#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

## **CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION** FIVE WAYS THA

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## **ALONG THE WAY TO THE B.A.**

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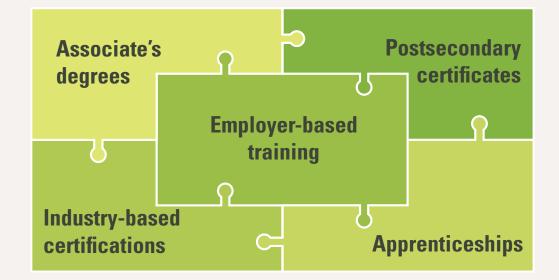
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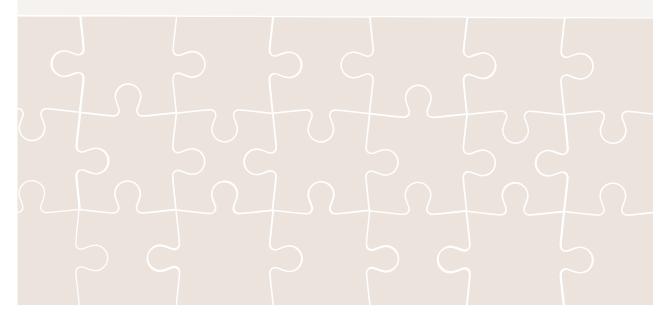
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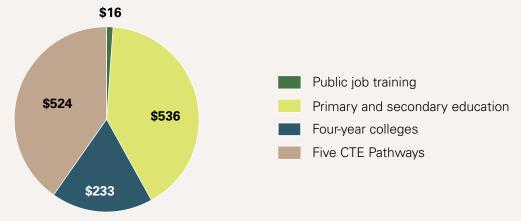
#### There are five Career and Technical Education (CTE) pathways that educate and train Americans for these jobs.



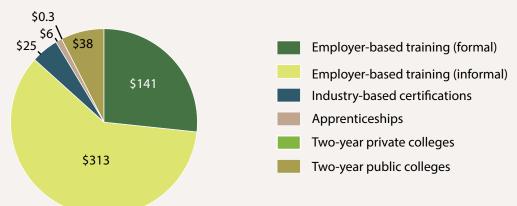


### The United States invests roughly \$1.4 trillion in human capital development each year. National spending on the five CTE pathways totals \$524 billion annually.

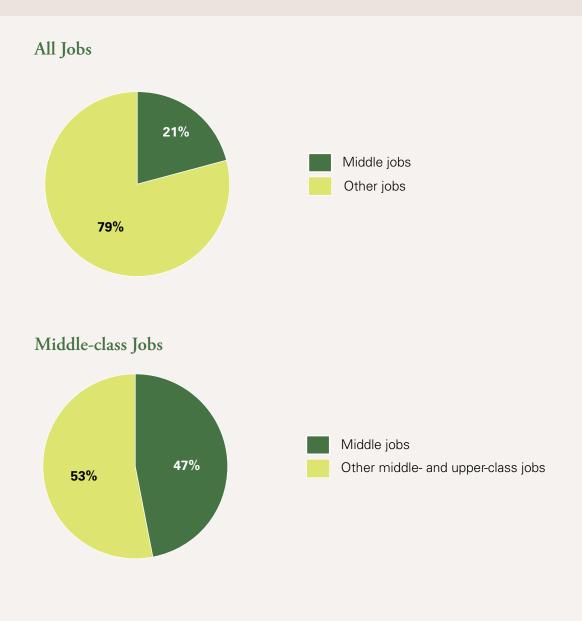
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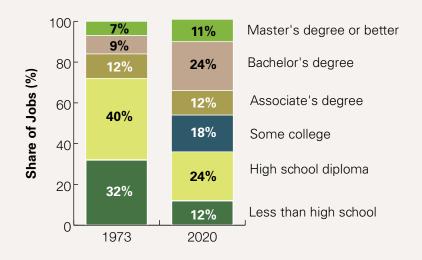
### The 29 million "middle jobs" represent one out of every five jobs in the American economy and nearly half of all American jobs that pay middleclass wages.



