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Introduction and Sector Overview

This report highlights the importance of the Automotive Technology career pathway for Minnesota's Transportation Industry. Professionals in Automotive Technology work in diverse roles from automotive service technicians to farm equipment mechanics, serving industries as diverse as Navigational Manufacturing and Automobile Dealerships. In all, about 21,227 people work in Automotive Technology roles in Minnesota as of the third quarter of 2022—a -1.8% decrease (387 workers) from a year prior.

Overall employment in Minnesota has grown by nearly 118,000 workers (4.0%) between the second quarter of 2021 and the third quarter of 2022, and the five-year forecast recovered with a 45,970 expansion of employment over five years as of the most current baseline forecasts, or about 0.3% average annual growth. During this time frame, Automotive Technology employment is anticipated to drop moderately in Minnesota by about -325 total jobs (-0.3% annually) due to a tight talent pool. Total baseline demand for Automotive Technology talent is anticipated to be around 8,677 professionals needed to fill positions due to job exits and transfers, such as retirements and job changes.

Transportation Pathways in Minnesota – Baseline Forecast, 2022Q3¹

| | Current | | | | | | 5-Year History | | 5-Year Baseline Forecast | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Occupation | Empl | Avg Ann Wages ² | LQ | Unempl | Unempl Rate | Online Job Ads ³ | Empl Change | Ann % | Total Demand | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Ann % Growth |
| Automotive Technology Pathway | 21,227 | \$66,900 | 1.02 | 387 | 1.8% | 1,183 | -819 | -0.8% | 8,677 | 3,181 | 5,821 | -279 | -0.4% |
| Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway | 9,162 | \$115,200 | 0.86 | 139 | 1.5% | 313 | -531 | -1.1% | 4,615 | 1,584 | 2,945 | 86 | 0.2% |
| Collision Repair Pathway | 6,757 | \$54,100 | 1.05 | 177 | 2.6% | 359 | -44 | -0.1% | 3,236 | 1,128 | 2,142 | -34 | -0.1% |
| Diesel Equipment and Truck Pathway | 12,518 | \$61,900 | 1.06 | 230 | 1.8% | 593 | -458 | -0.7% | 6,135 | 2,048 | 3,894 | 192 | 0.3% |
| Marine and Power Sports Pathway | 4,799 | \$46,200 | 0.95 | 205 | 4.2% | 75 | 95 | 0.4% | 3,046 | 1,062 | 1,946 | 38 | 0.2% |
| Truck Driving Pathway* | 98,845 | \$51,200 | 0.93 | 2,607 | 2.6% | 6,446 | 5,748 | 1.2% | 63,838 | 27,225 | 34,298 | 2,315 | 0.5% |
| Transportation Occupations | 145,613 | \$58,000 | 0.96 | 3,444 | 2.4% | 8,585 | 1,899 | 0.3% | 84,921 | 33,955 | 48,916 | 2,050 | 0.3% |
| Total - All Occupations | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 170,185 | -11,615 | -0.1% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |

*This pathway includes School Bus Driver careers as of 2022, which were not included in the 2020 or 2021 estimates of career pathway employment or demand.

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

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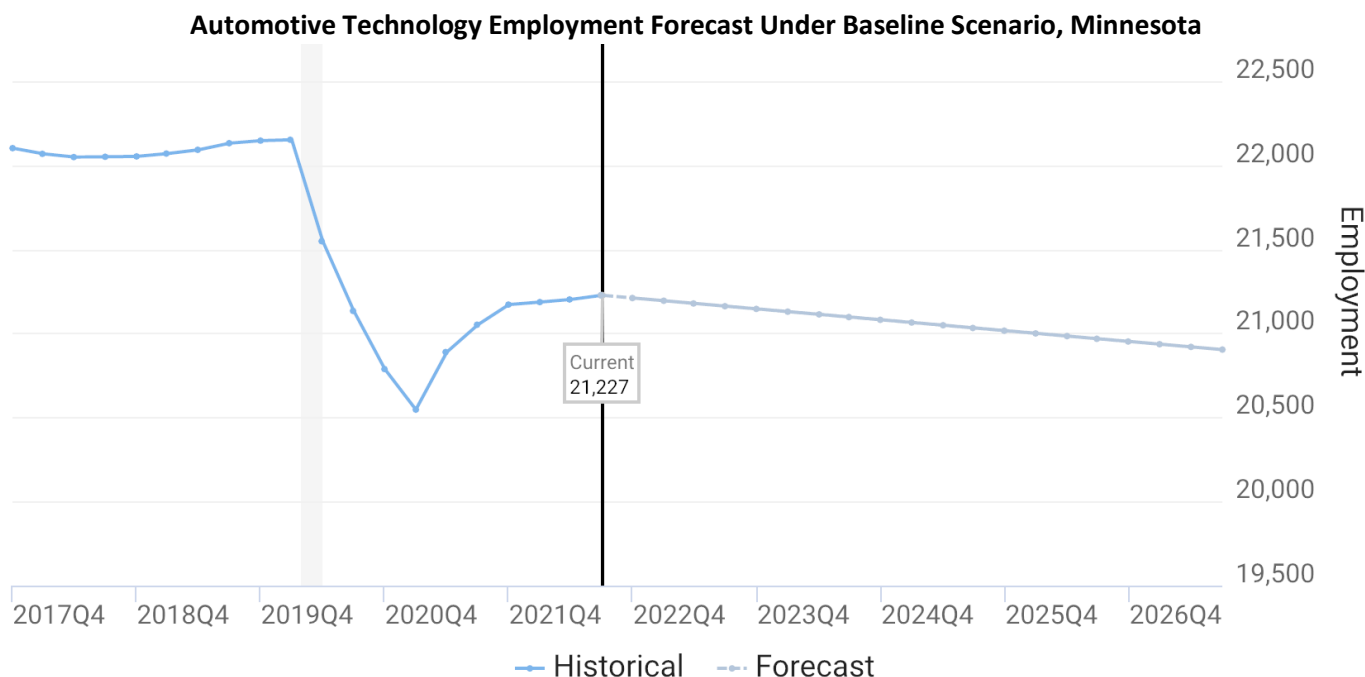
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Minnesota saw a strong job market throughout 2022 and elevated recruitment among employers across most sectors. As the available talent pool was exhausted, unemployment rates dropped dramatically across critical roles and in many scenarios demand far outpaced talent supply. Forecasting future needs under current conditions with an eye to anticipated talent pipelines into Automotive Technology suggest that there may be shortages of talent across a large share of occupations in this career pathway unless more talent decides to enter the field. The pathway forecast soured since estimates in late 2020, but now remains consistent with 2021 estimates with a baseline forecast of about -0.3% average annual decline in overall employment by the second quarter of 2027. Following an initially strong recovery in early 2021, 2022 saw relatively flat employment numbers quarter-to-quarter.



Source: JobsEQ®, Data as of 2022Q3, The shaded areas of the graph represent national recessions.

Industry/Occupation Mix

Automotive Technology talent is primarily concentrated in the Automotive Repair and Maintenance industry (25.8%), increasing in its concentration from estimates in 2021 by another 1.8 percentage points. The next highest industry of employment concentration is Automobile Dealers (21.6%), but are important across a wide range of transportation, manufacturing, and agriculture sub-industries. These top industries also account for the most total demand for this talent over the next ten years.

Top Industry Distribution for Automotive Technology Pathway Occupations in Minnesota

| NAICS Code | Industry Title | CURRENT | | | 10-YEAR DEMAND | | | |
|---|--|---------------|-------|---------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| | | % of Occ Empl | Empl | Avg Ann Wages | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Total Demand |
| 8111 | Automotive Repair and Maintenance | 25.8% | 5,481 | \$48,300 | 1,864 | 3,357 | -303 | 4,919 |
| 4411 | Automobile Dealers | 21.6% | 4,588 | \$55,600 | 1,584 | 2,851 | -123 | 4,311 |
| 5413 | Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services | 5.5% | 1,159 | \$86,500 | 258 | 491 | -32 | 717 |
| 4413 | Automotive Parts, Accessories, and Tire Retailers | 4.3% | 918 | \$45,000 | 315 | 569 | -22 | 862 |
| 3345 | Navigational, Measuring, Electromedical, and Control Instruments Manufacturing | 4.0% | 851 | \$90,900 | 186 | 355 | -25 | 516 |
| 3339 | Other General Purpose Machinery Manufacturing | 2.6% | 550 | \$85,700 | 113 | 217 | -50 | 280 |
| 5511 | Management of Companies and Enterprises | 1.9% | 396 | \$89,100 | 93 | 176 | 3 | 272 |
| 4231 | Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Parts and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers | 1.8% | 374 | \$55,600 | 132 | 240 | 45 | 417 |
| 3331 | Agriculture, Construction, and Mining Machinery Manufacturing | 1.6% | 343 | \$85,700 | 70 | 134 | -38 | 166 |
| 4853 | Taxi and Limousine Service | 1.4% | 295 | \$48,700 | 90 | 161 | -75 | 176 |
| 5613 | Employment Services | 1.4% | 288 | \$70,000 | 75 | 140 | 11 | 227 |
| 3391 | Medical Equipment and Supplies Manufacturing | 1.3% | 280 | \$80,000 | 66 | 126 | 16 | 208 |
| 4571 | Gasoline Stations | 1.3% | 274 | \$47,400 | 81 | 145 | -83 | 143 |
| 4238 | Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers | 1.1% | 243 | \$71,400 | 61 | 114 | 5 | 180 |
| 9211 | Executive, Legislative, and Other General Government Support | 1.1% | 241 | \$55,600 | 74 | 134 | -41 | 167 |
| 3327 | Machine Shops; Turned Product; and Screw, Nut, and Bolt Manufacturing | 1.0% | 216 | \$71,500 | 47 | 91 | 19 | 158 |
| 3332 | Industrial Machinery Manufacturing | 0.9% | 194 | \$85,700 | 40 | 77 | -17 | 100 |
| 5417 | Scientific Research and Development Services | 0.9% | 189 | \$96,000 | 47 | 88 | 20 | 155 |
| 3334 | Ventilation, Heating, Air-Conditioning, and Commercial Refrigeration Equipment Manufacturing | 0.8% | 175 | \$85,700 | 36 | 68 | -19 | 85 |
| 3335 | Metalworking Machinery Manufacturing | 0.8% | 174 | \$72,200 | 38 | 73 | 12 | 123 |
| n/a | All Others | 18.8% | 3,998 | n/a | 1,088 | 2,025 | 55 | 3,169 |
| Source: JobsEQ® Data as of 2022Q3 except wages which are as of 2022. Note that occupation-by-industry wages represent adjusted national data and may not be consistent with regional, all-industry occupation wages shown elsewhere in JobsEQ. Note: Figures may not sum due to rounding. | | | | | | | | |

Talent Demand Detail

Employment and Wage Overview

Of all occupations found in the Automotive Technology pathway, Motor Vehicle Electronic Equipment Installers, Mechanical Engineers, and Mechanical Engineering Technicians are uniquely concentrated in Minnesota to a higher degree than seen in the nation overall. On average, Automotive Technology careers pay about \$66,900 per year—about \$3,200 higher than the average wage statewide across all positions. Demand was high over the past year, seeing employment growth of 0.8% since the third quarter of 2021. However, employment may contract statewide by about -0.3% through the third quarter of 2023.

Automotive Technology Pathway in Minnesota – Baseline Forecast, 2022Q3¹

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| 49-3023 | Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics | 13,649 | \$54,800 | 0.98 | 281 | 2.0% | 707 | -134 | -1.0% | -56 | -0.4% | 6,274 | 2,340 | 4,213 | -279 | -0.4% |
| 17-2141 | Mechanical Engineers | 6,313 | \$93,200 | 1.11 | 88 | 1.4% | 409 | 298 | 5.0% | -3 | 0.0% | 1,844 | 629 | 1,227 | -13 | 0.0% |
| 17-3027 | Mechanical Engineering Technologists and Technicians | 1,003 | \$68,400 | 1.20 | 13 | 1.4% | 19 | 27 | 2.7% | -1 | -0.1% | 477 | 174 | 309 | -6 | -0.1% |
| 49-2096 | Electronic Equipment Installers and Repairers, Motor Vehicles | 216 | \$53,800 | 1.23 | 4 | 1.8% | 12 | -14 | -6.1% | -6 | -2.8% | 60 | 30 | 58 | -28 | -2.8% |
| 49-2093 | Electrical and Electronics Installers and Repairers, Transportation Equipment | 45 | \$82,500 | 0.23 | 1 | 1.7% | 36 | -2 | -3.8% | 0 | 0.3% | 22 | 7 | 14 | 1 | 0.3% |
| Automotive Technology Pathway | | 21,227 | \$66,900 | 1.02 | 387 | 1.8% | 1,183 | 175 | 0.8% | -66 | -0.3% | 8,677 | 3,181 | 5,821 | -325 | -0.3% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 170,185 | 91,312 | 3.1% | 9,139 | 0.3% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |

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Automotive Technology saw some significant wage gains across the pathway, with average wages rising by \$5,600 from prior estimates.¹ Entry-level wages in the pathways exceed the average entry-level wages observed across all occupations statewide, paying an average of \$44,500 annually for entry-level talent.

¹ Methodology for estimating wages changed between the 2021 and 2022 reports and are new as of the 2022Q3 dataset used here. They are estimated for the most current quarter of data available (2022Q3) using a combination of data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and Chmura RTI wages, and no longer lag by a calendar year.

Occupation Wages, Average Annual in Minnesota, 2022Q3

| SOC | Occupation | Mean | Entry Level | Experienced | Percentiles | | | | |
|---------|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | | | | | 10% | 25% | 50% (Median) | 75% | 90% |
| 17-2141 | Mechanical Engineers | \$93,200 | \$66,000 | \$106,800 | \$61,200 | \$75,200 | \$87,200 | \$104,200 | \$127,700 |
| 17-3027 | Mechanical Engineering Technologists and Technicians | \$68,400 | \$48,100 | \$78,600 | \$46,900 | \$52,200 | \$64,200 | \$79,900 | \$94,800 |
| 49-2093 | Electrical and Electronics Installers and Repairers, Transportation Equipment | \$82,500 | \$59,500 | \$94,000 | \$52,600 | \$72,000 | \$84,600 | \$95,900 | \$105,000 |
| 49-2096 | Electronic Equipment Installers and Repairers, Motor Vehicles | \$53,800 | \$37,500 | \$62,000 | \$36,700 | \$40,200 | \$48,400 | \$61,900 | \$77,300 |
| 49-3023 | Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics | \$54,800 | \$34,300 | \$65,000 | \$31,400 | \$39,700 | \$50,500 | \$62,300 | \$75,800 |
| | Automotive Technology Pathway | \$66,900 | \$44,500 | \$78,100 | \$41,100 | \$50,900 | \$62,100 | \$75,700 | \$92,200 |
| | Total - All Occupations | \$63,700 | \$31,400 | \$79,800 | \$29,100 | \$35,700 | \$49,800 | \$75,000 | \$108,400 |

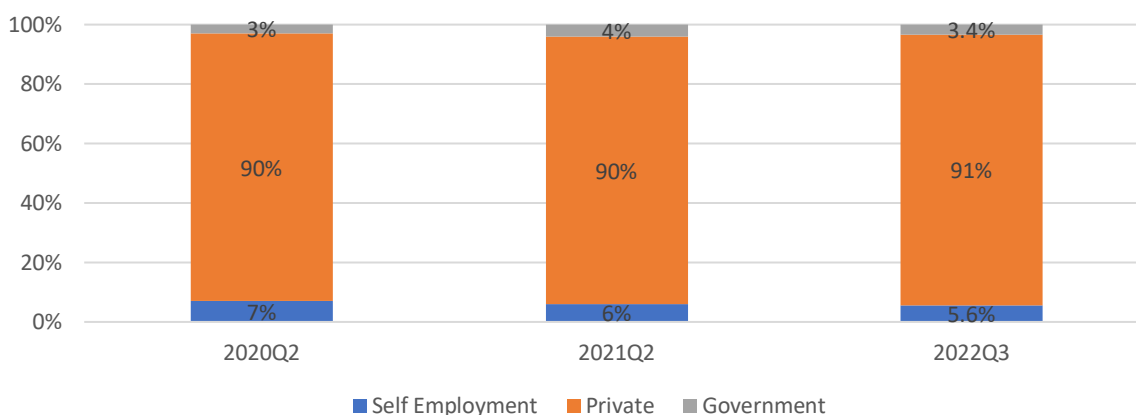
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Employment Types

About 91% of people employed in Automotive Technology in Minnesota work for private employers, while nearly 6% are self-employed (a slight decrease from 2021). The remaining 3.4% work for state, federal, or local government entities. The share of talent that is self-employed has been declining moderately over the past three years.

