

Career Databases Comparison Chart

There is no one “correct” way to explore these open web sites (these are not EPCC library databases). There are many ways to explore! These are just a few quick tips.	Career One Stop https://www.careeronestop.org/ 	O*Net https://www.onetonline.org/ 	Occupational Outlook Handbook https://www.bls.gov/ooh/ 
Explore careers	1) Explore Careers > Learn About Careers > Career Profiles> Occupation Profile > List of [22] Occupations... or 2) Explore Careers > Learn About Careers > [17] Career Clusters... or 3) On homepage, scroll all the way down to Explore and Find > Explore Careers > Learn about Careers (on left, a dropdown list)	1) (Search job descriptions) Find Occupations (dropdown list) > Job Family 2. (Careers with similar skills) Find Occupations (dropdown list) > Career Cluster	1) On homepage, scroll down to OCCUPATION GROUPS...or 2) Use the SELECT OCCUPATIONS BY (box) 3) Use the A-Z Index
Find a job	1) See Job Search tab (top, center) > Find a Job Now box (on right)...or 2) Toolkit (top left) > Jobs > Job Finder	Find an occupation (e.g., nursing). Scroll down to Job Openings on the Web section.	Sometimes available. Find a job description, then look in & follow links in the More Info tab
Assessment: Career interest assessment	Explore Careers tab (top left) dropdown list > Self assessments > Interest Assessment (30-question assessment that identifies your interests and matches them to careers)	I want to be a... (box, on right) > O*Net Interest Profiler (60-question assessment that measures your interests and shows how they relate to careers)	Not available
Assessment: Skills Matcher assessment identifies your skills and matches them to careers that use those skills	Explore Careers tab (top left) dropdown list > Self assessments > Skills assessment	Not Available	Not available
Assessment: Work Values	Explore Careers tab (top left) dropdown list > Self assessments > Work Values > Work Values Matcher > Get Started	Not available	Not Available
Career Videos	**Good source for career videos** 1. Look up a career, or 2. browse videos: Explore careers tab (top left) > look under Learn about careers > select Career videos	These options have videos... 1. Go to ATTN: Veterans box, on right. 2. I want to be a... box > My Next Move	**Good source for career videos** Look up a career in the Search Handbook search box (top right) Note: not all career descriptions have a video
10-year projected growth. (The average growth rate for all occupations is 5 percent.)	Locate an occupation > Projected employment (includes growth rate in Texas)	Locate an occupation > Workforce Characteristics / Wages & Employment Trends > Projected growth	Locate an occupation > Look in Summary box > Employment Change section

Open Web Career Websites 	Career One Stop	O*Net	Occupational Outlook Handbook
Browse careers	Toolkit tab (upper right) > Industry (fastest-growing or declining, highest paying, largest employment, or employment patterns)	On homepage, browse by using the Finds Occupations box, the Advanced Searches box, Browse by O*NET Data and more.	1. Look at the Occupational Groups list (on left), or 2. A to Z index (towards top, center), or 3. click on OOH SITE MAP (towards top, center)
Browse careers by work values	Browsing by work values is not available. You have to take the work values matcher assessment.	O*NET Data tab (middle, top) > Work values	Browsing by work values is not available.
Browse careers by Skill Level	Browsing by skills level is not available. You have to take the Skills Matcher assessment.	Advanced Search tab (top, center) > Search by Soft skills vs Technology skills .	Browsing by skills level is not available.
Browse careers by interests	Browsing by interests is not available. You have to take the Interests Assessment	O*NET Data tab (middle, top) > Interests	Browsing by interests is not available.
Browse careers by Job Zone or Industry	Toolkit tab (upper right) > Industry	1. I want to be a... (box, on right) > Select "I'll know I when I see it." or ... 2. Find Occupations box (lower left)> click on Browse > Look in Industry dropdown box	1. Occupations box (on left) Or... 2. BROWSE OCCUPATIONS box (center, middle of page)
Compare careers Side by side	Toolkit tab (top right) Careers > Compare Occupations	Not available	Not available
Find similar jobs	See Related Occupations section	See Related Occupations section or tab	Locate a job description and scroll down to Similar Occupations . This lets you compare similar jobs.
Salary Finder (by geographic area)	1) Explore careers (top left) > Career Tools (bottom right) > Salary Finder Example: Registered Nurses, El Paso, TX	Locate an occupation > Scroll down to Workforce Characteristics/ Wages & Employment Trends > Search by State or Local Wages .	Locate a job description and look in the State & Area Data tab for resources
Wages (average salary)	Locate an occupation > Scroll down to Typical wages (on right)	Locate an occupation > Scroll down to Workforce Characteristics/ Wages & Employment Trends > Median wages	1. Locate an occupation > Summary (box) > Median Pay 2. Look in Pay tab
Employment rate	Texas vs USA-wide: Locate an occupation > Look in Projected employment box > Compare Projected Employment	Locate an occupation > Scroll down to Workforce Characteristics/ Wages & Employment Trends	Locate an occupation > Job Outlook tab
Employment tables & maps	(Map) Toolkit tab (top right) State and Local > Available Workforce	N/A	Subjects (tab) > OEWS Data (tab/dropdown list) > Maps
Unemployment rate	Toolkit tab> State and Local > Available Workforce	Could not locate unemployment info.	In search tab, type in: 1. Local Area Unemployment Statistics; 2. Current Employment Statistics State and Area 3. National: Employment Situation Summary