Green Jobs
For the economy...
the workforce...
the planet

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Green and clean is not new, but

- Interest is ramping up
- Energy costs rising, water shortages
- Concern for the planet
- Policy and legislative mandates
- President's economic stimulus package



What are the Green jobs that exist today?

- Many studies list "green" occupations
- We've looked at more than 80 studies
- Compiled and classified the lists
- Identified about 200 titles—in many cases tied them to existing occupations
- Occupations range from laborers to secretaries to research scientists, engineers and architects
- Often the difference between these workers and others with the same title is new materials or methods



Target Occupations

- Targeted a subset of these 200 occupations for further study
- Occupations that offer good opportunities for workforce development
 - > Forecasted number of jobs
 - Potential for growth
 - Good wages
- Collecting information on these occupations in our upcoming survey



Analysis to Date

- Much still needs to be learned
- Business, workers our best source
- Analysis to date based upon
 - Characteristics of the workforce—focus on the unemployed
 - Opportunities afforded by the Economic Stimulus package
 - Occupational information—trends, wages, training levels, skills and knowledge
 - Potential transferrable occupations
 - Real time job opportunities
- Files reflecting the staff analysis are posted on our Understanding the Green Economy web page http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov/?pageid=1032



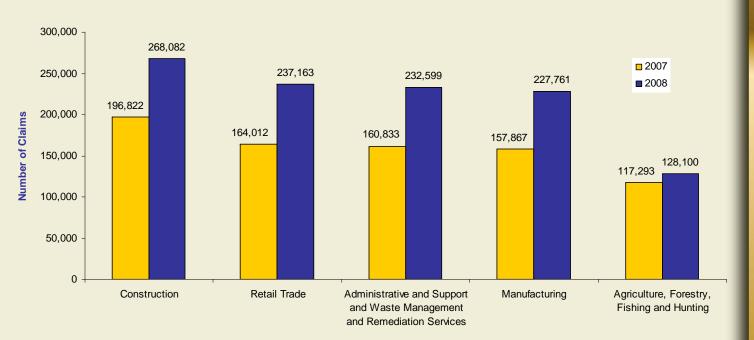
Displaced Workforce Nearly Ready for New Opportunities

- California's unemployment rate, announced last Friday, is 10.1 %--highest since 1983
- M Almost 1.9 million unemployed workers
- 363,000+ new claims filed in January 2009
- Unemployment crosses all industries
- M Heaviest hit
 - > Construction
 - > Retail trade
 - Administrative and Support
 - Manufacturing
 - > Agriculture

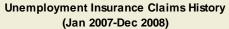


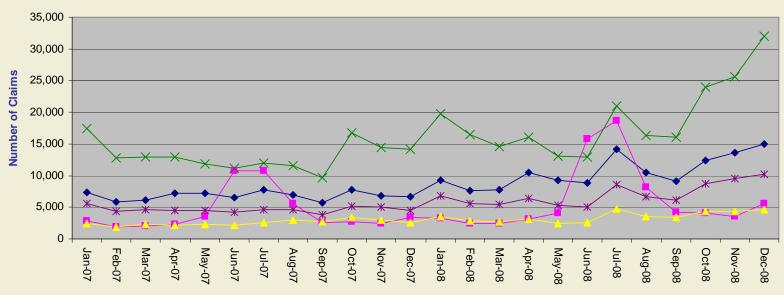
Industries with the Most UI Claims

Industries with the Most Unemployment Insurance Claims



Unemployment Insurance Claims





- → Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services-106% Educational Services-96% Real Estate and Rental and Leasing-89% Manufacturing-83%
- * Wholesale Trade-81%

Economic Stimulus \$ Opportunities \$

- Estimated <u>Supplemental</u> funding for workforce development including WIA, UI and Employment Service in California
 - > \$80 M for Adults
 - > \$189 M for Youth
 - > \$177 M for Dislocated Workers
 - \$45 M for UI and Employment Service— 50% to provide reemployment services for the unemployed

Economic Stimulus Job Creation

- The President's Council of Economic Advisors forecasts almost 3.7M jobs created or saved as a result of the Economic Stimulus package by 4th quarter 2010
- California's share is forecasted to be 11.5% or 421,000 jobs, across all industries



Economic Stimulus Focus on Green

- Smart grid transmission lines
- Energy Efficiency
- Renewable Energy
- Weatherization



Green Occupations Target occupations for "reskilling"

- Professional (BA or Advanced degree):
 Such as Architects, Cost Estimators, Engineers,
 Planners, Vocational Education Teachers
- Skilled workers (AA or Post secondary education): Such as Auto, Bus and Truck Mechanics, Biological and Chemical Technicians
- Crafts and Trades Workers (On the job training- varying durations): Such as Assemblers, Carpenters, Electricians, Plumbers, HVAC, Insulation/Weatherization

