

## WHAT IS JEDX?

A data standards-based approach for how employers can produce enhanced and more timely data on both jobs and employment. JEDx is a unique opportunity to modernize America's workforce data through a national public-private partnership and data trust.

- **What is a Data Standard?** A standardized format for how data is organized so it can be shared, compared, and discovered. Data standards allows for data to be organized and compared in our daily lives (e.g., automobiles, flight schedules, hotel rooms).
- **What is a Data Trust?** An agreement among parties to share, access, and use data for agreed upon and permitted uses. Data trusts are currently used to support data sharing and use agreements for healthcare, workforce, and education data, to name a few.

## WHY NOW?

The biggest gap in our knowledge is accurate, timely, and trusted data for our dynamic economy and labor market. As the United States emerges from a historic economic downturn and seeks to put Americans back to work, we have a critical need for **(1)** improved labor market information; and **(2)** enhanced employment data for evidence-based policy and the administration of government programs (e.g., Unemployment Insurance or UI).

## WHO?

Through JEDx, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation has assembled a unique coalition of state and national public and private sector partners, stakeholders, and leaders that stand ready to close this data gap on a national scale.

## WHAT DOES IT DO?

**(1)** JEDx streamlines and improves how employers report data to government agencies; **(2)** produces better longitudinal data about jobs and employment to power new workforce analytics while protecting privacy; and **(3)** empowers Americans with data and trusted records to verify their work history as well as their eligibility for government benefits.

## WHO BENEFITS?

- **Workers and Learners:**
  - Better information on job opportunities and requirements.
  - More current and trusted records for use when applying for jobs, education opportunities, and government benefits.
- **Education and Workforce Partners:**
  - Improved information on in-demand jobs, skills, and credentials.
  - Improved career guidance for learners.
- **Government Agencies:**
  - Enhanced information on labor markets and employment outcomes to support evidence-based policymaking.
  - Better administration of government programs and benefits, including UI.
- **Employers:**
  - Reduced federal and state reporting burden.
  - Better communication of in-demand jobs and skills to jobs seekers and programs that prepare people for jobs.

## WHEN?

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation is building a coalition of public and private partners to begin testing JEDx data and use cases in 2022, with the goal of forming a national, public-private data trust by 2024.

**The Need To Modernize America's Data Infrastructure Is As Urgent As It Is Necessary.**

To learn more, visit [uschamberfoundation.org/JEDx](https://uschamberfoundation.org/JEDx) or contact Jason A. Tyszko, vice president, U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, at [jtyszko@uschamber.com](mailto:jtyszko@uschamber.com).