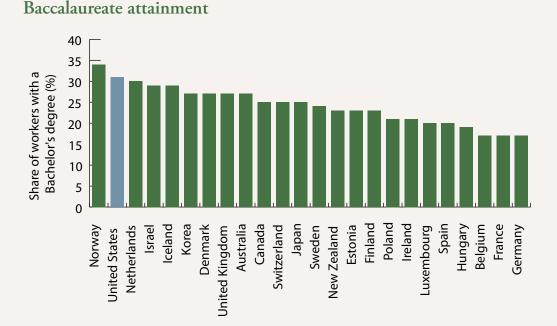
## More than 11 million middle jobs pay \$50,000 or more annually, and 4 million pay \$75,000 or more.



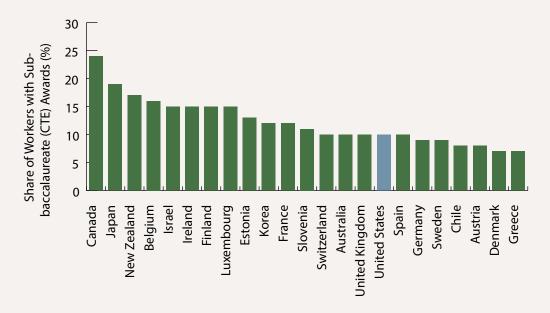
#### At least some postsecondary education or training is becoming the entry-level requirement for many jobs.



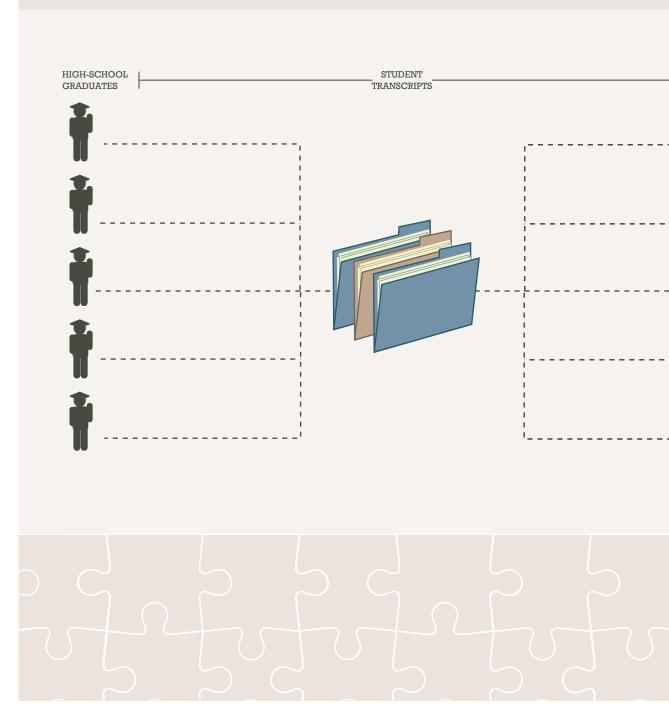
# The United States is ranked second internationally in baccalaureate attainment, but ranks 16th in sub-baccalaureate (CTE) attainment.

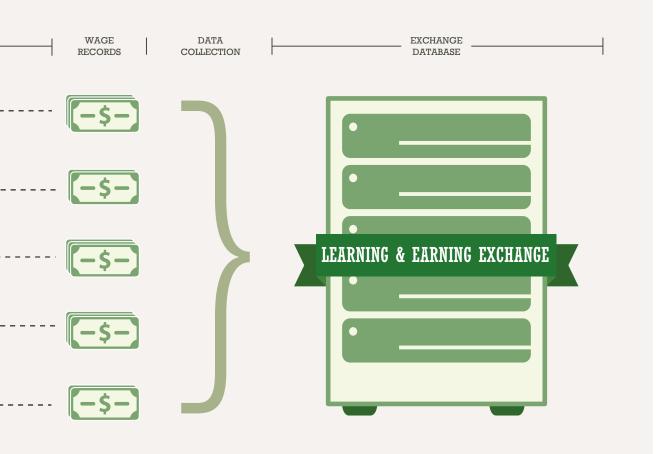


#### Sub-baccalaureate (CTE) attainment



### Information systems that make the connections between CTE programs and job openings transparent are the crucial reform going forward.







## The five CTE pathways make further education more affordable.



Career and Technical Education: Five Ways That Pay Along the Way to the B.A. comprises a full report and an executive summary. Both can be accessed online at cew.georgetown.edu/ctefiveways.

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