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NEW REPORT!

South Central Coast Labor Market Landscape: Assessing Job Quality in the SCC Region

- Provides a comprehensive analysis of the region's labor market, emphasizing traditional labor market data and job quality indicators.
- Classifies 791 Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) occupations into High-, Medium-, and Low-Quality categories using nine criteria.
- Identifies and provides detailed data for 155 High-Quality occupations in the SCC Region.

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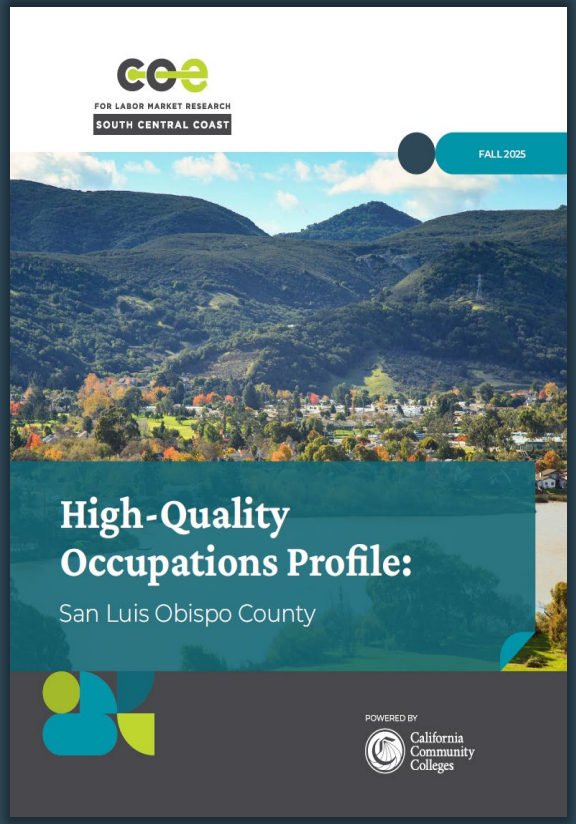
NEW COUNTY PROFILES!

High-Quality Occupations County Profiles



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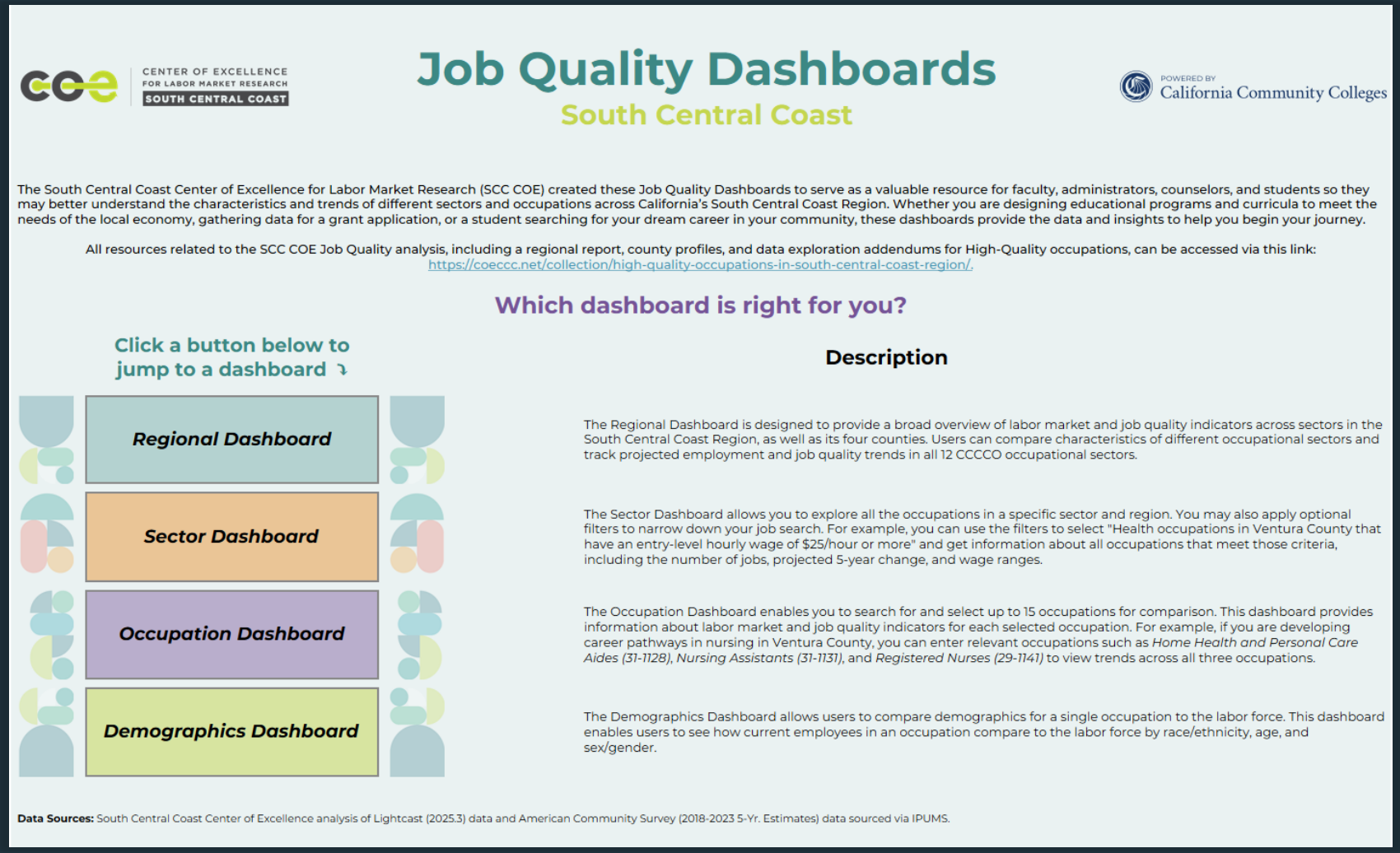

