J2J Explorer 1.0
and
J2J Data Concepts

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Training Outline

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Job-to-Job Flows (J2J) are national statistics on job mobility in the U.S.

With these data, users can learn more about workers entering and exiting nonemployment as well as those moving from one job to another.

It fills an important gap that other available data sources do not currently cover.

Note: Shaded regions indicate NBER recession quarters. All data are seasonally adjusted. These J2J tabulations do not include planned adjustments to the J2J series to account for partially-missing geography early in the time series.
J2J Data Product

- Better understand worker turnover
  - Are separations mostly coming from workers changing jobs or from workers transitioning into nonemployment?
  - When workers change jobs, are they switching to new industries or moving to a new locations?
- See the impact of job ladders
  - Are job moves leading to workers moving ‘up the job ladder’ to better paying industries and employers?
- Look at economic migration across labor markets
  - What labor markets are we losing workers to? Which workers? What industries in my state are importing workers from other states?
J2J Explorer (Beta)

- Six Visualization Modules with a flexible dashboard interface
- Trace worker movements through industries, geographic labor markets, and to/from employment
- Analyze/report by origin and destination geographies at the state and national level
- Analyze/report by origin and destination firm characteristics (i.e. NAICS Sector, firm age, and firm size)
- Analyze/report by worker demographics: age, earnings, race, ethnicity, educational attainment, and sex
- Export reports to Excel or CSV
- Data updated every quarter
Visualizations in J2J Explorer
Coming Soon in J2J Explorer 1.0

✓ New measures, including 10 showing earnings before/after different worker reallocation situations
✓ There are now 59 measures!! (but only 9 “Recommended Measures”)
✓ Tabulations for Metropolitan Areas (Origin and Destination)
✓ Ability to cross Worker Characteristics with Firm Characteristics
✓ Rankings and Normalizations Functionality
✓ Scheduled for release early October
Quick Demo

A Comparison of Earnings Indicators for Job Flows to 20 Industries in Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA
Tabulations by Metro Areas

- Users can now look at job-to-job flows
  - Between metro areas
  - Between metro areas and states
  - Between metro areas and the nation
- Metro areas are defined by OMB and conceptually consist of a core urbanized area (with 50k+ population) with adjacent communities having a high degree of economic and social integration with that core
  - Data for non-metro area state-remainders are also provided
  - A list of codes for metro areas and non-metro area state-remainders can be found in the latest J2J schema; see lehd.ces.census.gov/data/schema/j2j_latest/lehd_public_use_schema.html
Tabulations by Metro Areas

- J2J counts/rates at the metro level are only tabulated by:
  - NAICS sector
    - Sex by Age
    - Sex by Education
    - Race by Ethnicity
- J2JOD counts to/from the metro level are only tabulated by:
  - Origin NAICS sector by Destination NAICS sector
    - Sex by Age
    - Sex by Education
    - Race by Ethnicity
- Only non-seasonally adjusted tabulations are available
Tabulations by Metro Areas

- State data varies in availability so metro area data likewise varies in availability
- For metros areas crossing state borders, availability is limited to quarters when data for all associated states are available
- For OD indicators, data availability is limited to quarters when data for all associated geographies are available
Earnings Indicators

- Earnings are tabulated at the state and metro level
  - Tabulations at the national level are under development and will be provided in a future release
- Averages are provided for all available cross tabulations
- Earnings are only calculated for workers with stable jobs (i.e. lasting at least three quarters)
Earnings Indicators

- Average Earnings prior to Stable Job Stayer (JobStaySEarn_Orig)
- Continuous Employment (EESSEarn_Orig)
- Brief Nonemployment (AQHireSEarn_Orig)
- Average Earnings prior to Stable Separations to Persistent Nonemployment (ENSepSEarn_Orig)
- Average Earnings following Stable Job Stayer (JobStaySEarn_Dest)
- Continuous Employment (EESSEarn_Dest)
- Brief Nonemployment (AQHireSEarn_Dest)
- Average Earnings following Stable Hires from Persistent Nonemployment (NEHireSEarn_Dest)

Working for Firm A
Working for Firm B
Last quarter working for Firm A (Separation)
First quarter working for Firm B (Hire)
Earnings for Firm A
Earnings for Firm B
Period of Nonemployment
Any job history (employment or nonemployment)

Solid color indicates job source of earnings measure
Maine’s worker shortage in long term care

This will be catastrophic: Maine families face elder boom, worker shortage in preview of nation’s future

DOVER-FOXCROFT, Maine — Janet Flaherty got an alarming call last October from the agency tasked with coordinating in-home care for her 86-year-old mother. It could no longer send her mom’s home caregiver. It knew of no other aides who could care for her mother, either.

