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Occupational Projections and Training Data, 2000, Bulletin 2521, is a statistical and research supplement to the Occupational Outlook Handbook. It provides the statistical and technical data supporting the information presented in the Handbook. Education and training planners, career counselors, and jobseekers can find valuable information that ranks occupations by characteristics. Data cover such items as number employed, projected employment, significant sources of formal training, sex and race of current job holders, separation rates, and industry concentration of workers, as well as degrees awarded by field of study. This publication will be available in Spring 2000.

Employment Outlook: 1998-2008, A Summary of BLS Projections, Bulletin 2522, provides background on the economic assumptions underlying the specific industry and occupational projections found in the new Occupational Outlook Handbook. Chapter I presents highlights of the latest projections. Chapter II identifies the industry-occupational concentration of jobs. Chapter III looks at educational requirements. Chapter IV examines job quality as measured by earnings. Chapter V relates projections of jobs to changes in the composition of the labor force. This publication will be available in Spring 2000.

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