

Purpose

The National Training, Education, and Workforce Survey (NTEWS)—sponsored by the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES) within the National Science Foundation (NSF) and by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) within the Department of Education—will provide data on the educational and training characteristics of the nation’s workforce, with a focus on those in the [skilled technical workforce](#). The NTEWS will sample individuals who are living in the United States, ages 16 through 75, and not currently enrolled in high school. Data from this survey will provide information on the prevalence of work-related credentials (vocational certificates, occupational licenses, and industry-recognized certifications) and the relationship between these credentials and employment outcomes. This survey will expand other NCSES surveys of the college-educated workforce ([National Survey of Recent College Graduates](#), [National Survey of College Graduates](#), and [Survey of Doctorate Recipients](#)) by providing new data on the workforce who do not have a bachelor’s degree or higher.

Data collection authority

The information collected in the NTEWS will be solicited under the authority of the NSF Act of 1950, as amended; the America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010; and the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002. The Census Bureau collects the NTEWS data under the authority of Title 13, Section 8 of the United States Code. The Office of Management and Budget control number is 3145-0264.

Major changes to recent survey cycle

The administration of the 2022 NTEWS will be the first cycle of the survey, which will begin to address the federal government’s need for data on work-related credentials and the skilled technical workforce. Some content for the 2022 NTEWS will draw from NCES’s [2016 Adult Training and Education Survey](#) (ATES), NCSES’s [National Survey of College Graduates](#) (NSCG), and the Census Bureau’s [American Community Survey](#) (ACS).