



Explore a Career as a **MAINTENANCE WORKER, MACHINERY**

What does a Maintenance Worker, Machinery do?

Machinery maintenance workers do basic maintenance and repairs on machines. They clean and lubricate machinery, perform basic diagnostic tests, check the performance of the machine and test damaged machine parts to determine whether major repairs are necessary. All maintenance workers use a variety of tools to do repairs and preventive maintenance. For example, they may use a screwdriver or socket wrenches to adjust a motor's alignment or they might use a hoist to lift a heavy printing press off the ground. Machinery maintenance workers follow machine specifications and adhere to maintenance schedules. They perform minor repairs, generally leaving major repairs to machinery mechanics.

Maintenance Workers, Machinery are in demand in Kankakee County!

Kankakee County employment of machinery maintenance workers is expected to increase through 2020.

Training & Educational Opportunities

You will have plenty of employment opportunities as a machinery maintenance worker, but first you will have to earn a certificate or associate degree. Machinery maintenance workers are instructed in subjects such as shop mathematics, blueprint reading, proper hand tools use, welding, electronics and computer programming. After completing these and other courses, you will have the skills required to get a job as a machinery maintenance worker.

As a Maintenance Worker, Machinery you will:

- Adjust and calibrate equipment and machinery to optimal specifications
- Disassemble machinery and equipment when there is a problem
- Read technical manuals to understand equipment and controls
- Repair or replace broken or malfunctioning components
- Perform tests and run initial batches to make sure that the machine is running smoothly

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Training Provider

The following certified training provider offers training programs for machinery maintenance workers:

- Kankakee Community College

Career scholarships may be available if you qualify.



Types of Employers

There are many types of employers looking to hire machinery maintenance workers in Kankakee County, including:

- Apparel knitting mills
- Electric lighting equipment manufacturers
- Iron and steel mills
- Motor vehicle parts manufacturers



Wages & Openings

Maintenance Worker, Machinery Employment Data for Kankakee County

Average Starting Hourly Wage	\$14.55
Average Hourly Wage With Experience	\$34.30
Average Annual Job Openings Kankakee County	~10
Average Annual Job Openings Chicago Metro	125

Opportunities

After you receive your certificate or degree as a machinery maintenance worker, you will have many opportunities for advancement, including:

- Industrial Machinery Mechanic
- Journeyman Mechanic
- Maintenance Manager
- Maintenance Supervisor



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