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Job Quality Dashboards

South Central Coast

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The South Central Coast Center of Excellence for Labor Market Research (SCC COE) created these Job Quality Dashboards to serve as a valuable resource for faculty, administrators, counselors, and students so they may better understand the characteristics and trends of different sectors and occupations across California's South Central Coast Region. Whether you are designing educational programs and curricula to meet the needs of the local economy, gathering data for a grant application, or a student searching for your dream career in your community, these dashboards provide the data and insights to help you begin your journey.

All resources related to the SCC COE Job Quality analysis, including a regional report, county profiles, and data exploration addendums for High-Quality occupations, can be accessed via this link: https://coeccc.net/collection/high-quality-occupations-in-south-central-coast-region/.

Which dashboard is right for you?

Click a button below to jump to a dashboard ↴

	Description
Regional Dashboard	The Regional Dashboard is designed to provide a broad overview of labor market and job quality indicators across sectors in the South Central Coast Region, as well as its four counties. Users can compare characteristics of different occupational sectors and track projected employment and job quality trends in all 12 CCCCO occupational sectors.
Sector Dashboard	The Sector Dashboard allows you to explore all the occupations in a specific sector and region. You may also apply optional filters to narrow down your job search. For example, you can use the filters to select "Health occupations in Ventura County that have an entry-level hourly wage of $25/hour or more" and get information about all occupations that meet those criteria, including the number of jobs, projected 5-year change, and wage ranges.
Occupation Dashboard	The Occupation Dashboard enables you to search for and select up to 15 occupations for comparison. This dashboard provides information about labor market and job quality indicators for each selected occupation. For example, if you are developing career pathways in nursing in Ventura County, you can enter relevant occupations such as *Home Health and Personal Care Aides (31-1128)*, *Nursing Assistants (31-1131)*, and *Registered Nurses (29-1141)* to view trends across all three occupations.
Demographics Dashboard	The Demographics Dashboard allows users to compare demographics for a single occupation to the labor force. This dashboard enables users to see how current employees in an occupation compare to the labor force by race/ethnicity, age, and sex/gender.

Data Sources: South Central Coast Center of Excellence analysis of Lightcast (2025.3) data and American Community Survey (2018-2023 5-Yr. Estimates) data sourced via IPUMS.