LMI Available for Target Occupations

- Projected growth through 2016, net replacements, median wages in 2008, and typical training levels
- Forecasted growth from a low of 5.6% for Electrical Engineers to almost 30% for Biological Technicians
- Net replacements for all occupations equal or exceed the forecasted growth. For example, we estimate that replacements for Electrical Engineers are four times the growth numbers.
- Annual wages range from \$23K for Assemblers to \$97K for Construction Managers



Sample Pathways into Green Jobs

Occupations with reskilling potential

Construction Managers
Loan Officers
Loan Interviewers and Clerks
Management Analysts
Real Estate Brokers

Carpenters
Construction Trades, Helpers
Glaziers

Carpenters
Electricians
Heating and Air Conditioning
Technicians/Installers
Plumbers
Roofers
Sheet Metal Workers

Potential Green Jobs (transferrable skills)

Energy Auditors, Commercial and Residential

Insulation and Weatherization Workers

Solar PV Panel Installers and Technicians



Snapshots:

- Energy Auditors conduct energy assessments to identify energy efficiency improvement opportunities and offer recommendations for insulation upgrades. Explain incentives, loans, and tax credits for energy efficiency improvements.
 - How many? 26,580* in May, 2007
 - Median annual wage--\$62,828*
- *Data are for Cost Estimators, a broader occupation including Energy Auditors, from the Occupational Employment Statistics Survey
- Insulation and Weatherization Workers line and cover structures with insulating materials. Work with patt, roll, or blown insulation materials.
 - How many? 3,440* in May, 2007
 - Median Annual Wage--\$37,910*

^{*}Data are from the Occupational Employment Statistics Survey

Snapshot:

- Solar Photovoltaic Panel Installers and Technicians install rooftop solar panels and electrical systems. Perform wiring, mounting, carpentry, troubleshooting, and customer interaction.
 - How many? 3,338 Statewide [1]
 - Median Annual Wage--\$31,200 -- \$52,000 [1]
 - [1] Centers of Excellence, 2008 Survey

Real World--Are there jobs?

- Test licenses to mine a new application developed for the Conference Board
- Trained Friday morning and began immediately to reality test our analysis of green jobs.
- Wanted Analytics 2.0 scrapes a dozen or more online job listing systems, pulling detail down to the job order level
- Examples of sources: Job Central, America's Labor Exchange, Career Builders, Monster, Craig's List, Yahoo
- You can find the Conference Board's monthly summary analyses at their web site under the name *Help Wanted Online*

http://www.conferenceboard.org/economics/helpwantedonline.cfm

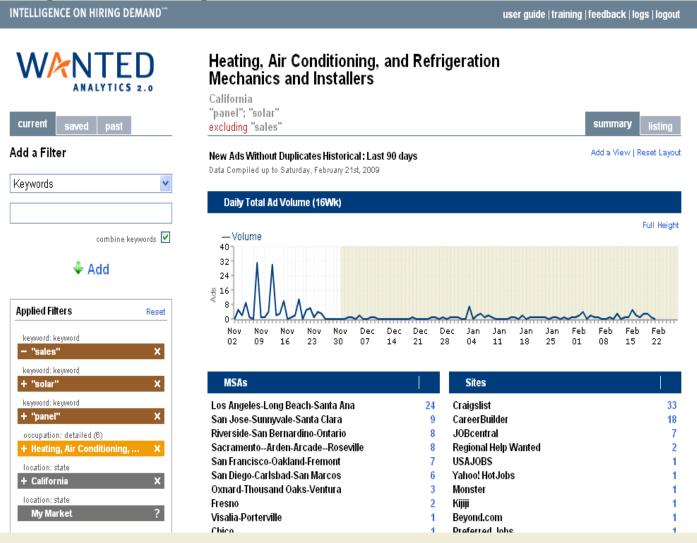


Summary Results—Apparently, yes

We found:

- 897,000 California orders in the system (active in the last 90 days) overall.
- More than **17,000** active "**green**" **job orders** (searching all job orders for selected "green keywords").
- For our 22 target occupations, 31,500 active job orders
- Filtering these job orders for selected "green key words" yielded **4,700 job orders with green** aspects.
- Key words included green; clean tech; solar; wind; LEED; sustainable; sustainability; alternative energy; energy efficient; PV; biofuel; biomass; weatherization; tankless; global warming; recycling, etc.

Sample Report



Recommended Strategy

- Assess unemployed workers for potential capacity to be retrained for these and other green jobs
- Offer "reskilling" to add new knowledge and skills to what they already know to take on the new opportunities.
- Leverage existing training programs across the state
- Modify the courses from semester long, three hours a week to short term intensive bursts to get people into the workforce quickly.
- Work closely with business to adjust training
- Prepare tomorrow's workforce for these and many new jobs focused on innovation