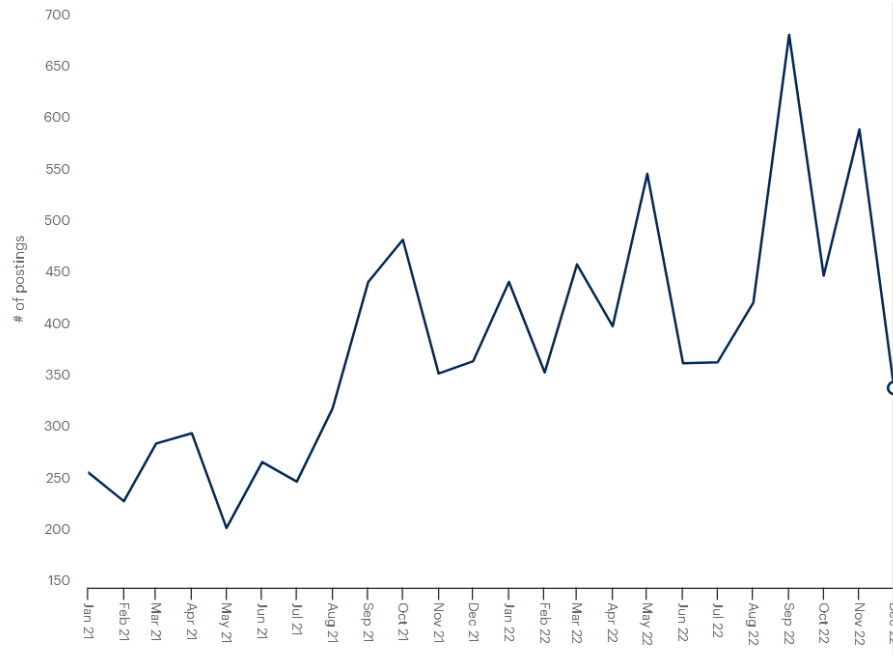
Employment Types, Minnesota 2020-2022



Job Posting Trends

Data in this section focuses on jobs newly advertised between January 1 and December 31, 2022 in Automotive Technology roles across Minnesota. Volume of total job postings, employer types (direct versus staffing), and top employers by unique job posting volumes comes from Gartner TalentNeuron; industry detail, skill and certification analysis, wage trends, and posting to hire analysis are from the Lightcast 2022Q4 dataset. Overall, there were 5,469 new jobs advertised in Automotive Technology during this time frame, an increase of 44% from the prior 12-month period (2021). Volume of posted positions advertised by staffing and temp agencies in the Automotive Technology pathway dropped in 2022 to about 19% of all postings following what was a significant increase in 2021, implying a cooling of the market. Posted wages increased to an average \$22.49 per hour as of 2022, and there was only one hire per every three unique job postings advertised based on Lightcast estimates.

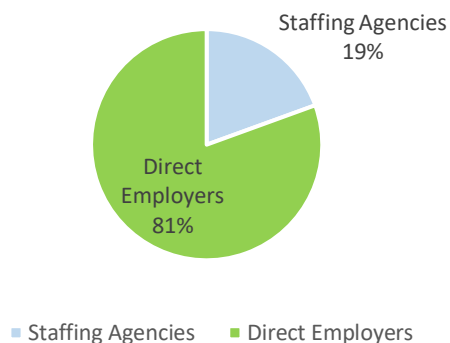
Volume of Career Pathway Online Job Postings in 2021 and 2022



Top Employers by Volume of New Job Postings, With Change from Prior Year

| Employer | | Percent Change between 2021 and 2022 |
|----------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Honeywell | 68% |
| 2. | Sun Auto Tire & Service | 0% |
| 3. | CommScope | 108% |
| 4. | Polaris | 63% |
| 5. | Lube-Tech | 0% |
| 6. | Actalent | 1900% |
| 7. | Xcel Energy | 35% |
| 8. | McQuay International | 67% |
| 9. | Twin City Fan Companies, LTD. | 0% |
| 10. | GE POWER | 295% |

New Job Postings Advertised in Minnesota by Employer Type

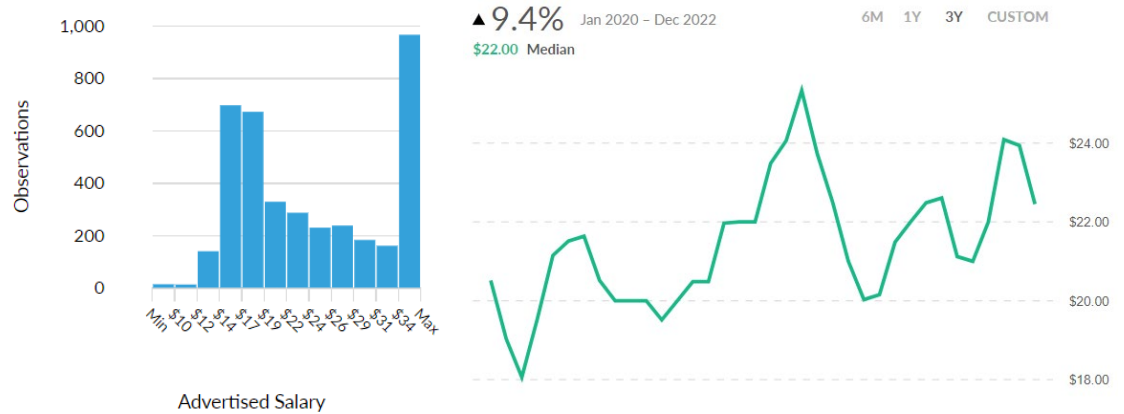


New Job Postings by Industry or Employer Type

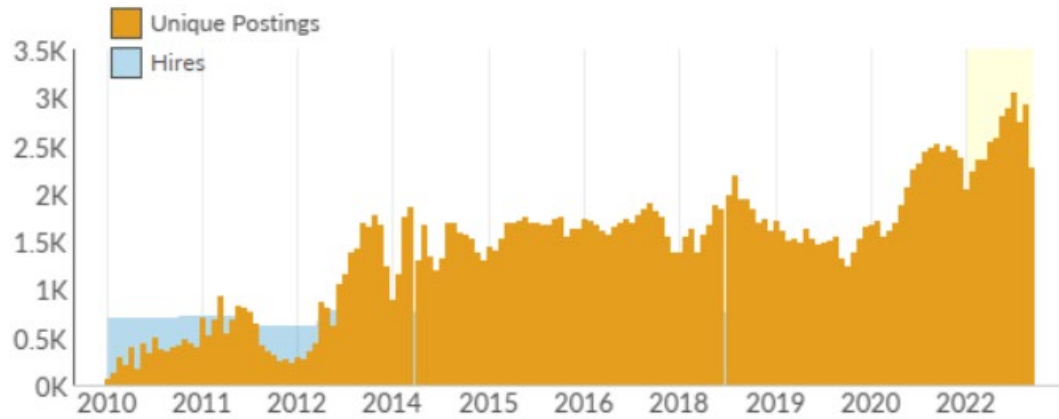
| Industry | Total/Unique (Jan 2022 - Dec 2022) | Posting Intensity | Median Posting Duration |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| All Other Automotive Repair and Maintenance | 3,848 / 683 | 6 : 1 | 23 days |
| Employment Placement Agencies | 1,149 / 535 | 2 : 1 | 28 days |
| New Car Dealers | 860 / 454 | 2 : 1 | 32 days |
| Automobile Manufacturing | 780 / 351 | 2 : 1 | 31 days |
| Department Stores | 1,215 / 342 | 4 : 1 | 34 days |
| General Automotive Repair | 811 / 243 | 3 : 1 | 28 days |
| Engineering Services | 371 / 219 | 2 : 1 | 28 days |
| Tire Dealers | 362 / 188 | 2 : 1 | 41 days |
| Temporary Help Services | 439 / 180 | 2 : 1 | 23 days |
| All Other General Merchandise Stores | 652 / 179 | 4 : 1 | 39 days |

Pathway Advertised Salary Range

\$22.49/hr
Median Advertised Salary

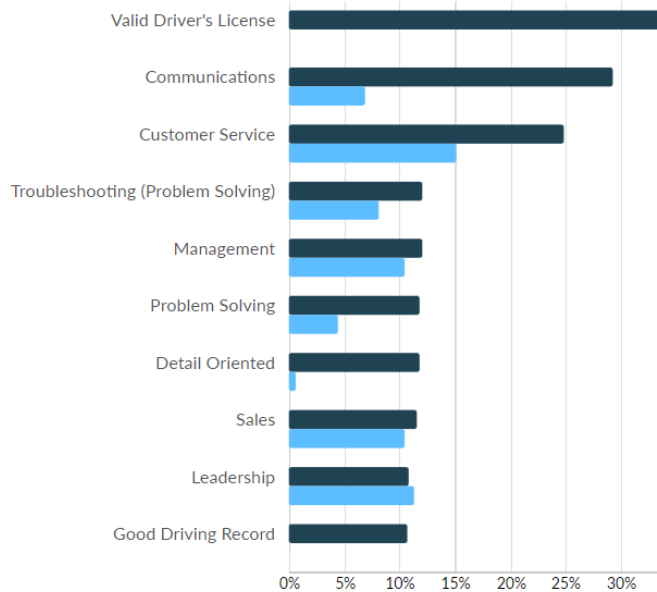


Monthly Ratio of Unique Job Postings to Estimated Hires



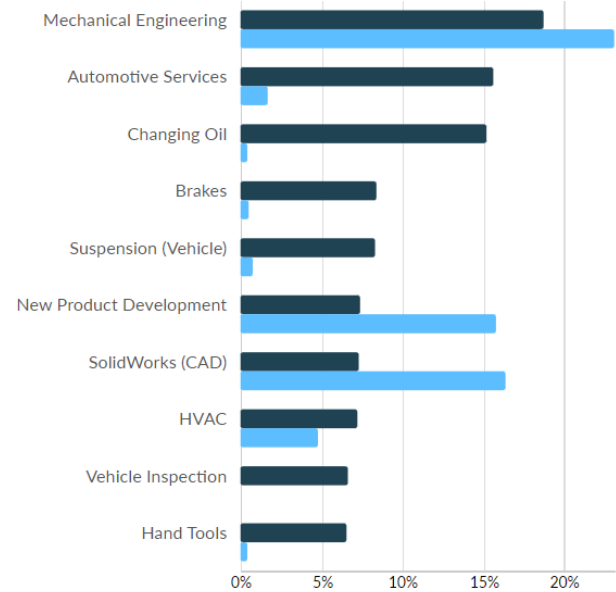
Top Common Skills

● Frequency in Job Postings ● Frequency in Profiles



Top Specialized Skills

● Frequency in Job Postings ● Frequency in Profiles



Top Certifications and Qualifications

| Qualification | Postings with Qualification |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Certification | 767 |
| Commercial Driver's License (CDL) | 176 |
| Professional Engineer | 152 |
| Licensed Professional Engineer | 97 |
| CDL Class A License | 74 |
| Engineer in Training | 74 |
| Security Clearance | 61 |
| Project Management Professional Certification | 31 |
| CDL Class B License | 29 |
| LEED Accredited Professional (AP) | 29 |

Talent Supply Detail

Talent Unemployment, Underemployment, and Educational Attainment

At an overall pathway unemployment rate of 1.8%, there are about 387 unemployed Automotive Technology professionals statewide. An additional 1,336 Automotive Technology professionals are underemployed—meaning they are working in roles for which they are overqualified by education or experience.

Automotive Technology Pathway in Minnesota

| | | Empl (Place of Residence) | | | | | | | | Overall Occupation ¹ | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| SOC | Occupation | < High School | High School | Some College | 2-Year | 4-Year | Master's | PhD | Total Empl | Underemployed | Unemployed | Unempl Rate |
| 17-2141 | Mechanical Engineers | 0.2% | 1.9% | 3.2% | 8.9% | 60.2% | 21.6% | 3.9% | 6,160 | N/A | 88 | 1.4% |
| 17-3027 | Mechanical Engineering Technologists and Technicians | 1.8% | 17.4% | 20.8% | 29.5% | 25.5% | 3.9% | 1.1% | 969 | 269 | 13 | 1.4% |
| 49-2093 | Electrical and Electronics Installers and Repairers, Transportation Equipment | 3.9% | 24.1% | 23.3% | 27.7% | 19.7% | 0.9% | 0.3% | 46 | 8 | 1 | 1.7% |
| 49-2096 | Electronic Equipment Installers and Repairers, Motor Vehicles | 4.0% | 24.1% | 23.1% | 27.4% | 20.1% | 1.0% | 0.3% | 213 | 43 | 4 | 1.8% |
| 49-3023 | Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics | 9.2% | 39.3% | 19.9% | 23.0% | 7.5% | 0.7% | 0.4% | 13,435 | 1,015 | 281 | 2.0% |
| Automotive Technology Pathway | | 6.2% | 27.0% | 15.1% | 19.2% | 24.1% | 7.0% | 1.5% | 20,823 | 1,336 | 387 | 1.8% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 4.9% | 21.1% | 15.4% | 14.1% | 30.4% | 10.3% | 3.8% | 2,944,602 | 511,822 | 68,550 | 2.3% |

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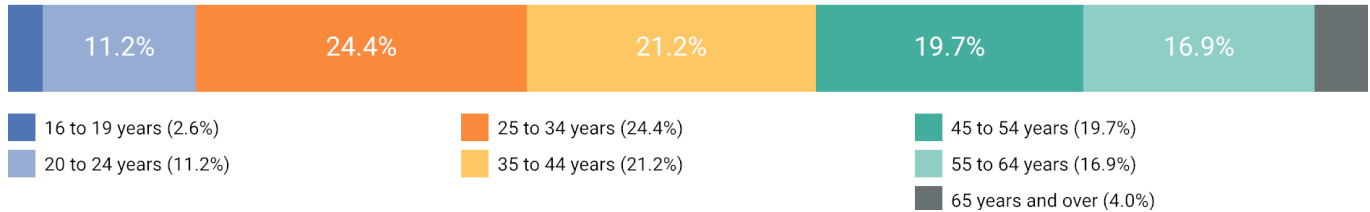
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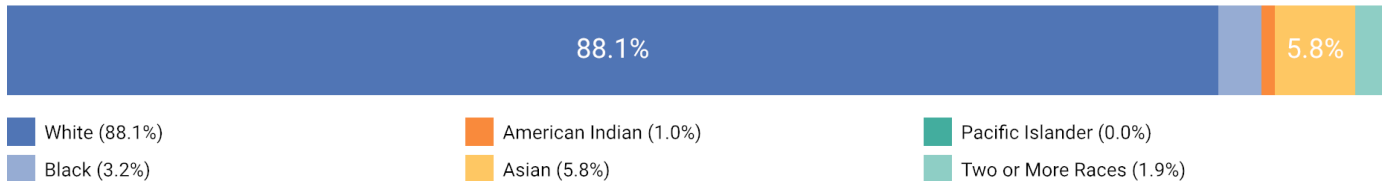
Workforce Demographics

About 13.8% of the Automotive Technology workforce is under the age of 25, and 4% are over 64 years old. The largest demographic group by race are White, representing 88.1% of the total pathway's workforce, with the next largest cohort being Asian talent representing 5.8% of the workforce. Nearly 6% of the pathway's workforce are Hispanic or Latinx, and 5.2% are female.

