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## Ohio's Workforce Supply Tool Adds 200 Additional Occupations

Providing employers with detailed information on Ohio's workforce

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**Columbus, OH — August 30, 2017** — Ohio employers have a new tool at their disposal when searching for employees to fill in-demand occupations. The Workforce Supply Tool from the Ohio Department of Higher Education, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation, and the Ohio Education Research Center provides detailed statewide and regional information on the supply of Ohioans in more than 200 occupations ranging from carpenters and actuaries to robotics engineers and nurses. The Workforce Supply Tool is a one-stop site for workforce information that includes:

- Statewide and regional workforce supply information.
- Historical and future estimates on the number of graduates from programs offering credentials or degrees in in-demand areas.
- Institutions that offer credentials or degrees in in-demand areas.
- Regional earnings by occupation.
- Regional employment numbers for each occupation.

The Workforce Supply Tool aims to provide both employers and job seekers with information that they need to make important decisions, including:

- Businesses considering relocating or expanding can identify the number of workers with the employer's desired skills available in a region.
- Recruiters and human resource leaders can identify and forge relationships with institutions that educate and train the workers they need.
- Job seekers and those considering pursuing a certification or degree can use the tool to identify earning potential in a chosen occupation and obtain contact information for education and training programs.
- Higher education providers can use the tool to identify similar programs and coordinate degree and certificate offerings.

The website, accessible through the "Employers" section of OhioMeansJobs.com, was developed through a partnership among the Ohio Department of Higher Education, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation, Ohio Analytics, and the Ohio Education Research Center at The Ohio State University. The development was made possible by a \$180,000 National Skills Coalition State Workforce and Education Alignment Project grant.

The Workforce Supply Tool is available now at [workforcesupply.chrr.ohio-state.edu](http://workforcesupply.chrr.ohio-state.edu)