CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Doing What MATTERS™
FOR JOBS AND THE ECONOMY

Salary Surfer

As students and their families make important decisions about investing their time and money in pursuing a college education, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office is making available for the first time comparative information about the earnings of recent graduates who received an award in a specific program area at California community colleges.

The Salary Surfer uses the aggregated earnings of graduates from a five year period to provide an estimate on the potential wages to be earned two years and five years after receiving a certificate or degree in certain disciplines. This tool also provides information on which colleges offer programs in those specific disciplines. The Salary Surfer does not contain information about wages earned by community college students who transfer to a four-year institution.

While it is useful to know the potential earnings after receiving a certificate or degree, other important

SalarySurfer offers partners an unprecedented level of transparency and accountability when it comes to wage attainment associated with community college certificates and degrees:

http://salarysurfer.cccco.edu/SalarySurfer.aspx

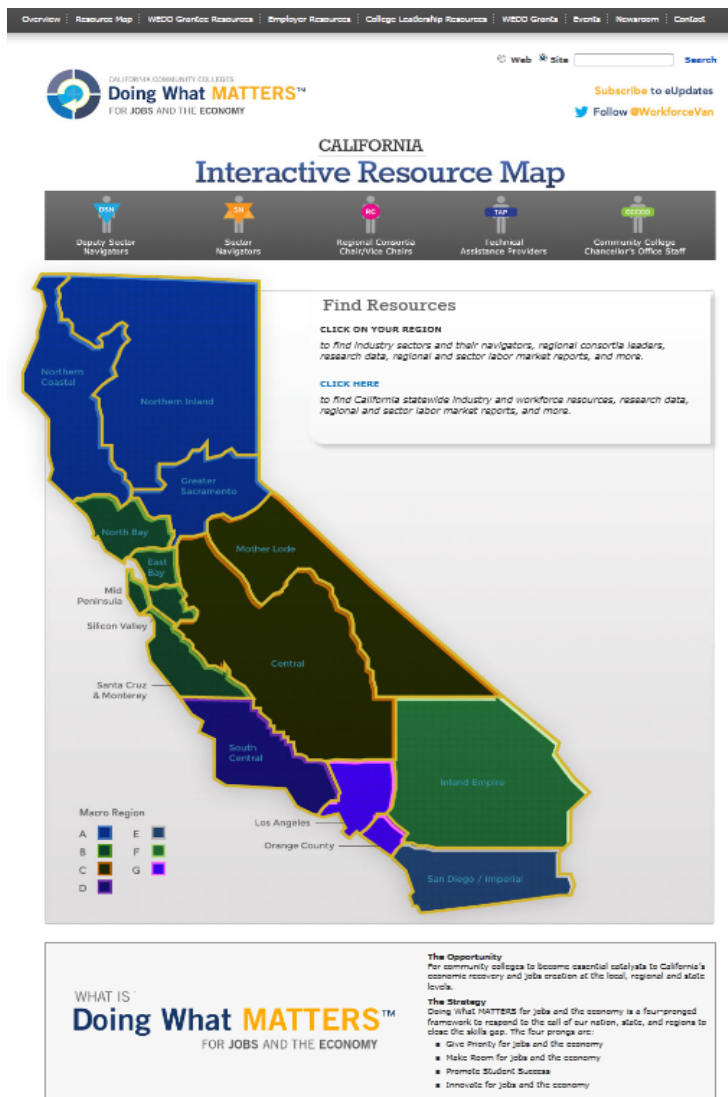This data is helpful in determining how different career pathways affect earning potential.

LaunchBoard is the statewide longitudinal data repository for collecting data related to student success in career technical education – along momentum points in starting from middle school, to high school, through community college, transfer to 4-year institutions, and employment. Launchboard is hosted by Cal-PASS Plus (contact: Ken Sorey at ken@calpass.org).

All applicants are encouraged to leverage Launchboard as its resource for data collection for accountability tracking rather than starting anew.

Doing What Matters™ for Jobs and the Economy **Interactive Resource Maps**. Scroll onto your region for lookups charts. These lookups list first contacts within the community college system already working to coordinate curriculum, programs and pathways important to priority and emergent sectors for each regional economy.
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Grid of priority and emergent sectors overlaid against regional economies:
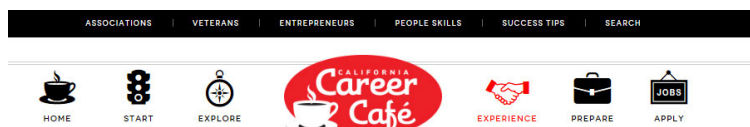http://bit.ly/19EPAbj

Targeted industry reports produced by the community college Labor Market Research Centers of Excellence:
http://www.cccewd.net/initiative_coe.cfm

Home page:
www.doingwhatMATTERS.cccco.edu

The **California Career Café** offers functionalities that may be useful for partners and students at no cost:
- The CalJOBS job posting/matching engine lets employers post jobs and internships
- The job search function, that lists scraped job postings, is free to students
- Free content for students re: work-based learning and career exploration

Home page: http://CACareerCafe.com.
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CalJOBS landing page:
http://www.cacareercafe.com/apply/

Work-Based Learning Experience landing page:
http://www.cacareercafe.com/experience/