

Training Course How to use Labour Market Intelligence

Module 4

LMI capabilities for employability

Impact and outcomes for policy makers





Introduction

This course explores the dynamic capabilities of Labor Market Information (LMI) and its crucial role in boosting employability outcomes.

The primary goal is to empower Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) with a deep understanding of LMI and facilitate the use of LMI in evidence-based policymaking within these institutions.

This approach is designed to bridge the gap between academic curricula and the evolving needs of the labour market, ensuring that the education provision is directly aligned with current and future job market demands.

Through this alignment, HEIs can enhance the employability of their graduates, making them well-equipped to meet the realworld challenges and opportunities of the labour market.



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Training outline

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LMI CAPABILITIES FOR POLICYMAKERS

Use real-time LMI to adapt policies in response to changing labor market conditions

Lesson 1: Understanding the Role of LMI in Employability and Workforce Development

Objectives:



Provide a foundational understanding of what LMI is, including its sources, types, users and basic principles.



Explore how LMI is utilised in policy development, illustrating its impact on shaping effective workforce and educational policies, and addressing the needs of the labor market.



Highlight the critical role of LMI in making informed decisions for individuals, businesses, and organisations.



What the LMI is?

Labour market intelligence (LMI) is the process of collecting, analysing, and interpreting data about the labour market in order to inform decision-making.

Labour market information is raw data about the labour market, while labour market intelligence is data that has been processed and analysed.

Labour market information can be used to inform decision-making, but it must first be transformed into labour market intelligence.



Example of LMI



What do people do in a job/industry?



How many people work in this job/industry?



What qualifications do I need for this job/industry?



How much do people get paid to do this job?



What skills and qualities do I need for this job?

Labour market information/Labour market intelligence



What are the typical working hours for this job/industry?



What percentage of men and women work in this job/industry?



Where can this job/industry take me in the future?



Where are the jobs located around the country?



How many of these jobs will there be in the future?

Key components of LMI in the context of employability

Labor Market Data: Comprehensive and accurate data on employment rates, job openings, and workforce demographics forms the foundation of Labour Market Intelligence.

Job Market Trends: Analysis of job growth, emerging industries, and changing job roles provides valuable insights into the evolving employment landscape.

Skills Gap Analysis: Assessment of the misalignment between the skills possessed by the workforce and those demanded by employers, highlighting areas for targeted training and development.

Industry Insights: Understanding the specific requirements of different industries, including technological advancements, market demands, and talent needs, to inform tailored interventions and workforce development strategies.

The importance of LMI for informed decision-making

The primary function of LMI is the generation of data and analyses tailored for policymakers and other labor market stakeholders.

LMI is an essential instrument for evidence-based policymaking.

Enables policymakers to make well-informed decisions that are instrumental in fostering employment opportunities, enhancing workforce competencies, and driving economic growth.

Ensuring that labor market policies are not only reactive but also proactive in addressing the dynamic needs of the economy.

How LMI can inform decision-making?

LMI plays a pivotal role in employability and workforce development, serving as a key resource for various stakeholders, including job seekers, educators, employers, and policymakers.

Here's how LMI contributes to these areas:



Government

Ensure health of economy Make policies Asses the policies impact



Individuals

Determine skills required
Career planning
Info about occupation dynamics



Labour market agencies

Provide information to employers Provide information to jobseekers Plan services for clients



Employers

Determine appropriate wages & benefits
Assess the quality & quantity of labour
Assess economic condition for future plans



Education and Training provision

Determine programs and curricula Determine demand by occupation Develop the career services

Applications of LMI in policy development

Enhancement of Job Matching and Placement Services

Guidance for Career Education and Training Initiatives

Identification of Skills Needs and Disparities LMI Application

Foundation for Informed Policy Development

Assessment of Intervention Efficacy



Examples

The European Commission's Employment and Social Policy Directorate-General (DG EMPL) uses LMI to inform its policies on education, training, and employment. The DG collects and analyzes data on labor market trends, skills needs, and employment outcomes to develop evidence-based policies.

The European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (CEDEFOP) uses LMI to identify skill gaps and emerging trends in the labor market, and to develop guidelines for VET providers.

According to LMI-EUniv project survey, about 59% of HEI in EU use LMI to develop curricula.

Lesson 2: Harnessing LMI to Enhance Employability Outcomes

Objectives:



Educate HEIs on how to analyse and interpret LMI data to understand industry trends and emerging skill demands.



Provide frameworks for HEIs to integrate LMI insights into curriculum development and program design.



