

LICENSING AND CAREER INFORMATION ONLINE

Iowa Licensed Occupations may also be accessed on Iowa Workforce Development's Web site: <http://www.iowaworkforce.org/lmi> (Publications → Licensed Occupations). Career-related Web sites, arranged by subject, are linked from the Iowa LMI Directory, also found on this Web page. Other publications of interest to job seekers are available online in PDF format and many can also be ordered in printed hard copy.

Other publications that might be of special interest to job seekers are the Iowa Job Outlook – Statewide, the Iowa Wage Survey, and Job Applicants and Openings for IWD Regions and Iowa Statewide. These publications offer a range of data on occupation and industry outlook, current wages being paid, education levels needed, and growing or declining occupations.

Information about licensed occupations is frequently gathered and published by state Labor Market Information units. In addition, the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) has included the information in its America's Career Information Network Internet application. This may be accessed at http://www.acinet.org/acinet/lois_start.asp and can be sorted by state, occupation, or licensing agency.

To access business (and professional) license information, visit the Department of Economic Development (IDED) Web site at: <http://www.state.ia.us/ided/index.html> under the "Business" heading. IDED developed the Business License Information Center as part of the IOWAccess Project to make government services accessible to people online. The site serves as a type of "one-stop shop" for professional and business license information.

The U.S. Department of Labor Web site links workers with high demand occupations. The Web site, <http://www.careervoyages.gov/>, features detailed information about the fastest growing industries and occupations, the skills and education required to prepare for them, job openings by area, and wages, licensing requirements and growth rates for numerous occupations.

Iowa **CHOICES™**, available through subscription for Macintosh, Windows, and Internet-based systems, has a very comprehensive national and state education file, access to financial aid resources (including a link to the College Planning Center), and several assessments that relate individual results to the occupational database. Iowa **CHOICES™** occupations are linked to Internet resources including America's Job Bank, state job banks, and several other job banks. Internet links to educational institutions websites are included as provided by the institutions.

For more information about Iowa **CHOICES™**, contact the Iowa Center for Career and Occupational Resources (ICCOR) at the Department of Education by phoning 800-308-5993 (Iowa only), or 515-242-5033.