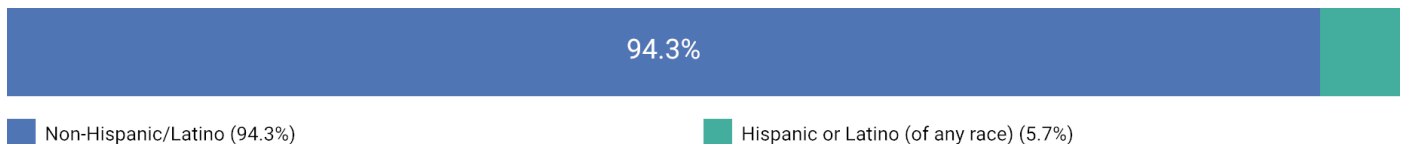
Automotive Technology Workforce Age Demographics, 2022Q3



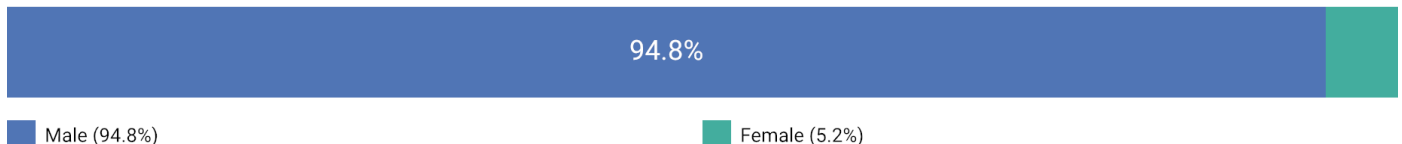
Automotive Technology Workforce Race Demographics, 2022Q3



Automotive Technology Workforce Ethnicity Demographics, 2022Q3



Automotive Technology Workforce Gender Demographics, 2022Q3



Graduate Demographics

Postsecondary program diversity varies by program across the Automotive Technology pathway. Mechanical Engineering programs have the largest number of international students, and all programs have an overrepresentation of male students.²

Race and Gender of Graduates Receiving Postsecondary Awards in SY2021, Minnesota

| CIP Code | Description | All 2021 Graduates | International Student* | Black or African American, non-Hispanic | American Indian or Alaska Native | Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | Hispanic or Latino | White, non-Hispanic | Multiple or unknown race/ethnicity | Gender - Males | Gender - Females |
|---|---|--------------------|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 14.1901 | Mechanical Engineering | 582 | 84 | 8 | 1 | 26 | 17 | 425 | 21 | 499 | 83 |
| 15.0406 | Automation Engineer Technology/Technician | 188 | 2 | 14 | 1 | 9 | 13 | 141 | 8 | 166 | 22 |
| 15.0803 | Automotive Engineering Technology/Technician | 25 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 2 | 24 | 1 |
| 15.0805 | Mechanical/Mechanical Engineering Technology/Technician | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 15.1103 | Hydraulics and Fluid Power Technology/Technician | 104 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 69 | 10 | 98 | 6 |
| 47.0604 | Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician | 340 | 0 | 12 | 5 | 19 | 31 | 262 | 11 | 330 | 10 |
| 47.0605 | Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician | 93 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 86 | 1 | 89 | 4 |
| 47.0613 | Medium/Heavy Vehicle and Truck Technology/Technician | 75 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 4 | 47 | 6 | 68 | 7 |
| 47.0614 | Alternative Fuel Vehicle Technology/Technician | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| All Automotive Technology Postsecondary Programs | | 1,408 | 90 | 70 | 10 | 62 | 68 | 1,049 | 59 | 1,275 | 133 |

IPEDS SY2021 demographics by award conferred. Count of awards may double count individuals who obtained multiple credentials in the same calendar year. *[NCES IPEDS](https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-definitions) refers to international students that do not have resident status in the United States as “nonresident aliens.” This title aligns to Federal tax definitions and according to NCES IPEDS refers to “a person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who is in this country on a visa or temporary basis and does not have the right to remain indefinitely. Note: Nonresident aliens are reported separately, rather than in any of the racial/ethnic categories.” They are not included in calculations of BIPOC talent in this report as race and ethnicity information is not provided for these international students. The terminology of “international student” has been used in this report as it is more familiar to a common audience. <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-definitions>. For more information, view this article from Berkeley on tax filing status of international students. <https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/taxes/tax-filing-status>

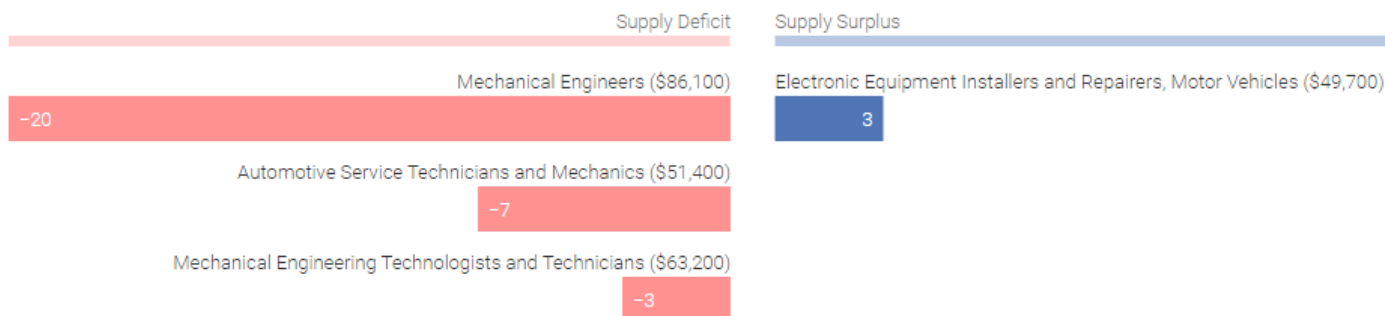
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Talent Gap Analysis

Occupation Gaps

By 2027, it is likely that Minnesota will see a growing shortage of Mechanical Engineers, Automotive Service Technicians, and Mechanical Engineering Technologists and Technicians (shown in red below). The estimated annual shortage of talent in each of these occupations has worsened since and 2021 estimates.

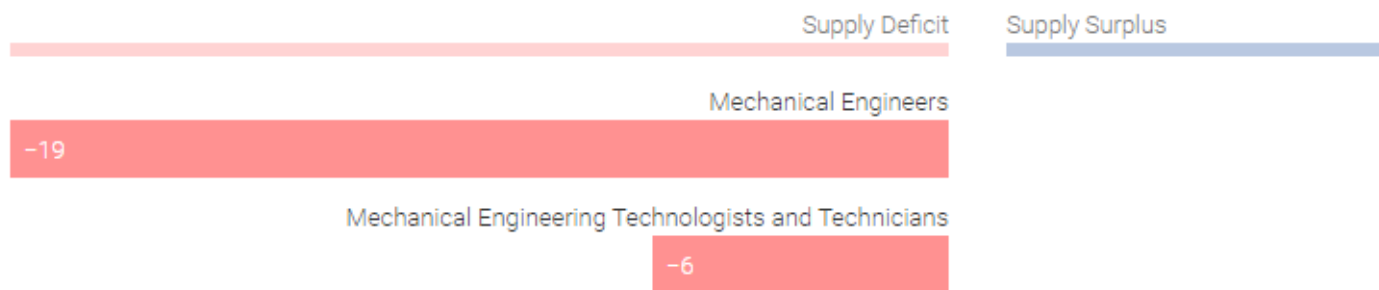
Estimated Occupation Gaps over Five Years in Minnesota



Award Gaps

Minnesota postsecondary institutions are underproducing credentials for Mechanical Engineers and Mechanical Engineering Technologists and Technicians when compared to national benchmarks for how many awards are typically conferred per local demand. This award gap coupled with the talent shortages highlighted above suggest that increasing the volume of Mechanical Engineers and Mechanical Engineering Techs out of existing programs, or building new two- and four-year programs aligned to these occupations may be warranted.

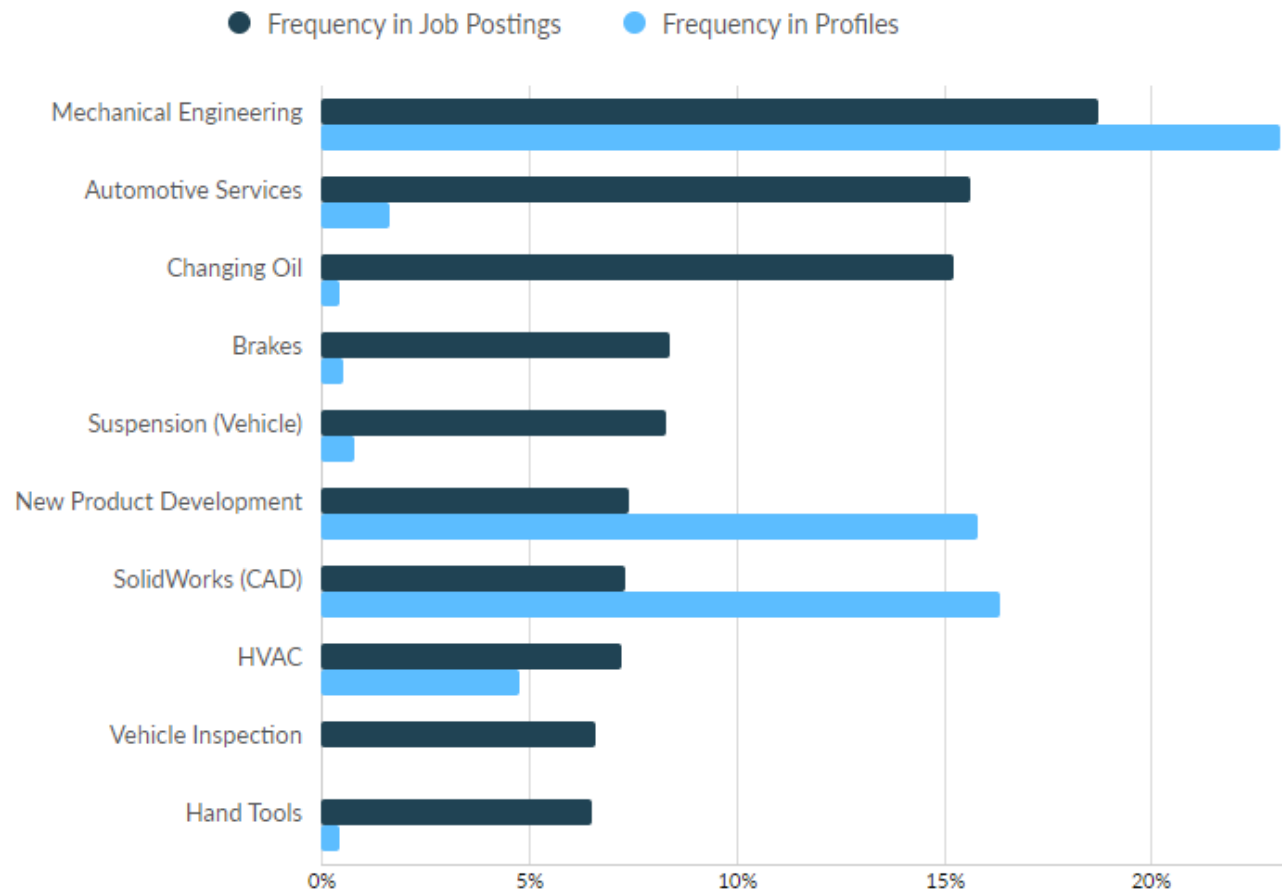
Estimated Award Gaps, Minnesota 2022Q3



Skill Misalignments

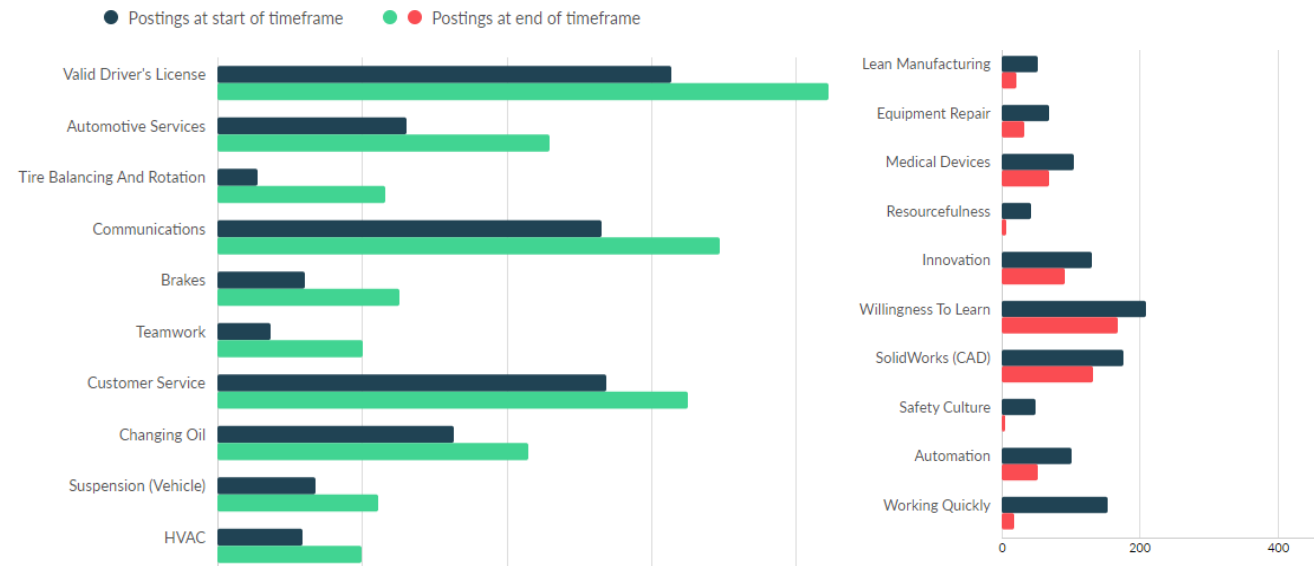
A number of specialized skills are more frequent in job postings than in candidate profiles found online, while others are found more frequently in profiles than they are mentioned in postings. Mechanical Engineering, New Product Development, and SolidWorks are all named more frequently in Automotive Technology talent profiles online than they are mentioned in job postings. In contrast, Automotive Services, changing oil, brake work, suspension, and vehicle inspection are all sought by employers in higher volume than they are observed in talent that is active online.