Train HEI career services staff to utilize LMI for enhancing job matching and placement strategies.



Applications of LMI to enhance employability outcomes

Enhancing job matching and placement services

> Applications of LMI to enhance employability outcomes

Identifying skills needs and emerging trends in the labour market

Guiding career education and training programs towards in-demand occupations

Innovating the use of Labour Market Intelligence within **European Universities**

Key stages

Collect Data

Data Analysis Trend Identification

Policy and Strategy
Development

Labor Statistics

Identify Key Industries

Emerging Trends

Inform Policy and Strategy

Industry Reports

Analyse Job Postings Sector-Specific Trends

Educational Program Alignment

Surveys

Skills Gap Analysis

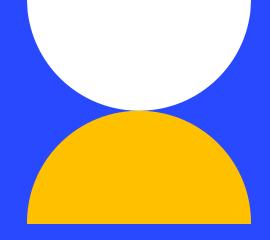
Career Guidance

Job Posting Analytics

Identifying skills needs and emerging trends in the labour market using LMI

Identifying skills needs and emerging trends in the labor market using Labor Market Information and Intelligence involves analysing current and future job market data to understand which skills are in high demand and which industries are growing or evolving.

How to... ...identify skills needs



Analysing Data



Trend Spotting



Skills Gap Identification

Guiding career education and training programs towards in-demand occupations based on LMI insights

Guiding career education and training programs towards in-demand occupations based on LMI insights involves using LMI to align educational and training programs with the current and future needs of the job market. It focuses on ensuring that the skills and knowledge imparted to students and trainees are relevant and in high demand.

How to... ... guide career education and training...

Curriculum Alignment



Career
Pathways
Development



Industry Collaboration

Enhancing job matching and placement services through effective utilisation of LMI

This concept focuses on using LMI to improve the process of connecting job seekers with appropriate employment opportunities. It involves understanding the dynamics of the job market and the specific needs of employers to facilitate better job placements.

How to.... ...enhance job matching and placement services

Skill-Based Matching



Informed Placement Services



Employer Needs Assessment

Lessons 3: Developing LMI Capabilities for Policymakers

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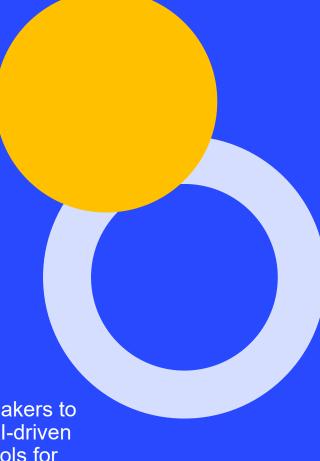
Understanding the strengths and limitations of different data sources, such as government statistics, private sector data, and real-time labor market data



Equip policymakers with the knowledge to assess how advancements in technology, such as big data analytics, machine learning, and artificial intelligence, are transforming the landscape of labor market information

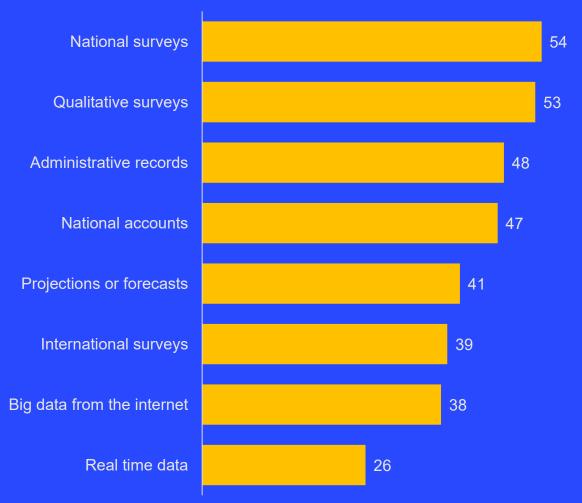


Training policymakers to effectively use Al-driven platforms and tools for analysing and interpreting labor market information



LMI sources

From traditional government reports to real-time data analytics, LMI sources have expanded, offering richer, more timely insights into labor market dynamics.



Source: LMI-EUniv Survey

Traditional vs. Emerging LMI Sources

Traditional and new LMI sources have distinct roles in labor market analysis.

Traditional sources offer a reliable, standardised, and comprehensive view of the labor market over time, but they may lack the immediacy and detail of new sources.

New sources, provide real-time, granular insights, but they may require more sophisticated tools for analysis and could be subject to biases.

