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HIGH-DEMAND, HIGH-WAGE CAREERS FOR PROFESSIONAL TRADES.



Why choose a career in
PROFESSIONAL TRADES in MICHIGAN?

500,000+
jobs in
Michigan
by 2024

45%
higher wages
compared to all
occupations

50% faster
job growth
than statewide
average by
2024

Careers

Careers	Percent Growth through 2024	Total Annual Openings	Median Wage (Hourly)	Median Wage (Annual)	Typical Education Needed for Entry
Automotive Body and Related Repairers	10.0%	185	\$21.55	\$44,824	High school diploma or equivalent and long-term OJT
Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	13.9%	219	\$20.38	\$42,390	High school diploma or equivalent and long-term OJT
Cardiovascular Technologists and Technicians	19.0%	80	\$25.56	\$53,165	Associate degree
Carpenters	7.2%	393	\$20.41	\$42,453	High school diploma or equivalent and apprenticeship
Computer Network Support Specialists	11.4%	134	\$26.50	\$55,120	Associate degree
Computer Numerically Controlled Machine Tool Programmers, Metal and Plastic	28.7%	93	\$23.69	\$49,275	High school diploma or equivalent and long-term OJT
Computer User Support Specialists	14.3%	601	\$22.04	\$45,843	Some college, no degree
Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	19.7%	96	\$28.70	\$59,696	Associate degree
Electrical Power-Line Installers and Repairers	10.0%	195	\$35.17	\$73,154	High school diploma or equivalent and long-term OJT
Electricians	14.1%	562	\$28.38	\$59,030	High school diploma or equivalent and apprenticeship
Engine and Other Machine Assemblers	11.2%	86	\$25.36	\$52,749	High school diploma or equivalent and moderate-term OJT
Engineering Technicians, Except Drafters, All Other	11.3%	95	\$30.10	\$62,608	Associate degree
Heating, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	15.6%	231	\$21.88	\$45,510	Postsecondary non-degree award and long-term OJT
Industrial Engineering Technicians	8.9%	164	\$24.07	\$50,066	Associate degree
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	27.1%	752	\$24.40	\$50,752	High school diploma or equivalent and long-term OJT
Machinists	19.0%	1279	\$19.04	\$39,603	High school diploma or equivalent and long-term OJT
Massage Therapists	20.6%	87	\$22.47	\$46,738	Postsecondary non-degree award
Mechanical Engineering Technicians	13.1%	178	\$27.90	\$58,032	Associate degree
Millwrights	20.1%	118	\$31.83	\$66,206	High school diploma or equivalent and apprenticeship
Physical Therapist Assistants	28.6%	213	\$22.18	\$46,134	Associate degree
Plumbers, Pipefitters and Steamfitters	11.4%	279	\$27.02	\$56,202	High school diploma or equivalent and apprenticeship
Respiratory Therapists	10.9%	142	\$26.15	\$54,392	Associate degree
Sheet Metal Workers	11.7%	128	\$24.30	\$50,544	High school diploma or equivalent and apprenticeship
Web Developers	24.7%	108	\$28.61	\$59,509	Associate degree
Welders, Cutters, Solderers and Brazers	9.3%	489	\$17.15	\$35,672	High school diploma or equivalent and moderate-term OJT

Note: This list includes occupations that show a favorable mix of projected long-term job growth, projected annual job openings and median wages. It does not necessarily reflect current hiring demand.
Source: DTMB, Bureau of Labor Market Information and Strategic Initiatives. OJT = On-the-Job Training



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