Percent of Pathway Job Postings and Online Talent Profiles Indicating Specialized Skills in Minnesota, 2022



Several baseline requirements, such as holding a valid driver’s license, strong communication skills, and knowledge of tire balancing and rotation have been trending up at the close of 2022. The chart below indicates skills that have increased in frequency in online job postings between January and December 2022 (shown in green) and those that have declined in frequency (shown in red).

Pathway Hot and Cold Skills in Demand in Minnesota, 2022



Source: RealTime Talent analysis of Chmura Economics JobsEQ®, <http://www.chmuraecon.com/jobseq/>. Job Posting Trends section uses data from Gartner TalentNeuron Plan, accessed 1/10/2022 at talentneuronplan.gartner.com

High Need, High Demand Pathways

There were about 1,408 awards conferred at 26 different Minnesota postsecondary institutions in programs aligned to Automotive Technology careers in SY2021. Among, these 355 were at the Associate level, and 234 were certificates that could be earned in less than two years. The average school had about 54 completions, but range from five to 285 completions. No programs were delivered remotely.

Automotive Technology Postsecondary Program Awards by Level, SY2021

| CIP Code | Title | Certificate < 1 Yr | Certificate 1+ but < 2 Yr | Associate's | Certificate 2+ but < 4 Yr | Bachelor's | Master's | Doctorate | Total Awards |
|----------|---|-----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| 14.1901 | Mechanical Engineering | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 477 | 80 | 25 | 582 |
| 47.0604 | Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician | 41 | 69 | 109 | 121 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 340 |
| 15.0406 | Automation Engineer Technology/Technician | 25 | 35 | 111 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 188 |
| 15.1103 | Hydraulics and Fluid Power Technology/Technician | 8 | 16 | 40 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 104 |
| 47.0605 | Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician | 3 | 33 | 43 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 93 |
| 47.0613 | Medium/Heavy Vehicle and Truck Technology/Technician | 0 | 4 | 51 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 75 |
| 15.0803 | Automotive Engineering Technology/Technician | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 25 |
| 15.0805 | Mechanical/Mechanical Engineering Technology/Technician | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 47.0614 | Alternative Fuel Vehicle Technology/Technician | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Total | 77 (5.5%) | 157 (11.2%) | 355 (25.2%) | 212 (15.1%) | 502 (35.7%) | 80 (5.7%) | 25 (1.8%) | 1,408 |



| Institution Type | Completions (2021) | Market Share |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Public, 2-year | 783 | 55.6% |
| Public, 4-year or above | 498 | 35.4% |
| Private not-for-profit, 4-year or above | 127 | 9.0% |

Just over half (55.6%) of awards were conferred by public two-year institutions, however the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities had the largest number of completions in SY2021, comprising 20.2% of related awards conferred. Completions are up overall by 7.2% from 2012.

Automotive Technology Postsecondary Program Awards by Institution, SY2021

| Institution | Completions (2021) | Growth % YOY (2021) | Market Share (2021) | IPEDS Tuition & Fees (2021) | Completions Tren (2017-2021) |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| University of Minnesota-Twin Cities | 285 | -0.3% | 20.2% | \$15,254 | |
| Hennepin Technical College | 245 | 33.2% | 17.4% | \$5,741 | |
| University of Minnesota-Duluth | 121 | -8.3% | 8.6% | \$13,850 | |
| University of St Thomas | 105 | -19.8% | 7.5% | \$48,329 | |
| Dakota County Technical College | 63 | 6.8% | 4.5% | \$6,208 | |
| Alexandria Technical & Community College | 57 | -10.9% | 4.0% | \$5,910 | |
| Central Lakes College-Brainerd | 57 | -10.9% | 4.0% | \$5,954 | |
| Minnesota State University-Mankato | 56 | -16.4% | 4.0% | \$9,146 | |
| Minnesota West Community and Technical College | 46 | -6.1% | 3.3% | \$6,286 | |
| South Central College | 38 | -34.5% | 2.7% | \$5,966 | |
| St Cloud Technical and Community College | 38 | -9.5% | 2.7% | \$5,874 | |
| Saint Cloud State University | 36 | -14.3% | 2.6% | \$9,170 | |
| Northland Community and Technical College | 32 | 100.0% | 2.3% | \$6,052 | |
| Minnesota State Community and Technical College | 28 | 3.7% | 2.0% | \$5,862 | |
| Saint Paul College | 28 | -15.2% | 2.0% | \$6,041 | |
| Ridgewater College | 23 | -8.0% | 1.6% | \$5,914 | |
| Riverland Community College | 23 | 35.3% | 1.6% | \$6,060 | |
| Century College | 22 | -26.7% | 1.6% | \$5,907 | |
| Dunwoody College of Technology | 22 | -47.6% | 1.6% | \$23,863 | |
| Pine Technical & Community College | 18 | -33.3% | 1.3% | \$4,489 | |

The clearest gap in program offerings is for Mechanical Engineering Technicians, which are both an area of talent shortages and where Minnesota institutions fall short of national award benchmarks. There were only 25 Bachelor's-level Automotive Engineering Technology graduates in the most recent school year, and only one Associate-level award conferred for Mechanical Engineering Technology. There were no Alternative Fuel Vehicle Technology completions. All three of these programs (CIP 15.0803, 15.0805, and 47.0614) are prime for exploration of certificate or two-year program growth or development given local employer demand.

Promising Approaches to Addressing Possible Misalignments

A variety of strategies may improve the outlook for transportation talent in need. In the Automotive Technology pathway, most occupations have low talent diversity by race and gender. Many also have a higher than average share of their workforce that is over 45 years of age. In fact, one-hundred percent of Electrical and Electronics Installers and Repairers in Minnesota are between the ages of 55 and 64 years of age.

Postsecondary programs aligned to Mechanical Engineers and Mechanical Engineering Technologists are underproducing graduates in comparison to national benchmarks. These two occupations are also experiencing talent shortages and have a low share of BIPOC graduates, and a low share of female workers and graduates. Automotive Service Technicians have the highest volume of employment and the highest number related graduates; there were 454 graduates specifically from Automotive Mechanic programs in Minnesota during the 2021 school year, plus another 168 graduates of Truck and Diesel Mechanic programs—both of which are counted in the table below.

Postsecondary Strategy Summary Table, Minnesota 2022

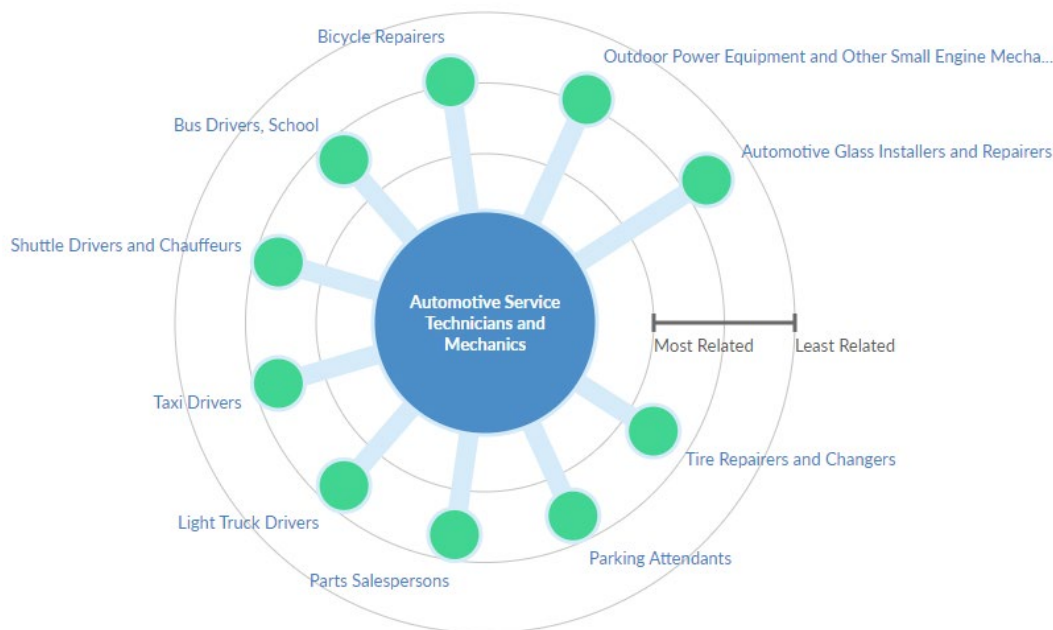
| Occupation | Related Programs* | 2022Q3 Empl | Talent Shortage | Workforce BIPOC by Race | Workforce Hispanic/Latinx | Workforce Female | Workforce Under 45 | SY2021 Graduates (Certificate and AA/AS only) | Award Gap (All Award Levels)** | Graduates BIPOC by Race or Ethnicity (All Award Levels) | Graduates Female (All Award Levels) |
|---|---|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician Hydraulics and Fluid Power Technology/Technician Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician Medium/Heavy Vehicle and Truck Technology/Technician | 13,649 | Y | 10.4% | 7.6% | 2.4% | 59.9% | 622 | N | 24.2% | 4.4% |
| Mechanical Engineers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mechanical Engineering | 6,313 | Y | 15.3% | 2.2% | 8.6% | 61.1% | 0 | Y | 24.4% | 14.8% |
| Mechanical Engineering Technologists and Technicians | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mechanical Engineering Technology/Technician Automotive Engineering Technology/Technician Automation Engineer Technology/Technician | 1,003 | Y | 11.7% | 3.1% | 21.7% | 48.5% | 189 | Y | 25.2% | 10.7% |
| Electronic Equipment Installers and Repairers, Motor Vehicles | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alternative Fuel Vehicle Technology/Technician | 216 | N | 10.6% | 5.1% | 4.6% | 41.3% | 0 | N | N/A | N/A |
| Electrical and Electronics Installers and Repairers, Transportation Equipment | N/A | 45 | N | 10.4% | 4.9% | 4.5% | 0.0% | N/A | N | N/A | N/A |
| Automotive Technology Pathway | All nine aligned programs | 21,227 | Y | 11.9% | 5.7% | 5.2% | 59.4% | 801 | Y | 25.5% | 9.4% |
| All Occupations | | 3,038,766 | | 15.0% | 5.2% | 48.3% | 56.5% | 29,484 | | 37.3% | 65.6% |

NOTE: Red highlighting indicates lower than overall share of workforce or graduate pool, or existence of occupation or award gap. *Related programs may overlap among occupations within the pathway or across other Transportation career pathways. Only those programs most tightly aligned to the occupation in question are listed in this column. **Award gaps are estimated based on a wider alignment of programs than what is illustrated in this table.

Career Pathway Opportunities

When considering occupations that have significant skill and experience overlap with the occupations of highest need in this pathway, the majority have low employment numbers or are other careers in the Transportation sector that share high demand. The graphic below offers several careers related to the Automotive Service Technician occupation in skill demands that have highly relevant skill and experience overlap that would be strong feeder occupations for talent.

Feeder Occupations into Automotive Service Technician Roles, 2023Q1



| Occupation | Category | Relevance | Avg. Unique Monthly Postings from Jan 2022 - Dec 2022 | Mean Salary Diff. |
|--|---------------------|-----------|---|-------------------|
| Tire Repairers and Changers | Advancement | 78% | 42 | -\$15,837 |
| Parking Attendants | Lateral Advancement | 69% | 48 | -\$18,555 |
| Parts Salespersons | Lateral Advancement | 68% | 85 | -\$9,806 |
| Light Truck Drivers | Lateral Advancement | 67% | 356 | -\$6,554 |
| Taxi Drivers | Lateral Advancement | 67% | 33 | -\$10,893 |
| Shuttle Drivers and Chauffeurs | Lateral Advancement | 67% | 32 | -\$10,893 |
| Bus Drivers, School | Lateral Advancement | 67% | 26 | -\$10,893 |
| Bicycle Repairers | Advancement | 47% | 4 | -\$5,183 |
| Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engine Mechanics | Advancement | 46% | 4 | -\$9,058 |
| Automotive Glass Installers and Repairers | Advancement | 33% | 7 | -\$7,210 |

FAQ

What is a location quotient?

A location quotient (LQ) is a measurement of concentration in comparison to the nation. An LQ of 1.00 indicates a region has the same concentration of an industry (or occupation) as the nation. An LQ of 2.00 would mean the region has twice the expected employment compared to the nation and an LQ of 0.50 would mean the region has half the expected employment in comparison to the nation.

What is a cluster?

A cluster is a geographic concentration of interrelated industries or occupations. If a regional cluster has a location quotient of 1.25 or greater, the region is considered to possess a competitive advantage in that cluster.

What is separation demand?

Separation demand is the number of jobs required due to separations—labor force exits (including retirements) and turnover resulting from workers moving from one occupation into another. Note that separation demand does not include all turnover—it does not include when workers stay in the same occupation but switch employers. The total projected demand for an occupation is the sum of the separation demand and the growth demand (which is the increase or decrease of jobs in an occupation expected due to expansion or contraction of the overall number of jobs in that occupation).

What is the difference between industry wages and occupation wages?

Industry wages and occupation wages are estimated via separate data sets, often the time periods being reported do not align, and wages are defined slightly differently in the two systems (for example, certain bonuses are included in the industry wages but not the occupation wages). It is therefore common that estimates of the average industry wages and average occupation wages in a region do not match exactly.

What is NAICS?

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is used to classify business establishments according to the type of economic activity. The NAICS Code comprises six levels, from the “all industry” level to the 6-digit level. The first two digits define the top level category, known as the “sector,” which is the level examined in this report.

What is SOC?

The Standard Occupational Classification system (SOC) is used to classify workers into occupational categories. All workers are classified into one of over 804 occupations according to their occupational definition. To facilitate classification, occupations are combined to form 22 major groups, 95 minor groups, and 452 occupation groups. Each occupation group includes detailed occupations requiring similar job duties, skills, education, or experience.

Who created this report?