New LMI Sources

Real-Time Insights

Specificity and Granularity

Innovative Analysis

Quality and Reliability Concerns

Complexity in Analysis

Potential Biases

Traditional LMI Sources

Reliability and Standardization

Longitudinal Data

Wide Coverage

Time Lag

Limited in Scope

Lack of Granularity

Emerging Technologies in LMI

Emerging technologies are revolutionizing how we gather, analyze, and interpret labor market data, offering unprecedented insights into workforce dynamics.

Artificial Intelligence



Powering Advanced
Analysis and
Decision-Making

Big Data



Transforming Vast
Data Sets into
Valuable Insights

Machine Learning



Evolving Intelligence through Data



Integrating Advanced Technologies in Labor Market Analysis

Advanced technologies are key drivers in transforming labor market analysis, offering new perspectives and deeper insights into workforce dynamics.

Benefits of Using New Technologies in LMI Analysis

Transition To

Before TECH

Manual Data Collection

Basic Data Analysis

Infrequent, Delayed Reporting

Generalised Market Insights

After TECH

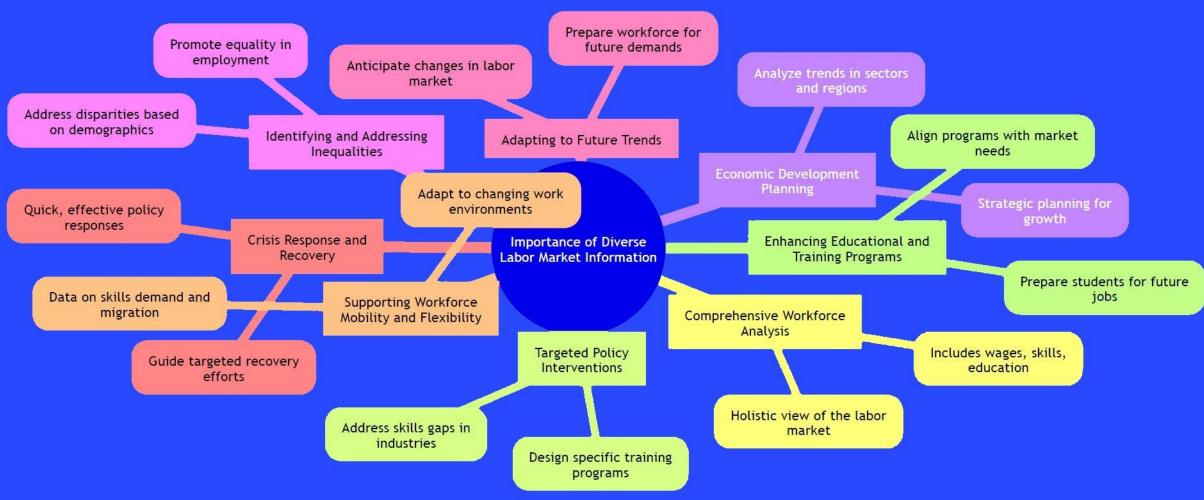
Automated, Diverse Data Aggregation (AI, Big Data)

Advanced Analytics (Machine Learning)

Real Time, Continuous Reporting

Precise, Predictive Market Insights

Importance of Diverse LMI for Policymaking



Examples of new technologies

IBM Watson Talent Management

Watson analyzes job market data and trends to help companies identify the skills they need. It also predicts future skills requirements and helps in workforce planning.

Google Cloud Talent Solution

It uses machine learning to understand jobseeker preferences and skills, matching them with relevant job opportunities.

LinkedIn's Economic Graph

By applying AI and machine learning algorithms to this data, LinkedIn can identify emerging job market trends, skills in demand, and workforce gaps.

Burning Glass Technologies

Their Al-driven platform analyses hundreds of millions of job postings and real-time labor market data to identify emerging trends and skills.

