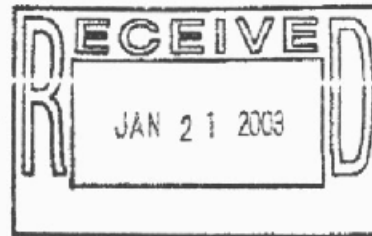




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Dear Mr. Lowry:

Thank you for your letter asking about U.S. Census Bureau job codes. We are happy to provide you the information you requested.

The Dictionary of Occupational Titles is no longer in use. It was replaced by the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC), which is located on the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) at <http://online.onetcenter.org>. You also can access the SOC directly at <http://stats.bls.gov/soc/>. The Census Bureau's job codes are based on SOC codes, but they are not identical to them. Census 2000 codes and their corresponding SOC codes are located at http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/lotindex/cens_001_043.html.

Although we asked for both the occupation and the number of hours worked in Census 2000, we do not produce a standard table that shows occupation by whether the jobs are full-time or part-time. Census codes do report information on some seasonal-jobs' categories, such as agriculture and forestry. The Census Bureau does not collect the data to indicate whether jobs were filled by promotion or through open competition.

If you would like to see a list of the standard decennial census tables that we generate from occupational data, as well as the categories of information in each table, this information is located in Chapter 5 of the Summary File 3 at <http://www.census.gov/prod/cen2000/doc/sf3.pdf>.

If you have further questions, please call Ms. Mary Kirk of our Housing and Household Economic Statistics Division at (301) 763-5875.

Sincerely,

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