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Introduction and Sector Overview

This report highlights the importance of the Aviation and Drone Technology career pathway for Minnesota's Transportation Industry. Professionals in Aviation and Drone Technology work in diverse roles from piloting, air traffic controlling, and aircraft maintenance technician, as well as designing, servicing, or piloting drones.¹ In all, about 9,162 people work in Aviation and Drone Technology roles in Minnesota as of the third quarter of 2022—a 7.5% increase (642 workers) from a year prior.

Overall employment in Minnesota has grown by nearly 118,000 workers (4.0%) between the second quarter of 2021 and the third quarter of 2022, and the five-year forecast recovered with a 45,970 expansion of employment over five years as of the most current baseline forecasts, or about 0.3% average annual growth. During this time frame, Aviation and Drone Technology employment is anticipated to grow moderately in Minnesota by about 86 total jobs (0.2% annually). Total baseline demand for Aviation and Drone Technology talent is anticipated to be around 4,615 professionals needed to fill positions due to job exits and transfers, such as retirements and job changes.

Transportation Pathways in Minnesota – Baseline Forecast, 2022Q3¹

| Occupation | Current | | | | | | 5-Year History | | 5-Year Baseline Forecast | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Empl | Avg Ann Wages ² | LQ | Unempl | Unempl Rate | Online Job Ads ³ | Empl Change | Ann % | Total Demand | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Ann % Growth |
| Automotive Technology Pathway | 21,227 | \$66,900 | 1.02 | 387 | 1.8% | 1,183 | -819 | -0.8% | 8,677 | 3,181 | 5,821 | -279 | -0.4% |
| Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway | 9,162 | \$115,200 | 0.86 | 139 | 1.5% | 313 | -531 | -1.1% | 4,615 | 1,584 | 2,945 | 86 | 0.2% |
| Collision Repair Pathway | 6,757 | \$54,100 | 1.05 | 177 | 2.6% | 359 | -44 | -0.1% | 3,236 | 1,128 | 2,142 | -34 | -0.1% |
| Diesel Equipment and Truck Pathway | 12,518 | \$61,900 | 1.06 | 230 | 1.8% | 593 | -458 | -0.7% | 6,135 | 2,048 | 3,894 | 192 | 0.3% |
| Marine and Power Sports Pathway | 4,799 | \$46,200 | 0.95 | 205 | 4.2% | 75 | 95 | 0.4% | 3,046 | 1,062 | 1,946 | 38 | 0.2% |
| Truck Driving Pathway* | 98,845 | \$51,200 | 0.93 | 2,607 | 2.6% | 6,446 | 5,748 | 1.2% | 63,838 | 27,225 | 34,298 | 2,315 | 0.5% |
| Transportation Occupations | 145,613 | \$58,000 | 0.96 | 3,444 | 2.4% | 8,585 | 1,899 | 0.3% | 84,921 | 33,955 | 48,916 | 2,050 | 0.3% |
| Total - All Occupations | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 170,185 | -11,615 | -0.1% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |

*This pathway includes School Bus Driver careers as of 2022, which were not included in the 2020 or 2021 estimates of career pathway employment or demand.

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

Data as of 2023Q3 unless noted otherwise

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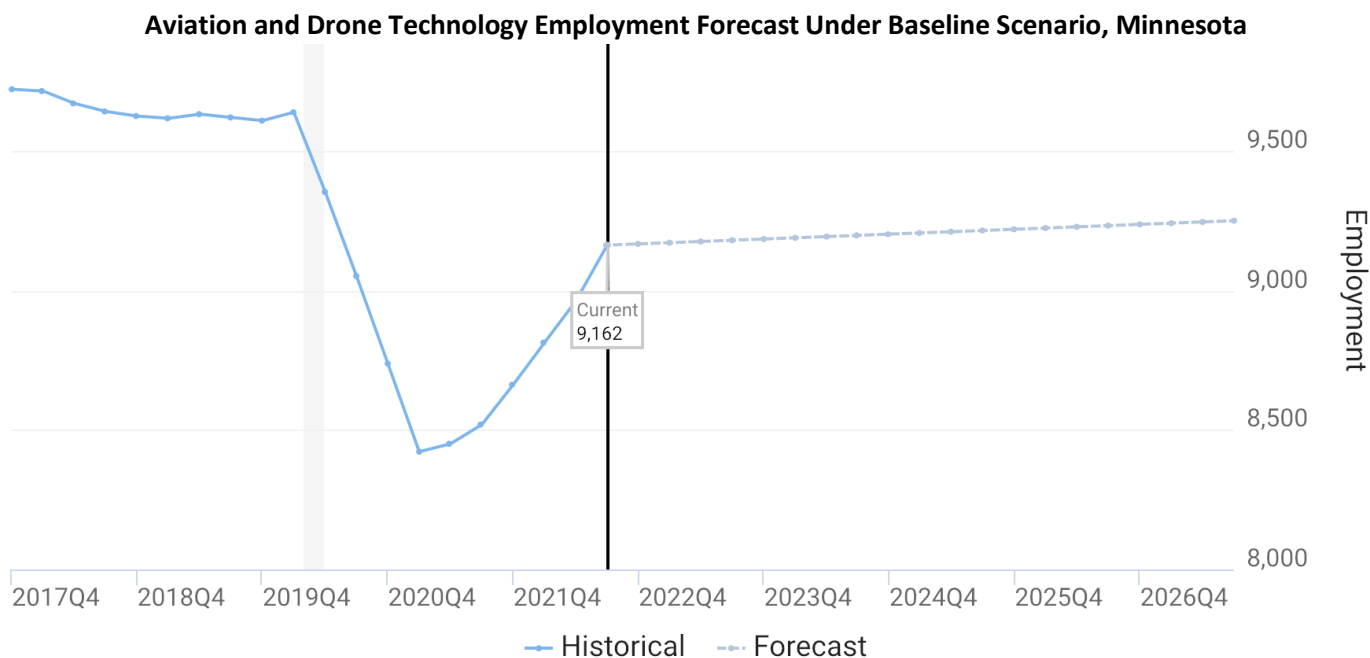
1. Data based on a four-quarter moving average unless noted otherwise.

2. Wage data represent the average for all Covered Employment

3. Data represent found online ads active within the last thirty days in the selected region; data represents a sampling rather than the complete universe of postings. Ads lacking zip code information but designating a place (city, town, etc.) may be assigned to the zip code with greatest employment in that place for queries in this analytic. Due to alternative county-assignment algorithms, ad counts in this analytic may not match that shown in RTI (nor in the popup window ad list).

¹ Drone Technology careers were added to the Aviation Pathway in this report, but were not included in the prior 2020 version of this report. Another way that this pathway has been described in other reports is Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway.

Minnesota saw a strong job market throughout 2022 and elevated recruitment among employers across most sectors. As the available talent pool was exhausted, unemployment rates dropped dramatically across critical roles and in many scenarios demand far outpaced talent supply. Forecasting future needs under current conditions with an eye to anticipated talent pipelines into Aviation and Drone Technology careers suggest that there may be shortages of talent across a large share of occupations in this career pathway unless more talent decides to enter the field. The pathway forecast has improved since 2021's estimates, with a baseline forecast of about 0.2% growth in overall employment by the second quarter of 2027.



Source: JobsEQ®, Data as of 2022Q3, The shaded areas of the graph represent national recessions.

Industry/Occupation Mix

Aviation and Drone Technology talent is primarily concentrated in the Scheduled Air Transportation Industry (39.7%) but are critical to a wide range of air transportation and aerospace industries in Minnesota, beginning to rise to the pre-pandemic volumes of Aviation and Drone Technology talent employment.

Top Industry Distribution for Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway Occupations in Minnesota

| NAICS Code | Industry Title | CURRENT | | | 10-YEAR DEMAND | | | |
|------------|--|---------------|-------|---------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| | | % of Occ Empl | Empl | Avg Ann Wages | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Total Demand |
| 4811 | Scheduled Air Transportation | 39.7% | 3,640 | \$118,300 | 1,447 | 2,807 | 105 | 4,359 |
| 4881 | Support Activities for Air Transportation | 10.4% | 950 | \$72,000 | 322 | 575 | 93 | 990 |
| 5413 | Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services | 4.4% | 400 | \$97,200 | 101 | 172 | -27 | 247 |
| 3345 | Navigational, Measuring, Electromedical, and Control Instruments Manufacturing | 4.1% | 377 | \$111,100 | 101 | 169 | -17 | 252 |
| 9261 | Administration of Economic Programs | 4.0% | 364 | \$135,700 | 122 | 243 | -17 | 348 |
| 4812 | Nonscheduled Air Transportation | 3.3% | 305 | \$103,100 | 118 | 227 | 10 | 354 |
| 4921 | Couriers and Express Delivery Services | 3.2% | 293 | \$99,400 | 103 | 194 | 33 | 330 |
| 5511 | Management of Companies and Enterprises | 3.0% | 274 | \$109,200 | 78 | 139 | 2 | 220 |
| 5613 | Employment Services | 2.7% | 246 | \$60,100 | 84 | 141 | 10 | 235 |
| 3364 | Aerospace Product and Parts Manufacturing | 2.5% | 225 | \$61,500 | 78 | 128 | -43 | 163 |
| 6219 | Other Ambulatory Health Care Services | 1.8% | 164 | \$81,500 | 61 | 116 | 1 | 178 |
| 5417 | Scientific Research and Development Services | 1.2% | 106 | \$116,400 | 28 | 48 | 8 | 84 |
| 9211 | Executive, Legislative, and Other General Government Support | 1.1% | 99 | \$94,900 | 31 | 58 | -3 | 85 |
| 3391 | Medical Equipment and Supplies Manufacturing | 1.1% | 98 | \$90,300 | 26 | 44 | 2 | 73 |
| 5416 | Management, Scientific, and Technical Consulting Services | 1.0% | 93 | \$103,100 | 26 | 45 | 11 | 81 |
| 9231 | Administration of Human Resource Programs | 0.9% | 85 | \$110,400 | 25 | 46 | -2 | 69 |
| 5415 | Computer Systems Design and Related Services | 0.9% | 83 | \$117,900 | 24 | 41 | 14 | 79 |
| 9281 | National Security and International Affairs | 0.8% | 77 | \$121,200 | 24 | 45 | -5 | 64 |
| 9221 | Justice, Public Order, and Safety Activities | 0.8% | 77 | \$110,500 | 23 | 42 | -5 | 60 |
| 3344 | Semiconductor and Other Electronic Component Manufacturing | 0.8% | 70 | \$114,100 | 18 | 30 | -1 | 47 |
| n/a | All Others | 12.4% | 1,136 | n/a | 330 | 581 | 5 | 916 |

Source: JobsEQ®
 Data as of 2022Q3 except wages which are as of 2022. Note that occupation-by-industry wages represent adjusted national data and may not be consistent with regional, all-industry occupation wages shown elsewhere in JobsEQ.
 Note: Figures may not sum due to rounding.

Talent Demand Detail

Employment and Wage Overview

Of all occupations found in the Aviation and Drone Technology pathway, the specific occupations of Airline Pilots, Air Traffic Controllers, and Electro-Mechanical and Mechatronics Techs are uniquely concentrated in Minnesota to a higher degree than seen in the nation overall. On average, Aviation careers pay about \$115,200 per year—about \$51,500 higher than the average wage statewide across all positions. There is significant variation in average wages across this field, with Airline Pilots with the highest average wages at \$139,700 compared to Aircraft Structure, Surfaces, Rigging, and Systems Assemblers at \$61,800 annually.

Aviation Pathway in Minnesota – Baseline Forecast, 2022Q3¹

| SOC | Occupation | Current | | | | | | 1-Year History | | 1-Year Forecast | | 5-Year Baseline Forecast | | | | |
|--|---|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | | Empl | Avg Ann Wages ² | LQ | Unempl | Unempl Rate | Online Job Ads ³ | Empl Change | Ann % | Empl Change | Ann % | Total Demand | Exits | Transfers | Empl Change | Ann % Change |
| 53-2011 | Airline Pilots, Copilots, and Flight Engineers | 2,970 | \$139,700 | 1.74 | 36 | 1.2% | 1 | 333 | 12.6% | 9 | 0.3% | 1,927 | 632 | 1,248 | 47 | 0.3% |
| 49-3011 | Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians | 2,041 | \$85,300 | 0.75 | 24 | 1.2% | 51 | 188 | 10.2% | 10 | 0.5% | 863 | 302 | 510 | 50 | 0.5% |
| 17-2199 | Engineers, All Other | 1,981 | \$116,200 | 0.62 | 18 | 1.0% | 80 | 9 | 0.5% | 0 | 0.0% | 632 | 237 | 396 | -1 | 0.0% |
| 53-2012 | Commercial Pilots | 636 | \$133,800 | 0.68 | 7 | 1.2% | 38 | 61 | 10.6% | 3 | 0.4% | 418 | 136 | 269 | 13 | 0.4% |
| 53-2021 | Air Traffic Controllers | 575 | \$154,000 | 1.48 | 16 | 2.8% | 6 | -15 | -2.6% | -1 | -0.2% | 298 | 100 | 203 | -5 | -0.2% |
| 51-2011 | Aircraft Structure, Surfaces, Rigging, and Systems Assemblers | 290 | \$61,800 | 0.42 | 21 | 7.1% | 5 | 33 | 12.9% | -4 | -1.3% | 141 | 60 | 99 | -18 | -1.3% |
| 17-3024 | Electro-Mechanical and Mechatronics Technologists and Technicians | 288 | \$64,400 | 1.22 | 4 | 1.4% | 87 | -3 | -1.2% | -2 | -0.7% | 126 | 49 | 86 | -9 | -0.7% |
| 53-2022 | Airfield Operations Specialists | 182 | \$65,000 | 0.69 | 5 | 2.7% | 7 | 17 | 10.4% | 1 | 0.5% | 103 | 33 | 66 | 5 | 0.5% |
| 53-1041 | Aircraft Cargo Handling Supervisors | 126 | \$69,200 | 0.64 | 1 | 0.9% | 1 | 12 | 11.0% | 0 | 0.4% | 78 | 23 | 52 | 2 | 0.4% |
| 49-2091 | Avionics Technicians | 73 | \$76,200 | 0.19 | 5 | 5.9% | 37 | 7 | 10.3% | 0 | 0.5% | 30 | 12 | 15 | 2 | 0.5% |
| Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway | | 9,162 | \$115,200 | 0.86 | 139 | 1.5% | 313 | 642 | 7.5% | 17 | 0.2% | 4,615 | 1,584 | 2,945 | 86 | 0.2% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 170,185 | 91,312 | 3.1% | 9,139 | 0.3% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

Data as of 2022Q3 unless noted otherwise

Note: Figures may not sum due to rounding.

1. Data based on a four-quarter moving average unless noted otherwise.

2. Wage data represent the average for all Covered Employment

3. Data represent found online ads active within the last thirty days in the selected region; data represents a sampling rather than the complete universe of postings. Ads lacking zip code information but designating a place (city, town, etc.) may be assigned to the zip code with greatest employment in that place for queries in this analytic. Due to alternative county-assignment algorithms, ad counts in this analytic may not match that shown in RTI (nor in the popup window ad list).

The Aviation and Drone Technology pathway saw wage averages drop from the prior year's estimates due in part to a greater influx of lower wage positions.² Entry-level wages in the pathways far exceed the average entry-level wages observed across all occupations statewide, paying an average of \$79,800 annually for entry-level talent.