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Region Overview

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SCC Region

ⓘ Select your region to start ›

Region: SCC Region

Regional Key Indicators

1,026,975	790	35,330	3.4%	130,306	$3 - $141	13 - 63	65%
Jobs (2024)	Occupations Analyzed	Five-Year Projected Job Change (2024-2029)	Five-Year Projected % Change (2024-2029)	Avg. Annual Openings (Demand)	Typical Entry-Level Hourly Wage Range	Usual Hours Worked Weekly	Workers with Employer-Sponsored Health Insurance

(SCC Region Avg: 65%)

Number of Occupations by Job Quality and Sector

Sector	Quality Level: Low	Medium	High
Advanced Manufacturing	57	37	7
Energy, Construction and Utilities	47	55	9
Other/Unassigned	35	55	12
Advanced Transportation and Logistics	21	36	5
Retail, Hospitality and Tourism	16	32	2
ICT/Digital Media	15	20	14
Business and Entrepreneurship	13	56	32
Health	8	51	42
Agriculture, Water and Environmental Technol..	8	31	3
Public Safety	3	15	10

Top 5 Sectors

Number of Jobs (2024)

Sector	
Business and Entrepreneurship	207,277
Retail, Hospitality and Tourism	140,755
Health	135,820
Other/Unassigned	102,694
Education and Human Development	86,024

Avg. Annual Openings (Demand)

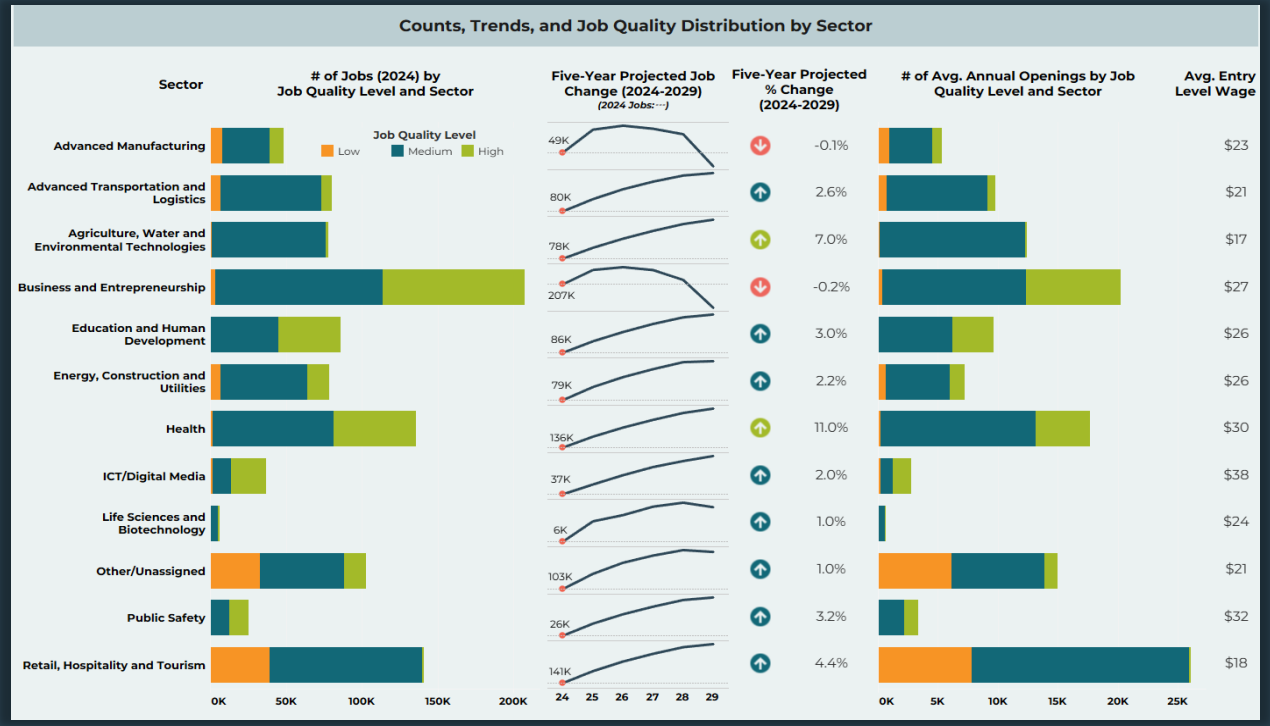
Sector	
Retail, Hospitality and Tourism	26,102
Business and Entrepreneurship	20,264
Health	17,716
Other/Unassigned	14,964
Agriculture, Water and Environmental Technologies	12,415

Five-Year Projected % Change (2024-2029)