Practical tips for policymakers and analysts

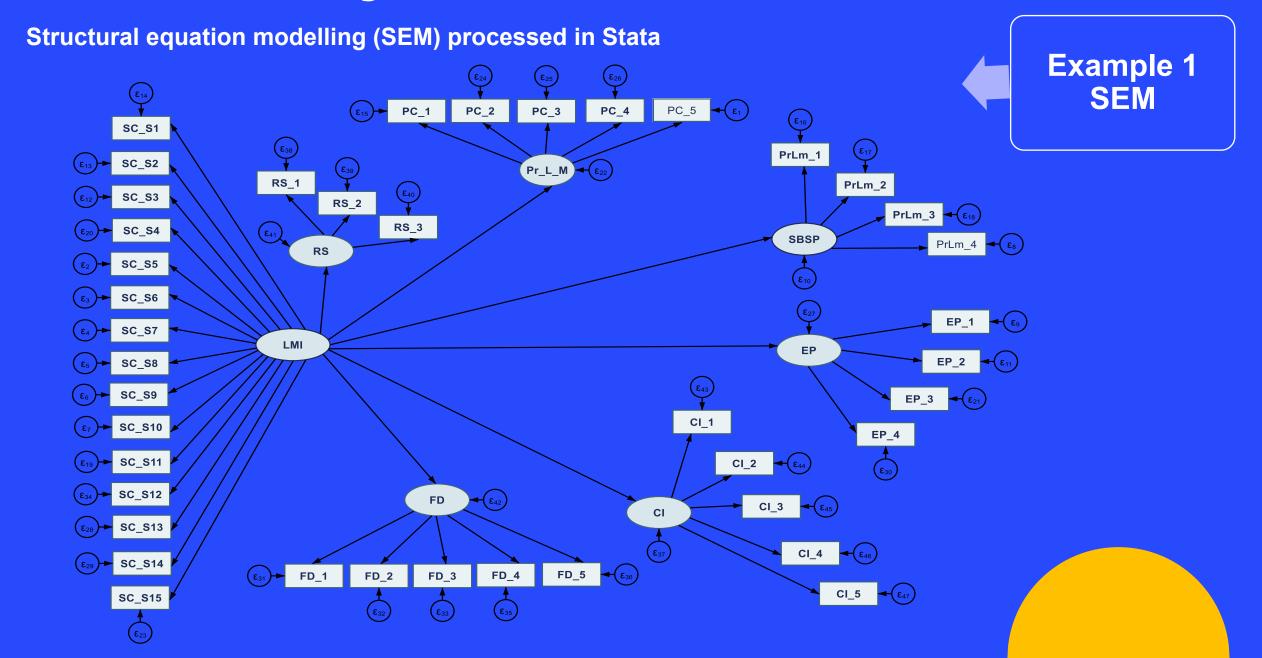
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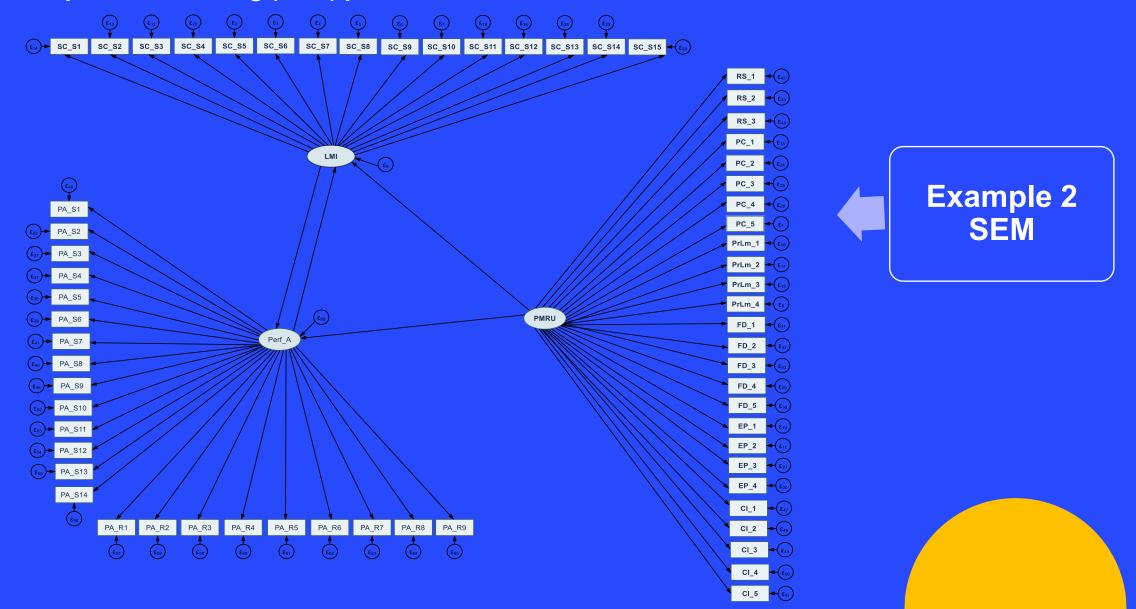
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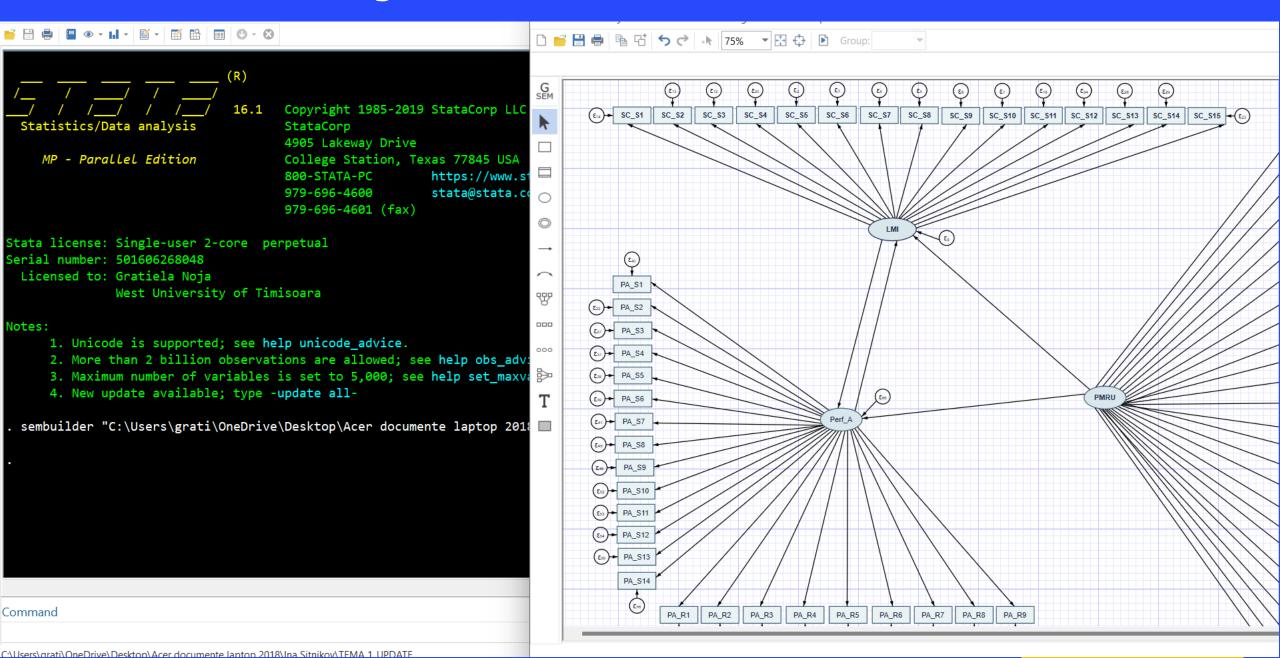
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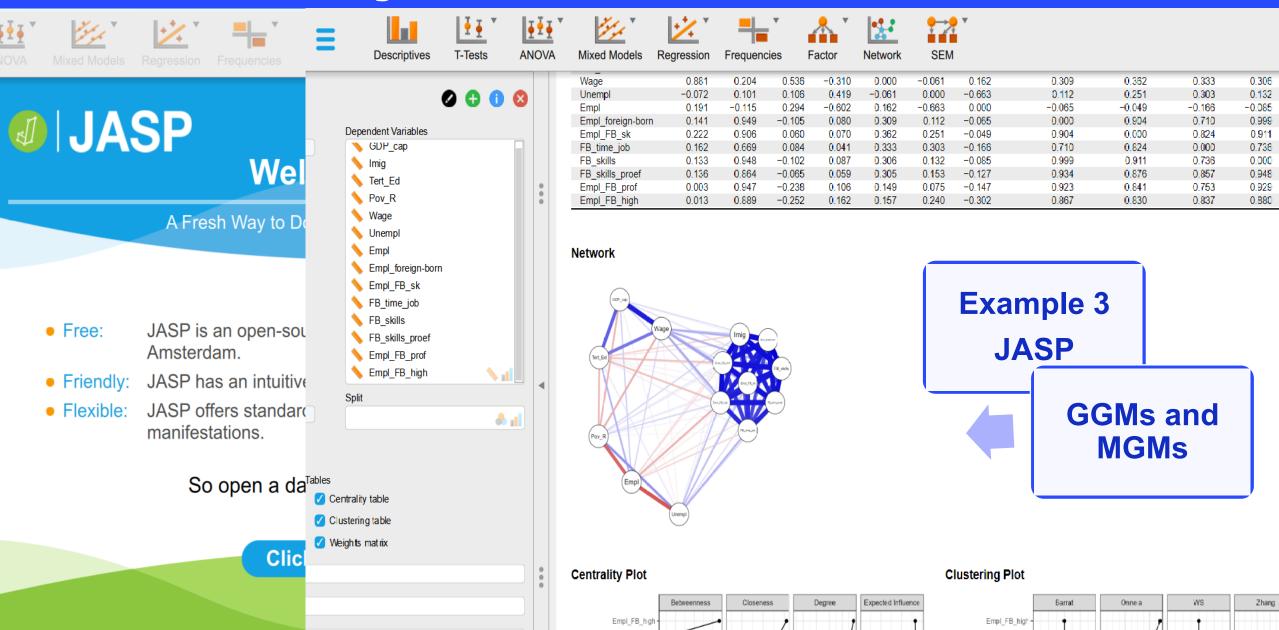
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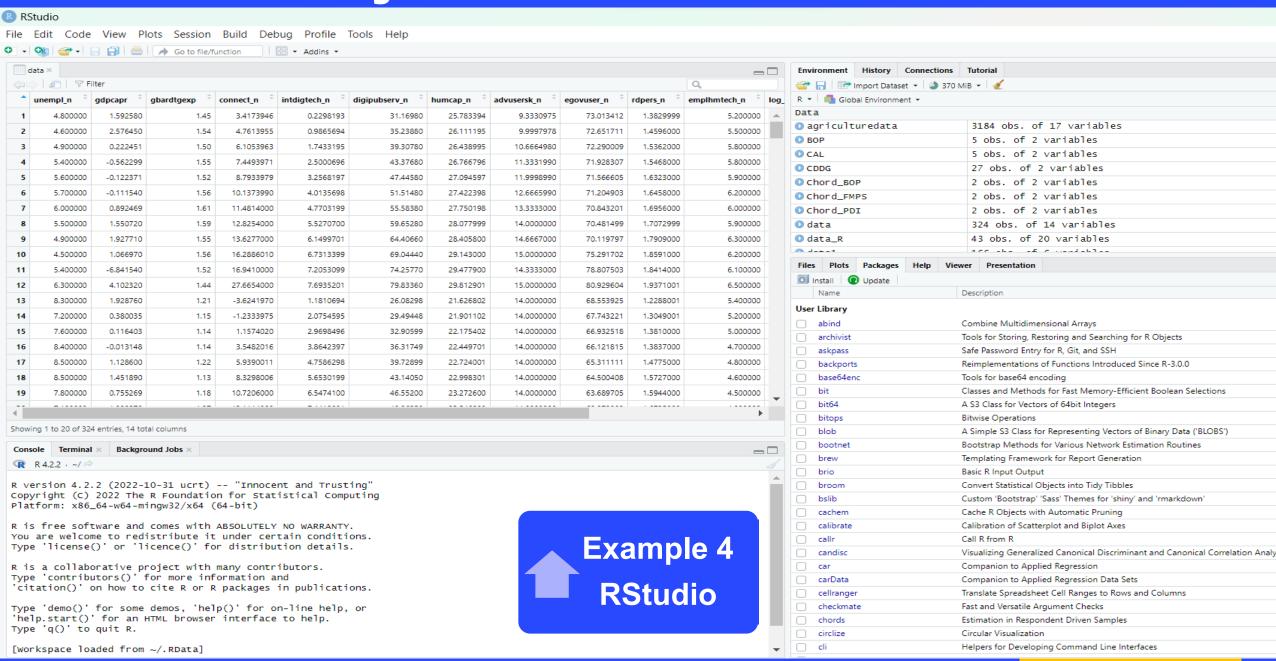


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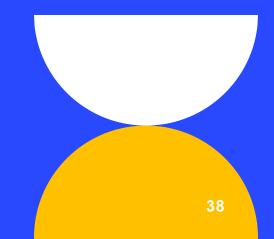
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What have we learnt? QUIZ

- What is the primary role of LMI in identifying skills needs and disparities?
 - A) To provide data for academic research.
 - B) To aid policymakers in identifying high-demand occupations and emerging skill requirements
 - C) To directly offer jobs to individuals.
- How does LMI contribute to career education and training initiatives?
 - A) By ensuring these programs are aligned with employer skill demands.
 - B) By providing financial support to students.
 - C) By creating new job roles in the market.
- What is the importance of including real-time data in LMI?
 - A) To explore historical labor trends.
 - B) To provide up-to-date insights about the labour market
 - C) To reduce the need for data analysis.



Thank you

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