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# Maintenance & Repair Workers



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Careers in designing, planning, managing, building and maintaining the built environment.

Maintenance and repair workers keep machines, mechanical equipment or the structure of an establishment in repair. They perform this work using the skills of two or more maintenance or craft occupations.

If you enjoy working with your hands and mastering different skill sets, a career as a **maintenance and repair worker** may be for you.

Maintenance and repair workers work on construction projects, including residential, commercial and civil (or public works) buildings.

## **Are You Ready To...?**

- Purchase supplies
- Spend hours working in hot, dusty or cramped areas
- Work while standing on ladders or scaffolding
- Saw holes in walls for gas lines
- Make exact measurements
- Travel to job sites
- Be available 24/7 in some jobs

#### It Helps To Be...

Good with your hands, strong, careful, and detail oriented.

## A Day In The Life...

- Inspect, operate, or test machinery or equipment to diagnose machine malfunctions.
- Dismantle machines, equipment, or devices to access and remove defective parts, using hoists, cranes, hand tools, or power tools.
- Diagnose mechanical problems and determine how to correct them, checking blueprints, repair manuals, or parts catalogs, as necessary.
- Estimate costs to repair machinery, equipment, or building structures.

Salary and Opportunity in the Austin-area

Median Hourly Wage: \$17.33

That comes out to more than \$36,048 a year.

In 2016, we had 6,070 Maintenance & Repair Workers. By 2026, we'll need 7,285.

Could you be one of the 1,215?

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## After High School...

In addition to a high school diploma, many employers look for maintenance and repair workers with some **postsecondary non-degree education such as certifications**.



## Top 5 Industries for Maintenance & Repair Workers

- 1. Lessors of Real Estate
- 2. Local Government
- 3. Activities Related to Real Estate
- 4. Elementary and Secondary Schools
- 5. Traveler Accommodation

#### **Related College Majors**

- Building and Property Maintenance
- Construction Management
- Construction Technology
- Electrical Engineering
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#### **Related Industry Certifications**

- Certified Apprentice Lighting Technician
- General Electrician Certification
- Photovoltaic (Solar Panel) Installer Certification
- Residential Electrician

#### **Related Careers**

- Construction and Building Inspectors
- Electrical Engineers
- Elevator Installers and Repairers
- Heating, Ventilating, Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration Technicians
- Telecommunications and Radio Technicians
- Boilermakers
- Construction Managers
- Drafters
- Welders

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