

WELDER

ANNUAL WAGES

ENTRY: \$35,900
MEDIAN: \$51,300
HIGH: \$60,700

HOURLY WAGES

ENTRY: \$17.25
MEDIAN: \$24.66
HIGH: \$29.21

EDUCATION AT ENTRY LEVEL

HIGH SCHOOL
DIPLOMA

★ THIS OCCUPATION HAS TRAINING THROUGH LOCAL REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS

↗ THE AUSTIN MSA PROJECTS TO NEED OVER **4,196 WELDERS** BY 2034. WILL YOU BE ONE?

JOB DUTIES

- Use hand-welding, flame-cutting, hand-soldering, or brazing equipment to weld or join metal components or to fill holes, indentations, or seams of fabricated metal products.
- Operate safety equipment and use safe work habits.
- Examine workpieces for defects and measure workpieces with straightedges or templates to ensure conformance with specifications.

YOU WILL THRIVE IN THIS POSITION IF...

- You like activities that include practical, hands-on problems and solutions.
- You like to keep track of how well people and/or groups are doing in order to make improvements.
- You can quickly change the controls of a machine, car, truck, or boat.
- You notice a problem and figure out the best way to solve it.



**SCAN TO WATCH A VIDEO
ABOUT THIS CAREER PATHWAY**

i This is a targeted occupation for Capital Area/Travis County. Scholarships may be available for education and training opportunities. Contact us to learn more!



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HOW TO GET STARTED IN THIS CAREER PATHWAY



Enroll in a welding career and technical education (CTE) program in high school



Enroll into a DOL Registered Apprenticeship Program. **Scan the code for local programs!**



Apply for a career training scholarship for this occupation with Workforce Solutions



Complete a personality test or explore more high-demand careers. **Scan the code to get started!**

CAREER PATHWAY - ENTRY TO MANAGEMENT

Experience Level	Occupation	Median Wages	Education Requirements
Senior Level	Machinist	\$24.64 \$51,300	High School Diploma, Long-term training
Intermediate Level	Welder, Cutter, Solderer, & Brazier	\$24.66 \$51,300	High School Diploma, Welding Certification, Apprentice License
Entry Level	Helper, Production Worker	\$15.97 \$33,200	None

WHAT IS SOMETHING NEW YOU LEARNED ABOUT THIS CAREER?