Sector	
Health	11.0%
Agriculture, Water and Environmental Technologies	7.0%
Retail, Hospitality and Tourism	4.4%

Entry-Level Hourly Wages

Sector	
Health	$44
Public Safety	$34
Business and Entrepreneurship	$29



Counts, Trends, and Job Quality Distribution by Sector

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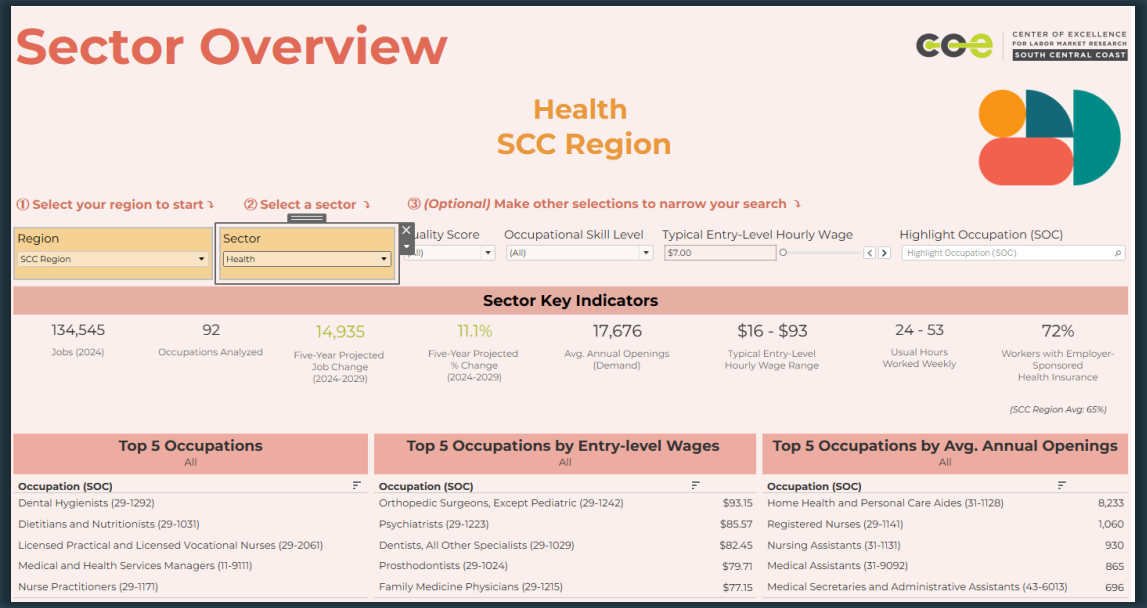

Sector Overview

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Health
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① Select your region to start ② Select a sector ③ *(Optional)* Make other selections to narrow your search

Region: SCC Region | Sector: Health | Job Quality Score: (All) | Occupational Skill Level: (All) | Typical Entry-Level Hourly Wage: $7.00 | Highlight Occupation (SOC)

Sector Key Indicators

134,545	92	14,935	11.1%	17,676	$16 - $93	24 - 53	72%
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Top 5 Occupations — All

