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***Labor Needs Survey  
Volume I: Technical Report  
Volume II: Survey Instruments***

**OCS Study [MMS 2008-050](#) and [2008-051](#)**

The Minerals Management Service (MMS), Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, announces the availability of a new study report, *Labor Needs Survey, Volume I: Technical Report and Volume II: Survey Instruments*.

The goal of this study was to develop a statistically sound and standardized survey methodology for gathering expenditure and employment data on OCS-related activities. Barriers to gathering the data were identified and a questionnaire was developed and tested. Data gathering was limited by budget constraints. This report details the effort to create a methodology and to conduct a sample survey. The methodological approach is explained so that subsequent surveyors can replicate or improve the approach. Survey instruments were developed with input from both MMS and industry and are attached in an appendix. The report describes the three survey waves and discusses the problems encountered.

This report is available only in compact disc format from the Minerals Management Service, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, at a charge of \$15.00, by referencing OCS Study MMS 2008-050 and 2008-051. The report may be downloaded from the MMS website through the [Environmental Studies Program Information System \(ESPIS\)](#). You will be able to obtain this report also from the National Technical Information Service in the near future. Here are the addresses. You may also inspect copies at selected Federal Depository Libraries.

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