

Mass Workforce Issuance

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Policy Information

To: Chief Elected Officials
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cc: WIA State Partners

From: Susan V. Lawler, Director
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Subject: **Labor Market Information for FY 2008 Planning**

Purpose: To provide information on updated sources of labor market information/data for Fiscal Year 2008 Planning.

Background: The Economic Analysis Office of the Division of Career Services (DCS) has recently updated a number of LMI products and data that will be useful for areas as they develop their FY 2008 plans. These can all be found on the Department of Labor and Workforce Development home page as described below.

1. LMI Profiles

The profiles are produced annually for each of the State's 16 Workforce Investment Areas. Each profile includes data on the labor force, employment, unemployment, industry structure, population and demographic trends, projected occupational demand, and worker commuting patterns.

<http://lmi2.detma.org/Lmi/FPImiforms1.asp#Profiles>

These publications can be found on the DWD home page by clicking on:

- Economic Data on bottom right hand portion of the DWD Home Page.
- Scroll down the right side to LMI Publications and click on the Labor Market Information Profiles link.

Multiple copies of any of the 16 reports can be ordered directly as a stock item by emailing jcappello@detma.org and referencing the area name of the Regional LMI Profile.

2. Massachusetts Employment Projections through 2014

[These two publications](#) profile the state's long-term job outlook, analyzing the shifts in the demand for workers in industries and occupations. The narrative portion of the report examines the impact of these projected employment changes on education and training in an increasingly competitive job market.

<http://lmi2.detma.org/Lmi/FPlmiforms1.asp#Projections>

Both the full report and the detailed occupational projections can be found by clicking on:

- Economic Data on bottom right hand portion of the DWD Home Page.
- Scroll down the right side to LMI Publications and click on the Employment Projections through 2014 link.

3. Job Vacancy Data

Job Vacancy Surveys are conducted every six months.

- Provides comprehensive estimates of job vacancies by industry, occupation, and size of business organization.
- Other job vacancy characteristics collected by this program include the number of openings that are full-time, part-time, temporary or seasonal, the education and experience required and the number of days employers have been actively recruiting for each position.

<http://lmi2.detma.org/Lmi/LMIjobvacancy.asp>

The most recent publications can be found by clicking on:

- Economic Data on bottom right hand portion of the DWD Home Page.
- Scroll down right side to Information Tools and click on Job Vacancy Survey.

4. General Labor Market Information

In addition to the updated reports, the Economic Data portion of the DWD website also contains links to other LMI publications and to monthly data including labor force, employment, unemployment, unemployment rates, industry job trends and UI claimant profiles.

Action

Required: Please review the information provided and inform your area's local planner of the contents. Additional information on LMI resources for FY 2008 planning will be provided as it becomes available.

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