

Lay Titles July 2008

Introduction

The Lay Titles file provides a list of alternate occupational titles that are linked to the SOC and O*NET-SOC classification systems. The file was developed to improve keyword searches in several Department of Labor internet applications (i.e., Career InfoNet, O*NET OnLine, and O*NET Code Connector). The file contains occupational titles from existing occupational classification systems, as well as from other diverse sources.

O*NET-SOC 2006 taxonomy

Note: these files are based on the O*NET-SOC 2006 taxonomy, which is used by O*NET database releases 10.0 and later. If you use these files with O*NET 9.0 or earlier, you may notice differences in occupational codes and titles. For more information about the O*NET-SOC 2006 taxonomy, and supplemental files compatible with earlier O*NET databases, please visit the O*NET Resource Center at <http://www.onetcenter.org>.

File Structure

Each file in the Lay Titles package is described in this document. A list of columns is included, showing the column name used in the file, its data type, and a description of the column content. A description and data example for each file are also included.

The data types specified in the file structures are ANSI (American National Standards Institute) compliant. The following data types are used in this document:

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| Character: | fixed-length character string |
| Character Varying: | varying-length string |

Each file contains tab delimited fields in the above data types.

Lay Titles

Purpose: Provide alternate occupational titles for SOC and O*NET-SOC systems.

File Name: Lay Titles.txt

Structure and Description:

| Column | Type | Column Content |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| SOC Code | Character(7) | SOC Occupation Code |
| SOC Title | Character Varying(150) | SOC Occupation Title |
| O*NET-SOC Code | Character(10) | O*NET-SOC Occupation Code |
| O*NET-SOC Title | Character Varying(150) | O*NET-SOC Occupation Title |
| Lay Title | Character Varying(150) | Alternate occupational title |
| Type | Character(2) | “AC” (Acronym) or “AB” (Abbreviation) |
| Source(s) | Character Varying(50) | List of source codes — see below |

This file contains alternate occupational titles for the SOC and O*NET-SOC classification systems. There are many instances of a blank (no value) for the “Type” column. The “Source(s)” column contains a comma delimited list of codes which indicate the source of the title information; the codes are identified below:

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| 01 | Associations [i.e., National Retail Federation, Environmental Career Centers (ECC), etc.] |
| 02 | Incumbent Data – O*NET Data Collection |
| 03 | Occupational Code Assignment (OCA) |
| 04 | SOC (i.e., SOC Index, SOC Volume 2, etc.) |
| 05 | State Agencies |
| 06 | US Bureau of Census (e.g., Census Index) |
| 07 | USDOL – BLS (e.g., IT to SOC) |
| 08 | USDOL – ETA (i.e., OPDER, OATELS, ACINET/Fu Associates, DOT, O*NET Center, etc.) |
| 09 | USDOL – User input, web applications (Code Connector, OnLine, and ACINET) |
| 10 | Other |

The file contains 7 tab delimited fields, identified using the column names provided above. The 7 fields are represented by one row. There are a total of 50,908 rows of data in this file.

Data Example:

| SOC Code | SOC Title | O*NET-SOC Code | O*NET-SOC Title | Lay Title | Type | Source(s) |
|----------|---|----------------|---|---------------------------------|------|-----------|
| 15-1032 | Computer Software Engineers, Systems Software | 15-1032.00 | Computer Software Engineers, Systems Software | Certified Novell Engineer (CNE) | AC | 06 |
| 11-3031 | Financial Managers | 11-3031.02 | Financial Managers, Branch or Department | Bank Advisor | | 04,06 |
| 29-2099 | Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other | 29-2099.99 | Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other | Sleep Technician | | 09 |