**Professional Associations dataset**

**About this dataset**: CareerOneStop collects information about national professional and industry associations and provides it to users via the Professional Association Finder (<https://www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-professional-associations.aspx>.)

Professional associations are groups focused on developing, promoting, and upholding standards for their related occupations and industries. Listings from this dataset can help users to:

* Develop a network of peers in their occupation or industry.
* Find professional development opportunities to help them advance their career or enter a new field.
* Keep current on changes in their occupation or industry through conferences and publications.

**What is included**: This dataset includes fields that describe the name, URL, related O\*NET and NAICS codes for nearly 2,500 professional associations. Also included are whether the association offers a certification, and the URL of an associated career center / job board, if available.

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| **TABLE\_NAME** | **COLUMN\_NAME** | **Description** |
| Professional Associations | Association Name | Name of the professional association |
|  | Association URL | professional association website |
|  | Certification (Y/N) | Yes, No or blank, indicator of if the association offers certifications |
|  | Career Center URL | Web page of association's career center if applicable |
|  | NAICS Code | NAICS Code that the professional association best relates to. A NAICS (pronounced NAKES) Code is a classification within the North American Industry Classification System. The NAICS System was developed for use by Federal Statistical Agencies for the collection, analysis and publication of statistical data related to the US Economy. |
|  | O\*NET Code | O\*NET Code that the professional association best relates to. The Occupational Information Network (O\*NET) is a Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) based system. |

**Data source**: This information is collected and maintained by CareerOneStop; data collection began in 2013.

**Available formats**: The dataset is available for download in Microsoft Excel.

**Update schedule:** Annual

**Access the data:**

Professional Association Finder: <https://www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-professional-associations.aspx>

Data download: <https://www.careeronestop.org/Developers/Data/data-downloads.aspx>