Flaherty’s mother, Caroline, had for two years qualified for in-home care paid for by the state’s Medicaid program. But the agency could not find anyone to hire amid a severe shortage of workers that has crippled facilities for seniors across the state.
Exercise 1

- Imagine you’re a LMI analyst for Maine and want to see where worker inflows to Maine’s Health industry are coming from
  - Flow Type: Hires to
  - Destination State: Maine
  - Destination Industry: Health Care and Social Assistance
- Start with the Guided Entry
  - See the states where job changers are coming from
    - HINT: The Guided Entry should lead you to a map
Exercise 1

QUESTION:
Which states have the highest counts of worker flows to Maine’s Health industry?

ANSWER:
1. Maine
2. New Hampshire
3. Massachusetts
4. Florida
5. New York
6. Texas
7. California
Exercise 1

- Since the demand for long term care is driven by Maine’s aging population, you’re particularly interested in seeing where younger workers are flowing from.

- Switch to the bipartite chart to see how these job-to-job flows break down by origin state and age group.
  - Add Maine back into the list of origin states.
Exercise 1

QUESTION:
For which states are the highest percentages of inflows made up of younger workers?

ANSWER:
1. California
2. New York
3. Texas
4. Massachusetts
5. Maine
6. New Hampshire
7. Florida
Exercise 1

- To get a sense of how these inflows are changing over time, switch to the line chart
Exercise 1

QUESTION:
What is the time trend by origin state?

ANSWER:
- Definitely growing for: Maine, Massachusetts
- Potentially growing for: New Hampshire, New York, and Texas
- Steady for: California, Florida
CONCLUSIONS:

- Worker inflows to Maine’s Health Industry are coming from neighboring New England states as well as farther states with large populations.
- The youngest workers are mostly coming from outside the Northeast.
- Time series by origin states varies; some inflows are increasing over time while others have remained steady.
New Orleans after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita
Exercise 2

Many people evacuated New Orleans before/during Hurricane Katrina. You’re interested in seeing where workers went at a metro area level.

- Flows Type: Job-to-Job
- Origin Metro Area: New Orleans-Metairie, LA
- Origin Industry: All

Go to the following link: [http://j2j-demo.excensus-online.com/explore.html#9184](http://j2j-demo.excensus-online.com/explore.html#9184)

Select all years and quarters available

- Use the ranking function to show the top 10 destination metro areas for 2005 Q4
  - J2J is timed to the quarter of the hire so we’re using the quarter after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita to see where workers moved
Exercise 2

QUESTION:
What were the top destination metro areas for workers who changed jobs after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita?

ANSWER:
1. Baton Rouge, LA
2. Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX
3. Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX
4. Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA
5. Lafayette, LA
Exercise 2

- You’re also interested in seeing which industries in New Orleans saw the largest outflows of workers.
- Change the Lines dropdown menu to origin NAICS sector
  - Use Baton Rouge, LA as the destination metro area
  - Use the ranking function to show the top 10 origin NAICS sector for workers who changed jobs in 2005 Q4
Exercise 2

QUESTION:
Which NAICS sectors saw large spikes of worker outflows?

ANSWER:
1. Accommodation and Food Services
2. Health Care and Social Assistance
3. Educational Services
4. Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation
Exercise 2

- Change the Lines dropdown menu to various worker demographics, such as sex, age, race, etc.
CONCLUSIONS:

- After Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, workers in New Orleans predominantly went to Baton Rouge or left Louisiana entirely.
- The Accommodations, Health Care, Education, and Arts industries were particularly hard hit and experienced large spikes of workers leaving for another job.
- While men usually change jobs at a higher rate than women, there was no difference between the two right after the hurricanes.
Job Ladders and Earnings Increases
Exercise 3

- The US is currently in a period of earnings growth. Let’s take a look at how earnings for workers changing jobs in Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV have grown in the past few years.
  - Flows Type: Job-to-Job Flows
  - Origin Metro Area: Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV
  - Destination Metro Area: Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV
- Go to the following link: http://j2j-demo.excensus-online.com/explore.html#9177
  - Cycle through the different worker characteristic categories in the X-Axis dropdown to see earnings changes
Exercise 3

QUESTION:
Do workers of all demographic backgrounds see earnings growth?

ANSWER:
- On average, earnings at new jobs were greater than earnings at old jobs. This was true for men and women as well as workers of all age groups, education levels, and races. Some groups did see smaller increases than others. For example, workers in the 45-54 and 55-64 age groups as well as those with Bachelor degrees or higher saw relatively less growth but they also had the highest earnings.
Exercise 3

- Since different industries pay workers different amounts, you can also see whether average earnings increased for all industries.
- Change the X-Axis to Destination NAICS sector.
  - Also look at Origin NAICS sector.
QUESTION:
Does earnings growth vary by industry?