² Methodology for estimating wages changed between the 2021 and 2022 reports and are new as of the 2022Q3 dataset used here. They are estimated for the most current quarter of data available (2022Q3) using a combination of data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and Chmura RTI wages, and no longer lag by a calendar year.

Occupation Wages, Average Annual in Minnesota, 2022Q3

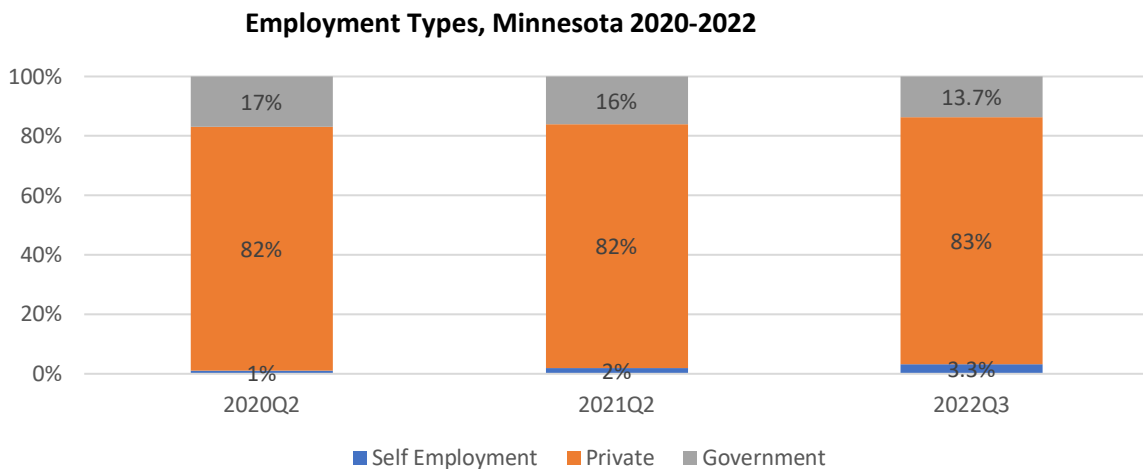
| | | | | | Percentiles | | | | |
|---------|---|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| SOC | Occupation | Mean | Entry Level | Experienced | 10% | 25% | 50% (Median) | 75% | 90% |
| 17-2199 | Engineers, All Other | \$116,200 | \$79,000 | \$134,800 | \$71,900 | \$93,000 | \$112,000 | \$132,700 | \$163,500 |
| 17-3024 | Electro-Mechanical and Mechatronics Technologists and Technicians | \$64,400 | \$48,600 | \$72,400 | \$47,400 | \$52,500 | \$63,100 | \$76,000 | \$83,200 |
| 49-2091 | Avionics Technicians | \$76,200 | \$54,000 | \$87,200 | \$48,700 | \$63,000 | \$69,100 | \$81,700 | \$96,800 |
| 49-3011 | Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians | \$85,300 | \$51,400 | \$102,200 | \$45,400 | \$62,500 | \$78,600 | \$118,700 | \$128,800 |
| 51-2011 | Aircraft Structure, Surfaces, Rigging, and Systems Assemblers | \$61,800 | \$37,800 | \$73,800 | \$35,100 | \$43,500 | \$54,000 | \$78,000 | \$89,000 |
| 53-1041 | Aircraft Cargo Handling Supervisors | \$69,200 | \$50,500 | \$78,600 | \$48,900 | \$52,800 | \$52,900 | \$81,100 | \$102,000 |
| 53-2011 | Airline Pilots, Copilots, and Flight Engineers | \$139,700 | \$108,400 | \$155,300 | \$108,400 | \$108,500 | \$109,200 | \$137,300 | \$173,500 |
| 53-2012 | Commercial Pilots | \$133,800 | \$68,700 | \$166,300 | \$59,800 | \$86,500 | \$122,600 | \$160,100 | \$218,700 |
| 53-2021 | Air Traffic Controllers | \$154,000 | \$107,900 | \$177,100 | \$86,300 | \$142,600 | \$164,500 | \$181,400 | \$195,900 |
| 53-2022 | Airfield Operations Specialists | \$65,000 | \$38,700 | \$78,100 | \$35,600 | \$44,900 | \$57,800 | \$75,800 | \$91,300 |
| | Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway | \$115,200 | \$79,800 | \$132,800 | \$74,700 | \$89,300 | \$102,100 | \$130,300 | \$157,200 |
| | Total - All Occupations | \$63,700 | \$31,400 | \$79,800 | \$29,100 | \$35,700 | \$49,800 | \$75,000 | \$108,400 |

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

Wage data represent the average for all Covered Employment

Employment Types

About 83% of people employed in Aviation and Drone Technology careers in Minnesota work for private employers, while only about 3.3% are self-employed (a slight increase over the past three years). The remaining 13.7% work for state, federal, or local government entities (mostly federal). The share employed by government agencies has declined considerably over the past few years.



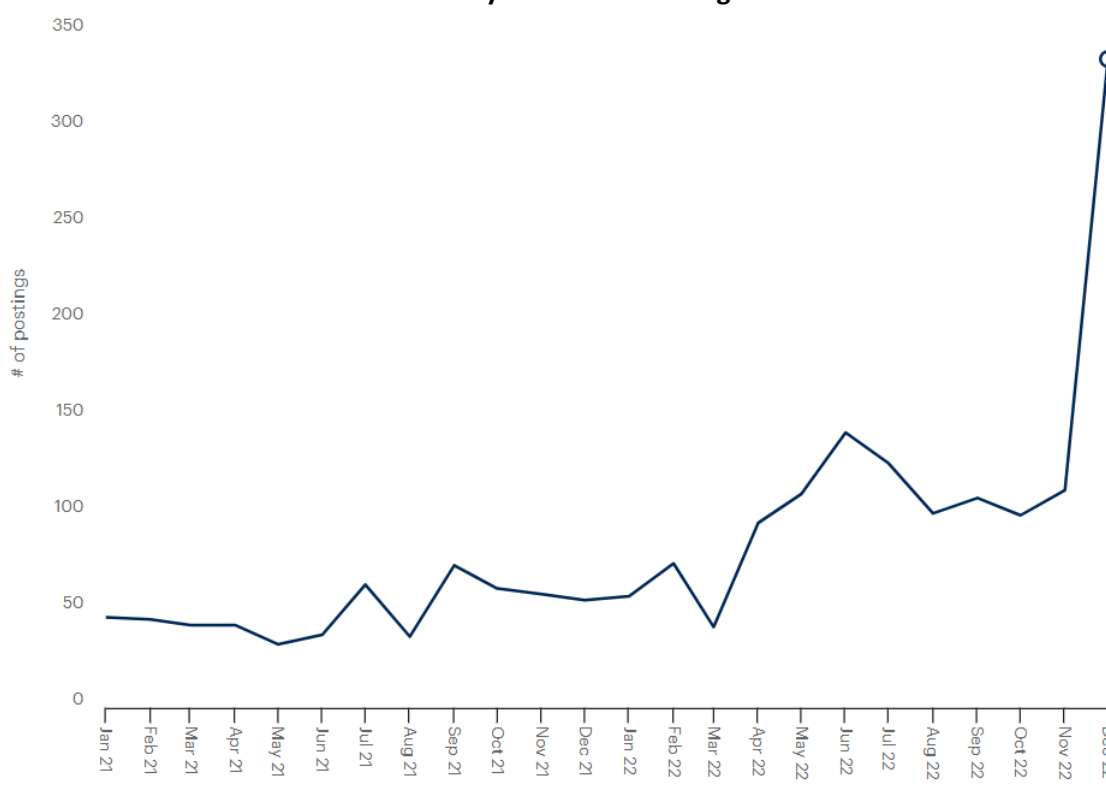
Job Posting Trends

Data in this section focuses on jobs newly advertised between January 1 and December 31, 2022 in Aviation and Drone Technology roles across Minnesota. Volume of total job postings, employer types (direct versus staffing), and top employers by unique job posting volumes comes from Gartner TalentNeuron; industry detail, skill and certification analysis, wage trends, and posting to hire analysis are from the Lightcast 2022Q4 dataset. Incredibly, there were 1,412 new jobs advertised in Aviation careers during this time frame, an increase of 135% from the prior 12-month period (2021; a 138% increase among direct employers) and the first turnaround in demand since the

Source: RealTime Talent analysis of Chmura Economics JobsEQ®, <http://www.chmuraecon.com/jobseq/>. Job Posting Trends section uses data from Gartner TalentNeuron Plan, accessed 1/21/2023 at talentneuronplan.gartner.com

onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. The largest number of job postings over the past two years were advertised in December 2022. The majority of postings were advertised in December 2022. Volume of posted positions advertised by staffing and temp agencies in the Aviation and Drone Technology pathway grew at a slightly lower rate than those of direct employers. Posted wages increased to an average \$19.66 per hour as of 2022, and there was about 1 hire per every 3 unique job postings advertised based on Lightcast estimates.

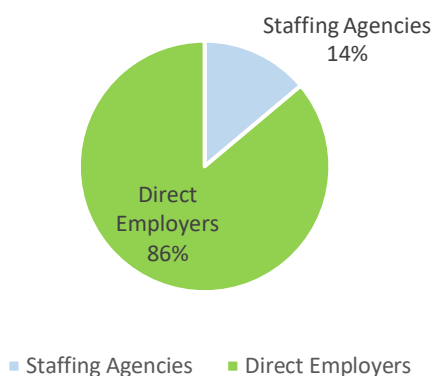
Volume of Career Pathway Online Job Postings in 2021 and 2022



Top Employers by Volume of New Job Postings, With Change from Prior Year

| Employer | | Percent Change between 2021 and 2022 |
|----------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | U.S. Customs & Border Protection | 0% |
| 2. | Army | 63% |
| 3. | Air Evac Lifeteam | 2,533% |
| 4. | Delta Air Lines | 48% |
| 5. | I.K. Hofmann | New Entrant |
| 6. | Signature Aviation | 93% |
| 7. | United Airlines | 0% |
| 8. | Aerotek | 0% |
| 9. | U.S. Navy | 283% |
| 10. | Elliott Aviation | 450% |

New Job Postings Advertised in Minnesota by Employer Type

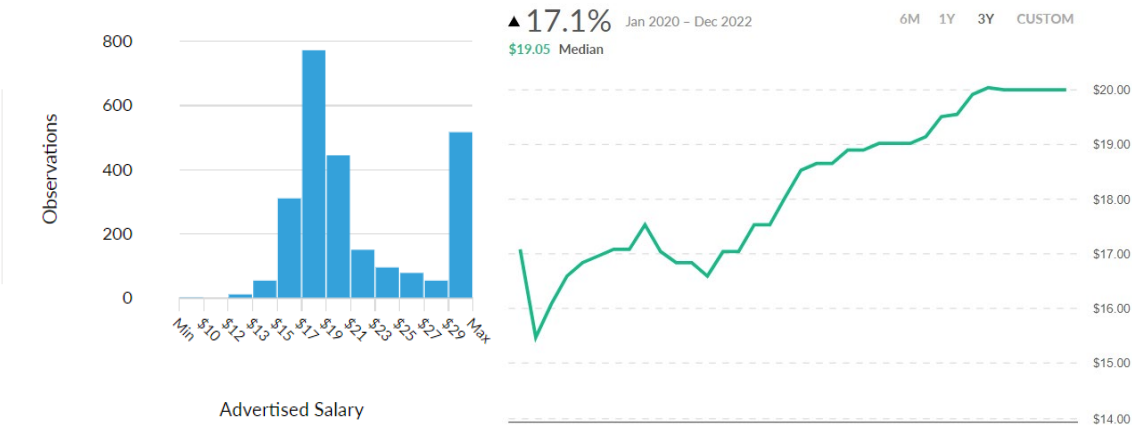


New Job Postings by Industry or Employer Type

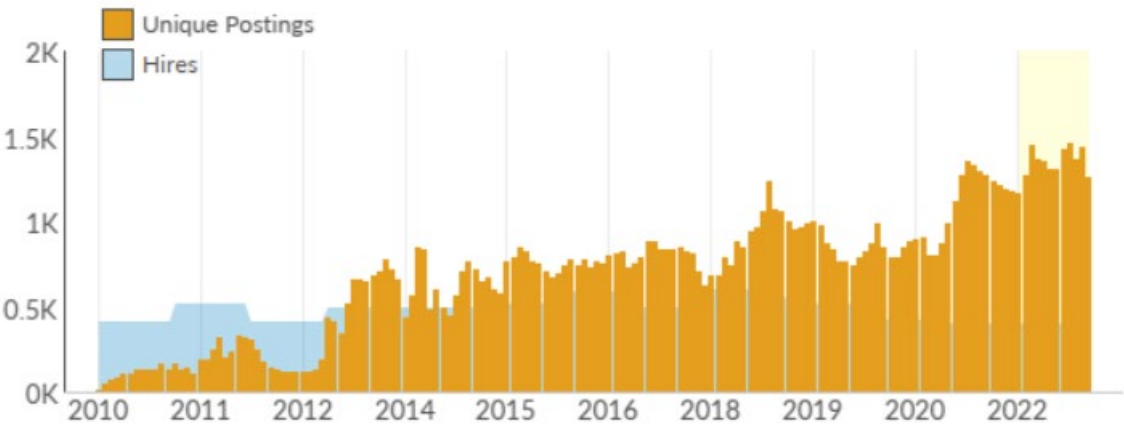
| Industry | Total/Unique (Jan 2022 - Dec 2022) | Posting Intensity | Median Posting Duration |
|---|--|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Manufacturing | 5,546 / 1,496 | 4 : 1 | 28 days |
| Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services | 3,215 / 1,280 | 3 : 1 | 23 days |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 1,098 / 577 | 2 : 1 | 23 days |
| Retail Trade | 996 / 422 | 2 : 1 | 21 days |
| Wholesale Trade | 778 / 300 | 3 : 1 | 26 days |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 605 / 198 | 3 : 1 | 23 days |
| Finance and Insurance | 385 / 151 | 3 : 1 | 21 days |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 236 / 124 | 2 : 1 | 31 days |
| Other Services (except Public Administration) | 379 / 124 | 3 : 1 | 31 days |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 262 / 97 | 3 : 1 | 26 days |

Pathway Advertised Salary Range

\$19.66/hr
Median Advertised Salary



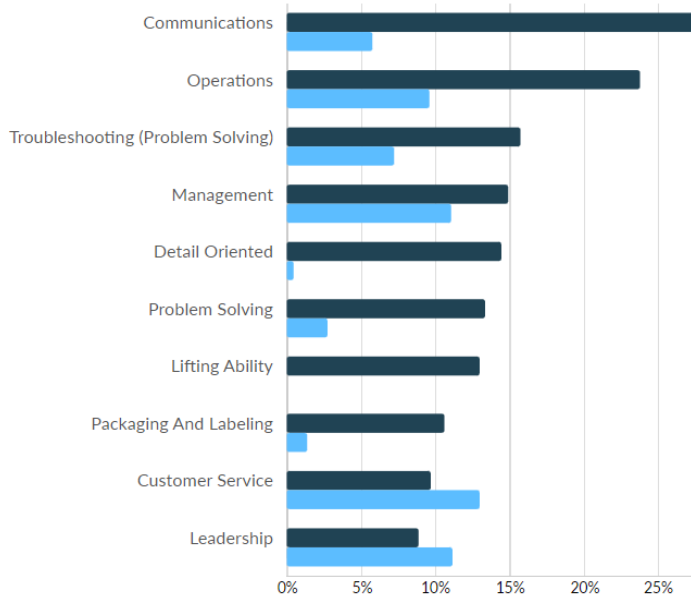
Monthly Ratio of Unique Job Postings to Estimated Hires