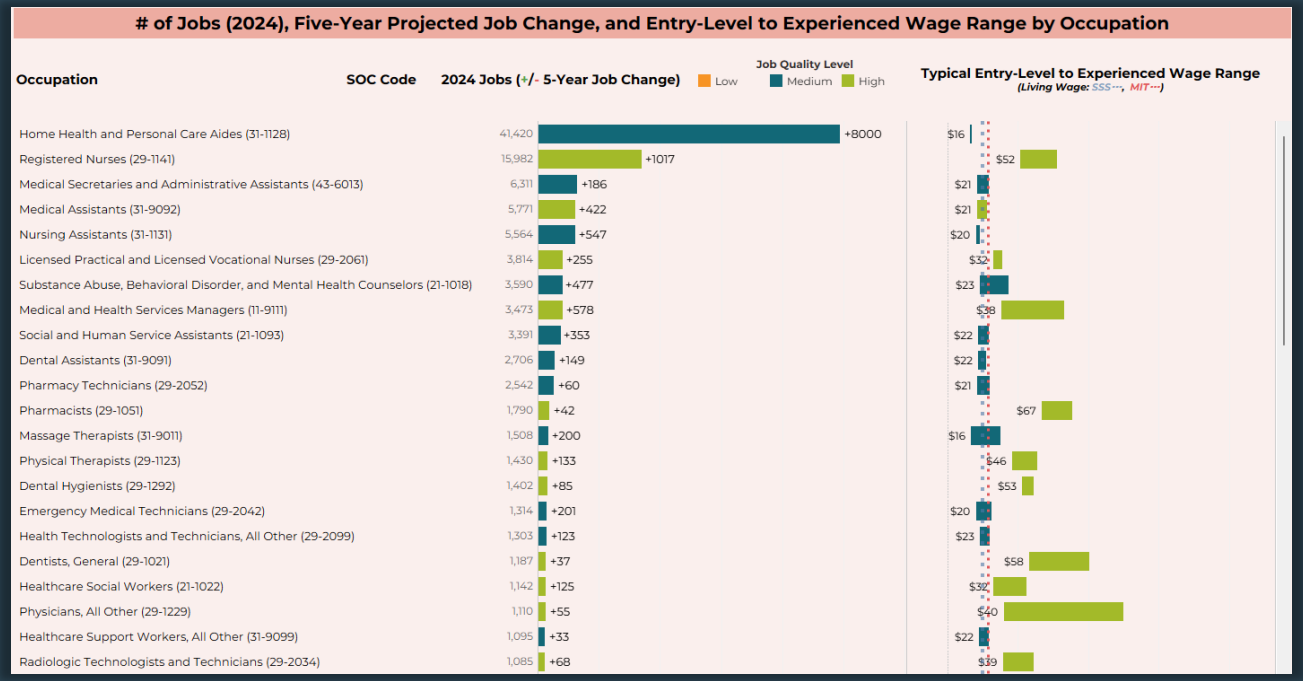
Occupation (SOC)
Dental Hygienists (29-1292)
Dietitians and Nutritionists (29-1031)
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (29-2061)
Medical and Health Services Managers (11-9111)
Nurse Practitioners (29-1171)

Top 5 Occupations by Entry-level Wages — All

Occupation (SOC)	
Orthopedic Surgeons, Except Pediatric (29-1242)	$93.15
Psychiatrists (29-1223)	$85.57
Dentists, All Other Specialists (29-1029)	$82.45
Prosthodontists (29-1024)	$79.71
Family Medicine Physicians (29-1215)	$77.15

Top 5 Occupations by Avg. Annual Openings — All

Occupation (SOC)	
Home Health and Personal Care Aides (31-1128)	8,233
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	1,060
Nursing Assistants (31-1131)	930
Medical Assistants (31-9092)	865
Medical Secretaries and Administrative Assistants (43-6013)	696



# of Jobs (2024), Five-Year Projected Job Change, and Entry-Level to Experienced Wage Range by Occupation

Job Quality Level: Low | Medium | High

Occupation	SOC Code	2024 Jobs	(+/- 5-Year Job Change)	Typical Entry-Level to Experienced Wage Range (*Living Wage: SSS···, MIT···*)
Home Health and Personal Care Aides	31-1128	41,420	+8000	$16
Registered Nurses	29-1141	15,982	+1017	$52
Medical Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	43-6013	6,311	+186	$21
Medical Assistants	31-9092	5,771	+422	$21
Nursing Assistants	31-1131	5,564	+547	$20
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	29-2061	3,814	+255	$32
Substance Abuse, Behavioral Disorder, and Mental Health Counselors	21-1018	3,590	+477	$23
Medical and Health Services Managers	11-9111	3,473	+578	$38
Social and Human Service Assistants	21-1093	3,391	+353	$22
Dental Assistants	31-9091	2,706	+149	$22
Pharmacy Technicians	29-2052	2,542	+60	$21
Pharmacists	29-1051	1,790	+42	$67
Massage Therapists	31-9011	1,508	+200	$16
Physical Therapists	29-1123	1,430	+133	$46
Dental Hygienists	29-1292	1,402	+85	$53
Emergency Medical Technicians	29-2042	1,314	+201	$20
Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other	29-2099	1,303	+123	$23
Dentists, General	29-1021	1,187	+37	$58
Healthcare Social Workers	21-1022	1,142	+125	$32
Physicians, All Other	29-1229	1,110	+55	$40
Healthcare Support Workers, All Other	31-9099	1,095	+33	$22
Radiologic Technologists and Technicians	29-2034	1,085	+68	$39

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