ANSWER:
- For most origin and destination industries, workers experienced earnings increases after changing jobs.
- However, workers leaving a job in Finance or Management saw their earnings decrease.
- Similarly, workers who moved to an Education job saw a slight decrease in earnings.
Exercise 3

- Let’s dig a little more into workers who moved into Education jobs and see if their earnings vary by worker characteristics
- Change the X-Axis to Sex
  - Filter the Destination NAICS Sector to Educational Services
  - Click different worker characteristics for the X-Axis
Exercise 3

QUESTION:
How do earnings for workers moving to Education jobs vary by worker characteristics?

ANSWER:
- The drop in earnings appears to be experienced by men while women tend to earn about the same as their previous jobs.
- Older Education workers saw substantial decreases while younger workers received increases.
- Declines appear to grow as workers have higher levels of education.
CONCLUSIONS:

- Workers in Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV are generally seeing increases in earnings after changing jobs.
- While some demographics groups see smaller increases than others, all see earnings growth on average.
- However, industry matters. Workers moving to Education jobs are typically seeing drops in earnings. This predominantly affects men, older workers, and workers with higher levels of education.
Exercise 4: Ranking States

What States Hire the Most Workers From Nonemployment?
Let’s see the top 10 states that hired workers from spells of persistent nonemployment (normalized by labor market size):

- Select “Hires from Persistent Nonemployment (NEPersist)” in the Indicator dropdown.
- Set “Destination State” in the Rows dropdown and “None” in the Columns dropdown.
- Filter by 4 quarter average for 2017 (check all four quarter’s checkboxes for 2017).
- Click the “None” link underneath “Ranking” in Advanced Functions (underneath Filters) and click the checkbox next to “Rank this axis”. Click Set Ranking to enable the Top 10 Destination States.
- Note that large population states appear in the table. To normalize, click the “None” link underneath “Normalize” in Advanced Functions (underneath Filters) and click the radio button next to “Labor Market Size”. Click Set Normalization.

Analysis
Wyoming hires the most workers from nonemployment spells (6%), followed by Montana, Idaho, Colorado, and New Mexico. Interestingly, if you change the indicator to “Separations to Persistent Nonemployment (ENPersist)”, many of same states are at the top of the list.
Exercise 4: Ranking Metro Areas

What Metro Areas Hire the Most Workers From Nonemployment?
Let’s do the same analysis for metro areas instead of states – find the top 10 metro areas that hired workers from spells of persistent nonemployment (normalized by labor market size):

- Select “Hires from Persistent Nonemployment (NEPersist)” in the Indicator dropdown.
- Set “Destination Metro Areas” in the Rows dropdown and “None” in the Columns dropdown.
- Filter by 4 quarter average for 2017 (check all four quarter’s checkboxes for 2017).
- Click the “None” link underneath “Ranking” in Advanced Functions (underneath Filters) and click the checkbox next to “Rank this axis”. Click Set Ranking to enable the Top 10 Destination States.
- Note that large population metro areas appear in the table. To normalize, click the “None” link underneath “Normalize” in Advanced Functions (underneath Filters) and click the radio button next to “Labor Market Size”. Click Set Normalization.

Analysis
Ocean City, NJ hires the most workers from nonemployment spells (14%), followed by Yuma AZ, El Centro, and Salinas, CA. Interestingly, if you change the indicator to “Separations to Persistent Nonemployment (ENPersist)”, many of same metro areas are at the top of the list.
Exercise 4: Ranking Industries

What Industries Hire the Most Workers From Nonemployment?
Let’s see the top 10 industries that hired workers from spells of persistent nonemployment (normalized by labor market size):

- Select “Hires from Persistent Nonemployment (NPEPersist)” in the Indicator dropdown.
- Set “Destination NAICS Sector” in the Rows dropdown and “None” in the Columns dropdown.
- Filter by 4 quarter average for 2017 (check all four quarter’s checkboxes for 2017).
- Click the “None” link underneath “Ranking” in Advanced Functions (underneath Filters) and click the checkbox next to “Rank this axis”. Click Set Ranking to enable the Top 10 Destination States.
- Note that industries with the largest employment appear at the top of the table. To normalize, click the “None” link underneath “Normalize” in Advanced Functions (underneath Filters) and click the radio button next to “Labor Market Size”. Click Set Normalization.
- After noting these results, try filtering by a Destination State to see how the Top 10 Industries changes depending on geography.