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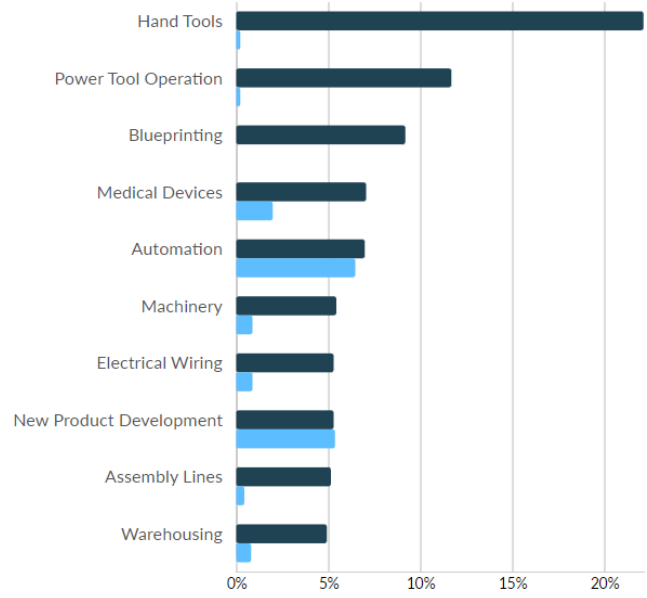
Top Common Skills

● Frequency in Job Postings ● Frequency in Profiles



Top Specialized Skills

● Frequency in Job Postings ● Frequency in Profiles



Top Certifications and Qualifications

| Qualification | Postings with Qualification |
|--|-----------------------------|
| Airframe & Powerplant (A&P) Certificate | 126 |
| Master Of Business Administration (MBA) | 63 |
| Professional Engineer | 57 |
| FAA Instrument Rating | 56 |
| Airline Transport Pilot Licence | 39 |
| Engineer in Training | 36 |
| Forklift Certification | 35 |
| Security Clearance | 32 |
| Product Certification | 31 |
| American Medical Technologists (AMT) Certification | 24 |

Talent Supply Detail

Talent Unemployment, Underemployment, and Educational Attainment

At an overall pathway unemployment rate of 1.5%, there are about 139 unemployed Aviation and Drone Technology professionals statewide. An additional 986 Aviation professionals are underemployed—meaning they are working in roles for which they are overqualified by education or experience.

Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway in Minnesota

| | | Empl (Place of Residence) | | | | | | | | Overall Occupation ¹ | | |
|--|---|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| SOC | Occupation | < High School | High School | Some College | Two-Year | Four-Year | Master's | PhD | Total Empl | Underemployed | Unemployed | Unempl Rate |
| 17-2199 | Engineers, All Other | 0.2% | 1.3% | 3.2% | 6.1% | 54.8% | 26.1% | 8.4% | 1,861 | 0 | 18 | 1.0% |
| 17-3024 | Electro-Mechanical and Mechatronics Technologists and Technicians | 1.8% | 17.4% | 20.7% | 29.3% | 25.8% | 3.9% | 1.2% | 275 | 78 | 4 | 1.4% |
| 49-2091 | Avionics Technicians | 0.8% | 16.3% | 29.4% | 33.6% | 17.3% | 2.6% | 0.0% | 73 | 14 | 5 | 5.9% |
| 49-3011 | Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians | 1.6% | 18.4% | 26.4% | 32.6% | 17.4% | 2.5% | 0.9% | 1,977 | 0 | 24 | 1.2% |
| 51-2011 | Aircraft Structure, Surfaces, Rigging, and Systems Assemblers | 9.6% | 42.7% | 21.2% | 13.9% | 10.9% | 1.3% | 0.4% | 281 | 33 | 21 | 7.1% |
| 53-1041 | Aircraft Cargo Handling Supervisors | 3.6% | 27.5% | 22.1% | 16.8% | 24.2% | 4.8% | 0.9% | 124 | 39 | 1 | 0.9% |
| 53-2011 | Airline Pilots, Copilots, and Flight Engineers | 0.2% | 1.7% | 5.3% | 5.6% | 67.2% | 16.4% | 3.5% | 2,902 | 0 | 36 | 1.2% |
| 53-2012 | Commercial Pilots | 0.2% | 2.1% | 6.1% | 6.8% | 66.2% | 15.4% | 3.2% | 596 | 0 | 7 | 1.2% |
| 53-2021 | Air Traffic Controllers | 0.1% | 6.9% | 17.5% | 16.0% | 49.8% | 8.7% | 0.9% | 562 | 313 | 26 | 2.8% |
| 53-2022 | Airfield Operations Specialists | 0.1% | 7.0% | 17.6% | 16.7% | 49.3% | 8.5% | 0.8% | 189 | 98 | 5 | 2.7% |
| Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway | | 0.9% | 8.1% | 12.1% | 14.1% | 47.8% | 13.5% | 3.5% | 8,840 | 986 | 139 | 1.5% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 4.9% | 21.1% | 15.4% | 14.1% | 30.4% | 10.3% | 3.8% | 2,944,602 | 511,822 | 68,550 | 2.3% |

Source: JobsEQ®

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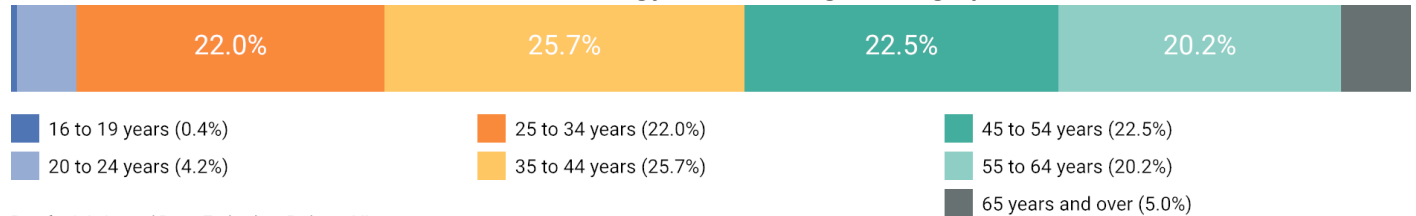
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Workforce Demographics

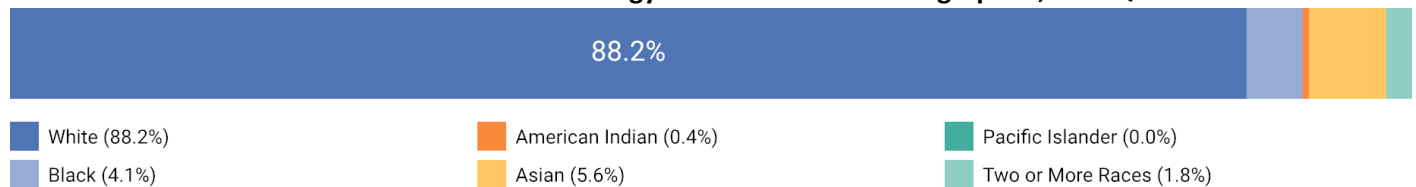
The Aviation and Drone Technology pathway has the smallest share of its workforce under the age of 25 out of all the Transportation pathways (4.6%), and 5% are over 64 years old. The largest demographic group by race are White, representing 88.2% of the total pathway's workforce, with the next largest cohort being Asian talent representing 5.6% of the workforce. About 3.3% of the pathway's workforce are Hispanic or Latinx, and 9.2% are female.

Aviation and Drone Technology Workforce Age Demographics, 2022Q3



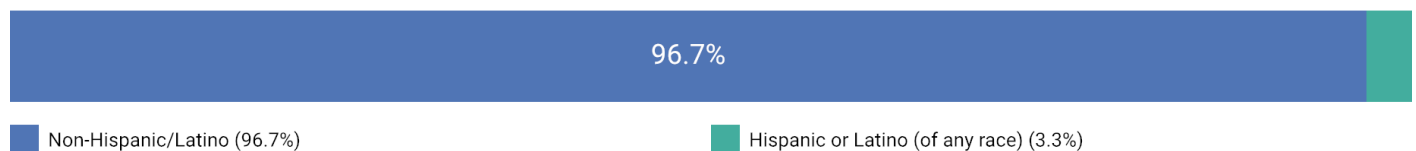
Data for Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway, Minnesota
Source: JobsEQ®. Data as of 2022Q3.

Aviation and Drone Technology Workforce Race Demographics, 2022Q3



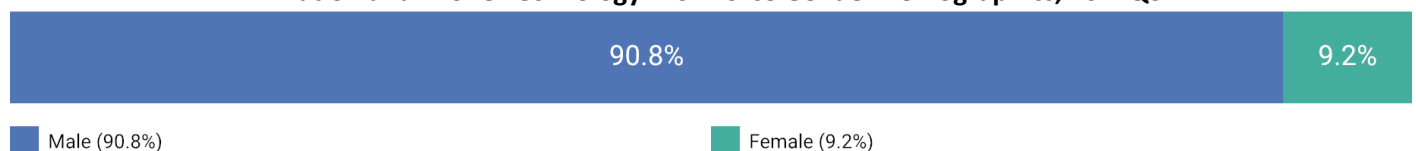
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Aviation and Drone Technology Workforce Ethnicity Demographics, 2022Q3



Data for Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway, Minnesota
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Aviation and Drone Technology Workforce Gender Demographics, 2022Q3



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Graduate Demographics

Postsecondary program diversity varies by program across the Aviation and Drone Technology pathway. Automation Engineering Technology postsecondary programs have the largest number of African American and Hispanic students who conferred awards in SY2021. All programs have an overrepresentation of male students.

Race and Gender of Graduates Receiving Postsecondary Awards in SY2021, Minnesota

| CIP Code | Description | All 2021 Graduates | International Student* | Black or African American, non-Hispanic | American Indian or Alaska Native | Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | Hispanic or Latino | White, non-Hispanic | Multiple or unknown race/ethnicity | Gender - Males | Gender - Females |
|---|--|--------------------|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 01.0205 | Agricultural Mechanics and Equipment/Machine Technology/Technician | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| 14.0101 | Engineering, General | 51 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 43 | 0 | 44 | 7 |
| 14.1201 | Engineering Physics/Applied Physics | 11 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 9 | 2 |
| 14.1301 | Engineering Science | 7 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 1 |
| 14.2701 | Systems Engineering | 19 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 4 | 11 | 8 |
| 14.3601 | Manufacturing Engineering | 53 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 32 | 7 | 38 | 15 |
| 14.3901 | Geological/Geophysical Engineering | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 2 |
| 14.4201 | Mechatronics, Robotics, and Automation Engineering | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 14.9999 | Engineering, Other | 30 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 22 | 3 | 16 | 14 |
| 15.0000 | Engineering Technologies/Technicians, General | 30 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 21 | 1 | 26 | 4 |
| 15.0303 | Electrical, Electronic, and Communications Engineering Technology/Technician | 102 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 24 | 2 | 62 | 8 | 94 | 8 |
| 15.0403 | Electromechanical/Electromechanical Engineering Technology/Technician | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15.0404 | Instrumentation Technology/Technician | 37 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 28 | 3 | 35 | 2 |
| 15.0405 | Robotics Technology/Technician | 33 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 26 | 0 | 28 | 5 |
| 15.0406 | Automation Engineer Technology/Technician | 188 | 2 | 14 | 1 | 9 | 13 | 141 | 8 | 166 | 22 |
| 15.0499 | Electromechanical Technologies/Technicians, Other | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 9 | 0 |
| 15.0805 | Mechanical/Mechanical Engineering Technology/Technician | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 15.1502 | Engineering Design | 13 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 7 |
| 15.1601 | Nanotechnology | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15.9999 | Engineering/Engineering-Related Technologies/Technicians, Other | 8 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| 47.0607 | Airframe Mechanics and Aircraft Maintenance Technology/Technician | 45 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 33 | 3 | 41 | 4 |
| 47.0608 | Aircraft Powerplant Technology/Technician | 55 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 46 | 0 | 52 | 3 |
| 47.0609 | Avionics Maintenance Technology/Technician | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 49.0102 | Airline/Commercial/Professional Pilot and Flight Crew | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 12 | 2 |
| 49.0104 | Aviation/Airway Management and Operations | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| 52.0203 | Logistics, Materials, and Supply Chain Management | 46 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 22 | 1 | 32 | 14 |
| All Aviation and Drone Technology Postsecondary Programs | | 771 | 20 | 62 | 2 | 66 | 34 | 546 | 41 | 645 | 126 |

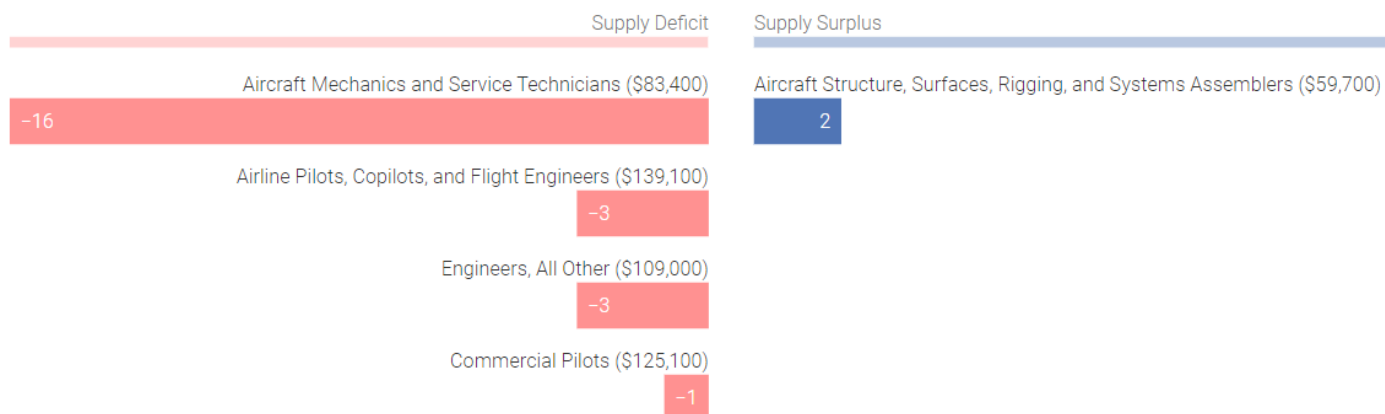
[NCES IPEDS](#) refers to international students that do not have resident status in the United States as “nonresident aliens.” This title aligns to Federal tax definitions and according to NCES IPEDS refers to “a person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who is in this country on a visa or temporary basis and does not have the right to remain indefinitely. Note: Nonresident aliens are reported separately, rather than in any of the racial/ethnic categories.” They are not included in calculations of BIPOC talent in this report as race and ethnicity information is not provided for these international students. The terminology of “international student” has been used in this report as it is more familiar to a common audience. <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-definitions>. For more information, view this article from Berkeley on tax filing status of international students. <https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/taxes/tax-filing-status>

Talent Gap Analysis

Occupation Gaps

By 2027, it is likely that Minnesota will see a growing shortage of talent in five critical Aviation and Drone Technology occupations (shown in red below). The estimated annual shortage of Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians has continued to worsen since 2020 estimates, while the other shortages shown below have improved slightly.

