

Useful sources of careers and labour market information

- Take time to reflect on your own understanding: How up-to-date are you? How much has changed since you were at university? What routes are there other than university?
- It's no longer safe to assume that if a young person has not achieved straight A* GCSE and A level results they can rule out medicine or veterinary science.
- Ensure that young people are aware of how their subject and course choices can open career options, but can also close them down.
- Young people need to hear about careers, work and job roles from the 'experts' – the people doing those jobs. Case studies are brilliant! They give young people the best insight and enable them to ask pertinent questions and get real, valid answers.
- Ask people about their career progression routes – it helps to recognise that paths are not necessarily linear and throw up some unexpected career choices.

For UK advisers and students

- **UCAS has an evolving careers resource**, with job role profiles, subjects and skills information: [Explore jobs](#).
- **Teach First has published a report: [Careers education in the classroom - The role of teachers in making young people work ready](#)**.
- **The Career Development Institute (CDI)** has produced a [Framework for careers, employability and enterprise education 7-19](#), to support the planning, delivery and evaluation of careers education for children and young people, aged 7-19.
- **The UK Commission for Employment and Skills (UKCES)** provides regular labour market research and reports, including projections for employment opportunities and employer skills needs:
 - The Working Futures report, based on detailed labour market information, offers a forecast up to the year 2020, based on past behaviour and performance. The report isn't intended to offer precise predictions – but an indication of which industries might expand, which might contract, and on what scale
 - [Sector Insights](#) cover a range of sectors and topics

- **Careers of the Future** and **The Future of Work: Jobs and Skills in 2030** present an assessment of future challenges and opportunities in the labour market, and the implications for jobs and skills
- **National Careers Service** (England) **My World of Work** (Scotland), **Careers Service** (Northern Ireland) and **Careers Wales** provide a range of information and job profiles.
- **National Careers Service** and **icould** provide labour market information (LMI) by sector and region.

For International advisers and students

- The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) produces a range of statistics and reports, including the annual Employment Outlook in-depth review of labour market trends and short-term prospects in OECD countries. **Country-specific findings are also available here.**
- There may also be national labour market information sources you can utilise.