Analysis
At the national level, the Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting industry hires the most workers from persistent nonemployment spells (13%), followed by Arts, Entertainment and Recreation, and Accommodation and Food Services. If I filter by Texas, Accommodation and Food Services moves to the top. If I filter by Ohio, Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation moves to the top. If I set the rankings to show Bottom 10 (national—level), the Utilities industry has the fewest hires from nonemployment (as a share of total employment).
Exercise 5: State/Metro J2J Profiles

Share of Hires from Persistent Nonemployment
Let’s see what the share of workers hired in your state or metro area came from persistent nonemployment:

- Select “Count Indicators” in the Rows dropdown and choose to display only “Hires (MHire)” and “Hires from Persistent Employment (NEPersist)”.  
- Set the Columns dropdown to “None”.  
- Filter by 4 quarter average for 2017 (check all four quarter’s checkboxes for 2017).  
- Filter by “Destination State” or “Destination Metro Area” as your desired geography (DC Metro in my case).  
- Divide NEPersist (123,038 for DC) by MHire (272,985 for DC) to get 45%.  
- Set a “Destination NAICS Sector” filter as an industry of interest (Professional Services in DC) and divide the new NEPersist value (16,157 for DC) by MHire (44,657 for DC) to get 36%.

Analysis
45% of all hires in the DC Metro Area come from workers that were previously not employed. This decreases to 36% of all hires when looking only at hires into Professional, Scientific and Technical Services jobs.
Exercise 5: State/Metro J2J Profiles

J2J Flow Industry Earnings
Let’s see what industries had the highest earnings following a J2J flow in your state/metro area:

- Select “Earnings following Job-to-Job Flows (J2JSEarn_Dest)” in the Indicator dropdown.
- Set “Destination NAICS Sector” in the Rows dropdown and “None” in the Columns dropdown.
- Filter by “Destination State” or “Destination Metro Area” as your desired geography (DC Metro in my case).
- Click the “All” column header to sort the quarterly average earnings ascending and descending.

Analysis
Workers hired into DC Metro jobs from another job earned the most in Utilities, Professional/Scientific/Technical Services, Information, and Management of Companies and Enterprises.
Exercise 5: State/Metro J2J Profiles

Workers Hired from Out-of-State Go into What Industries?
Let’s see what industries in your state/metro area hired out-of-state workers:

- Select “Job-to-Job Flows (J2J)” in the Indicator dropdown.
- Set “Destination NAICS Sector” in the Rows dropdown and “None” in the Columns dropdown.
- Filter by “Destination State” or “Destination Metro Area” as your desired geography (DC Metro in my case).
- Also set a filter for “Origin State” to all states except any in-state geography, AK, and SD (in-state geography because we want out-of-state workers, AK and SD because those states don’t have 2017 data).
- Click the “All” column header to sort the count of J2J flows ascending and descending.

Analysis
Workers hired into DC Metro jobs from out-of-state primarily go into Professional/Scientific/Technical Services, Retail Trade, Accommodation/Food Services, and Administrative/Support/Waste Management/Remediation Services.
Exercise 5: State/Metro J2J Profiles

Industry/State Combinations Flowing into your State
Let’s see what neighboring state’s flows into your state/metro area end up in particular industries:

- Click on the “Bipartite” visualization and select “Job-to-Job Flows (J2J)” in the Indicator dropdown.
- The Left Column dropdown should be set to “Origin State” with all states any in-state geography, AK, and SD (in-state geography because we want out-of-state workers, AK and SD because those states don’t have 2017 data).
- The Right Column dropdown should be set to “Destination NAICS Sector”.
- Filter by 4 quarter average for 2017 (check all four quarter’s checkboxes for 2017).
- Filter by “Destination State” or “Destination Metro Area” as your desired geography (DC Metro in my case).
- Make sure that Rankings is enabled to show the “Top 10 Origin States” (in the Advanced Functions section below the Filters).
- Click the % button to show percentages and hover over the states on the left to see which states have the highest percentages of flows into certain industries.

Analysis
Workers flowing into the DC Metro Area from Texas are more likely to be hired into jobs in Professional/Scientific/Technical Services (31%) than those from other origin states. Workers flowing from West Virginia into the DC Metro Area are more likely to be hired into Construction (12%), while workers flowing into the region from North Carolina are more likely to be hired into jobs in Administrative/Support/Waste Management/Remediation Services (14%).
One-Page Example Analysis Examples

Accessing J2J Data

LEHD provides a wide variety of access points to the data in order to accommodate as many user needs as possible:

- Web tool users: Create your own table, chart, and map using the flexible user-interface of [J2J Explorer](https://lehd.ces.census.gov/data/j2j_beta.html)
- Advanced data users: Bulk download of raw J2J files from [https://lehd.ces.census.gov/data/j2j/](https://lehd.ces.census.gov/data/j2j/)
- Our Development Wish List: Add J2J to [LED Extraction Tool](https://ledextrac.ces.census.gov/) so that Intermediate data users can extract the exact indicators and characteristics they need
Useful Links

- J2J Explorer
  - Help Pages
  - Analysis Guides
  - FAQs
- Raw J2J Data
  - Data Homepage
  - J2J 101
  - J2J QuickStart Guide
  - J2J Data Notices
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