Supply Gap	40			Santa Ana	3
						Saddleback Orange Coast* Cypress*	1
				Athletic Training and Sports	1228.00	Orange Coast*	0
				Medicine		Cypress*	0
					CIP 51.0913	Career Networks Institute	17
Actors	133	Supply Gap	0	N/A	N/A	No Programs	0
						Fullerton	1
				Fashion	1303.00	Orange Coast	1
						Saddleback	2
Fashion Designers	72	Supply Gap	39			Fullerton	7
				Funking Design	1303.10	Orange Coast	13
				Fashion Design	1303.10	Saddleback	10
						Santa Ana	5



#### DEMAND AND SUPPLY DATA FOR RETAIL, HOSPITALITY, AND TOURISM MIDDLE-SKILL JOBS WITH ENTRY-LEVEL WAGES BELOW CALIFORNIA FAMILY NEEDS CALCULATOR IN ORANGE COUNTY

<sup>^</sup> North Orange Continuing Education is also known as North Orange Adult in the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office Management Information System

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						Coastline+	SUPPLY (3-YR AVG)  1  1  0  1  4  1  1  9  32  10  0  0
						Cypress+	1
				Retail Store Operations and	0506.50	Golden West*	0
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	1488	Supply Gap	9	Management	0306.30	Saddleback	1
						Santa Ana+	4
						Santiago Canyon+	1
				Display	0509.60	Orange Coast	1
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation				Dietetic Services and Management	1306.20	Orange Coast	9
and Serving Workers	1486	Supply Gap	51	Restaurant and Food Services	1207.10	Cypress	32
				and Management	1307.10	Orange Coast	10
Recreation Workers				Parks and Outdoor Recreation	0115.10	No Programs	SUPPLY (3-YR AVG)  1  1  0  1  4  1  1  9  32  10  0
	698	Supply Gap	0	Aquatics and Lifesaving	0835.70	Cypress*	0
				Recreation Assistant	0836.10	No Programs	0



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						Coastline	207					
						Irvine+	1					
					0507.00	Saddleback	25					
				Management Development	0506.30	Cypress*	0					
				and Supervision		Golden West*	0					
Food Service Managers	586	Supply Gap	238			Orange Coast*	0					
rood of vice managers		оорріу обр	100		CIP 52.0204	Allied American University	4					
					CIP 52.0205	University of Phoenix- California	1					
				Dietetic Services and Management	1306.20	Already Accounted For	0					
				Restaurant and Food Services and Management	1307.10	Already Accounted For	0					
						Fullerton	1					
						Orange Coast	8					
						Saddleback	13					
					1306.00	Santa Ana	2					
				Nutrition, Foods, and Culinary Arts	1300.00	Coastline*	0					
						Santiago Canyon*	0					
						Cypress*	0					
						North Orange Adult* <sup>∧</sup>	0					
							CIP 19.0501	Brandman University	4			
Chefs and Head Cooks	358	Supply Met	346			Cypress	77					
					1306.30	Orange Coast	AVG)  207  1  25  0  0  0  ity 4  1  r 0  r 0  1  8  13  2  0  0  0  0  4  77  86  27  4  art nge 54  art nge 70					
					1300.30	Saddleback	27					
				Culinary Arts		Santiago Canyon∼	4					
									Comidity 7 mis	CIP 12.0501	Argosy University-The Art Institute of California-Orange County	54
									CIP 12.0503	Argosy University-The Art Institute of California-Orange County	70	
				Restaurant and Food Services and Management	1307.10	Already Accounted For	0					



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				Sales and Salesmanship	0509.40	Orange Coast*	0
Travel Agents	181	Supply Gap	33			Cypress	17
Traver Agents	101	зорргу Сар	33	Travel Services and Tourism	3009.00	Orange Coast+	9
						Saddleback	7
Entertainers and Performers, Sports and Related Workers, All Other	111	Supply Gap	0	N/A	N/A	No Programs	0
Reservation and Transportation Ticket Agents and Travel Clerks	110	Supply Gap	0	Travel Services and Tourism	3009.00	Already Accounted For	0
						Cypress	2
Dancers	61	Supply Gap	7	Commercial Dance	1008.10	·	2
							3
				Management Development and Supervision	0506.30	Already Accounted For	0
Lodging Managers	52	Supply Gap	37		1307.00	Cypress	6
				Hospitality	1307.00	Orange Coast	3
					CIP 52.0901	Bristol University	1
				Lodging Management	1307.20	Cypress	18
				Loaging Management	1007.20	Orange Coast	8
				Resort and Club Management	1307.30	Cypress+	1