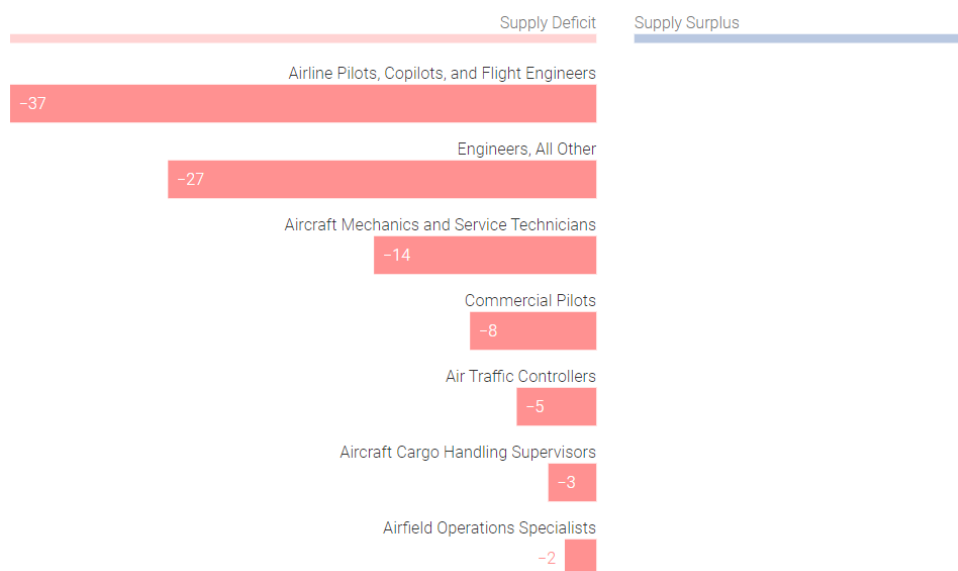
Estimated Occupation Gaps over Five Years in Minnesota



Award Gaps

Minnesota postsecondary institutions are underproducing credentials for Pilots and Aircraft Mechanics when compared to national benchmarks for how many awards are typically conferred per local demand. This award gap coupled with the talent shortages highlighted above suggest that increasing the volume of Airline Pilots, Commercial Pilots, Aircraft Mechanics, and Aircraft Technicians out of existing programs, or building new two-year programs aligned to these occupations may be warranted.

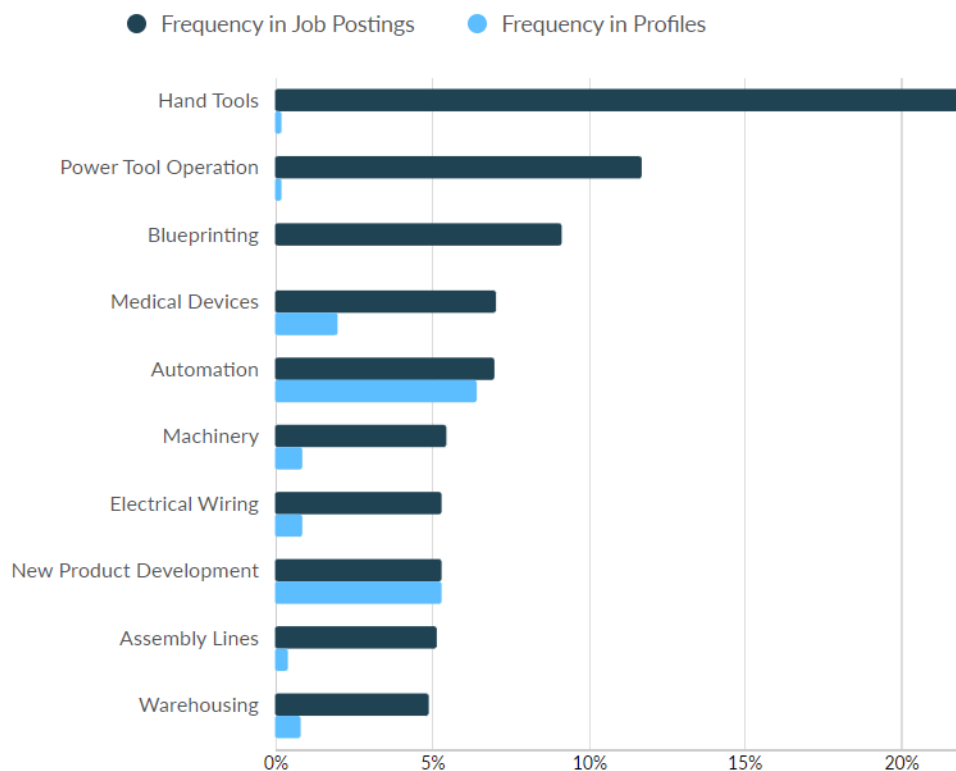
Estimated Award Gaps, Minnesota 2022Q3



Skill Misalignments

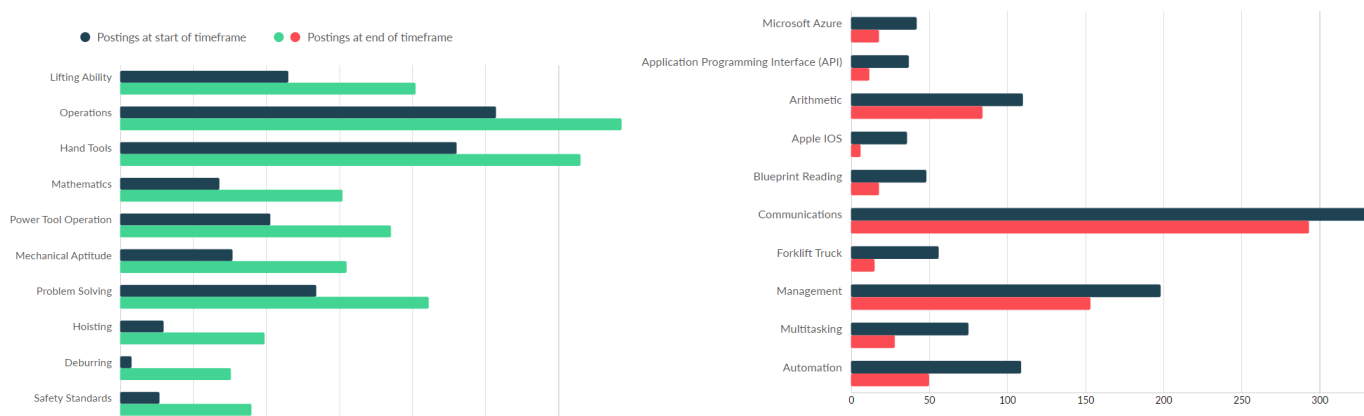
A number of specialized skills are more frequent in job postings than in candidate profiles found online. Ability to use hand tools, power tools, and blueprints are all named more frequently in Aviation and Drone Technology talent online job postings than in talent profiles.

Percent of Pathway Job Postings and Online Talent Profiles Indicating Specialized Skills in Minnesota, 2022



Several baseline requirements, such as physical skills, mathematical and mechanical aptitude, and knowledge of safety standards have been trending up at the close of 2022. The chart below indicates skills that have increased in frequency in online job postings between January and December 2022 (shown in green) and those that have declined in frequency (shown in red).

Pathway Hot and Cold Skills in Demand in Minnesota, 2022



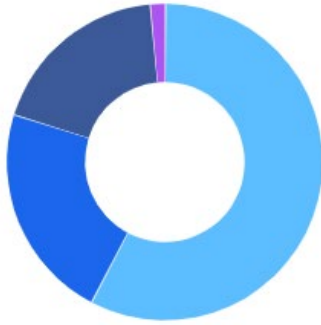
High Need, High Demand Pathways

There were about 771 awards conferred at 29 different Minnesota postsecondary institutions in programs aligned to Aviation and Drone Technology careers in SY2021. Among these 300 were at the Associate level, and 142 were certificates that could be earned in less than two years. The average school had about 27 completions, but range from one to 90 completions. Four institutions offered programs remotely (14% of institutions), with 44 awards obtained remotely in 2021 (6% of all pathway completions).

Programs mapping to this career pathway are diverse and several align to other occupations outside of this career pathway, namely in STEM and Manufacturing clusters.

Aviation and Drone Technology Postsecondary Program Awards by Level, SY2021

| CIP Code | Title | Certificate < 1 Yr | Certificate 1+ but < 2 Yr | Associate's | Certificate 2+ but < 4 Yr | Bachelor's | Post Bacc. | Masters | Total Awards |
|--------------|--|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| 15.0406 | Automation Engineer Technology/Technician | 25 | 35 | 111 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 188 |
| 15.0303 | Electrical, Electronic, and Communications Engineering Technology/Technician | 21 | 6 | 58 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 102 |
| 47.0608 | Aircraft Powerplant Technology/Technician | 39 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 55 |
| 14.3601 | Manufacturing Engineering | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 | 16 | 10 | 53 |
| 14.0101 | Engineering, General | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 48 | 1 | 2 | 51 |
| 52.0203 | Logistics, Materials, and Supply Chain Management | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 38 | 0 | 0 | 46 |
| 47.0607 | Airframe Mechanics and Aircraft Maintenance Technology/Technician | 2 | 0 | 23 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 45 |
| 15.0404 | Instrumentation Technology/Technician | 0 | 0 | 35 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 37 |
| 15.0405 | Robotics Technology/Technician | 1 | 0 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 33 |
| 15.0000 | Engineering Technologies/Technicians, General | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 30 |
| 14.9999 | Engineering, Other | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 21 | 30 |
| 14.2701 | Systems Engineering | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 19 |
| 49.0102 | Airline/Commercial/Professional Pilot and Flight Crew | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 14 |
| 15.1502 | Engineering Design | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 13 |
| 14.1201 | Engineering Physics/Applied Physics | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| 15.0499 | Electromechanical Technologies/Technicians, Other | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| 15.9999 | Engineering/Engineering-Related Technologies/Technicians, Other | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| 14.1301 | Engineering Science | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| 14.3901 | Geological/Geophysical Engineering | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 7 |
| 01.0205 | Agricultural Mechanics and Equipment/Machine Technology/Technician | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 49.0104 | Aviation/Airway Management and Operations | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 47.0609 | Avionics Maintenance Technology/Technician | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 15.0805 | Mechanical/Mechanical Engineering Technology/Technician | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 15.0403 | Electromechanical/Electromechanical Engineering Technology/Technician | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 14.4201 | Mechatronics, Robotics, and Automation Engineering | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15.1601 | Nanotechnology | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | | 100 (13.0%) | 42 (5.4%) | 300 (38.9%) | 51 (6.6%) | 176 (22.8%) | 26 (3.4%) | 76 (9.9%) | 771 |















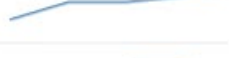






| Institution Type | Completions (2021) | Market Share |
|---|--------------------|--------------|
| Public, 2-year | 444 | 57.6% |
| Public, 4-year or above | 171 | 22.2% |
| Private not-for-profit, 4-year or above | 144 | 18.7% |
| Private for-profit, 4-year or above | 12 | 1.6% |

Over half (57.6%) of awards were conferred by public two-year institutions, with Hennepin Technical College and Minneapolis Community and Technical College together comprising 23% of SY2021 awards conferred. Completions are up overall by 39.4% from 2012.

Aviation and Drone Technology Postsecondary Program Awards by Institution, SY2021

| Institution | Completions (2021) | Growth % YOY (2021) | Market Share (2021) | IPEDS Tuition & Fees (2021) | Completions Tren (2017-2021) |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Hennepin Technical College | 90 | -23.1% | 11.7% | \$5,741 | |
| Minneapolis Community and Technical College | 87 | 123.1% | 11.3% | \$5,906 | |
| Dunwoody College of Technology | 62 | -13.9% | 8.0% | \$23,863 | |
| University of St Thomas | 52 | -10.3% | 6.7% | \$48,329 | |
| Minnesota State University-Mankato | 46 | -14.8% | 6.0% | \$9,146 | |
| Ridgewater College | 40 | -11.1% | 5.2% | \$5,914 | |
| South Central College | 38 | -35.6% | 4.9% | \$5,966 | |
| Lake Superior College | 36 | 28.6% | 4.7% | \$5,616 | |
| Metropolitan State University | 32 | 3.2% | 4.2% | \$9,394 | |
| Saint Cloud State University | 30 | 57.9% | 3.9% | \$9,170 | |

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|--|----|------------|------|----------|---|
| University of Minnesota-Twin Cities | 29 | 0.0% | 3.8% | \$15,254 |  |
| Central Lakes College-Brainerd | 26 | 0.0% | 3.4% | \$5,954 |  |
| Bemidji State University | 25 | 31.6% | 3.2% | \$9,806 |  |
| Alexandria Technical & Community College | 24 | -11.1% | 3.1% | \$5,910 |  |
| Northland Community and Technical College | 22 | -31.3% | 2.9% | \$6,052 |  |
| St Cloud Technical and Community College | 21 | 31.3% | 2.7% | \$5,874 |  |
| Saint Paul College | 17 | 88.9% | 2.2% | \$6,041 |  |
| Minnesota State College Southeast | 14 | 366.7% | 1.8% | \$6,562 |  |
| University of Northwestern-St Paul | 14 | -30.0% | 1.8% | \$34,180 |  |
| Anoka Technical College | 13 | 18.2% | 1.7% | \$6,075 |  |
| Academy College | 12 | 20.0% | 1.6% | \$18,644 |  |
| Minnesota West Community and Technical College | 11 | -15.4% | 1.4% | \$6,286 |  |
| Minnesota State University Moorhead | 7 | 75.0% | 0.9% | \$9,468 |  |
| Hamline University | 7 | 133.3% | 0.9% | \$46,221 |  |
| Bethany Lutheran College | 6 | 50.0% | 0.8% | \$28,660 |  |
| Century College | 5 | -16.7% | 0.6% | \$5,907 |  |
| University of Minnesota-Duluth | 2 | 0.0% | 0.3% | \$13,850 |  |
| Saint Mary's University of Minnesota | 2 | Insf. Data | 0.3% | \$39,410 |  |
| Bethel University | 1 | -85.7% | 0.1% | \$40,080 |  |

The clearest gap in program offerings is for Airline Pilots, which are both an area of talent shortages and where Minnesota institutions fall short of national award benchmarks. There were only 8 Associate-level and 6 Bachelor's-level graduates in the most recent school year. In addition, Airline Mechanics and Service Technicians have significant talent shortages and low graduate supplies to meet local demand.

Promising Approaches to Addressing Possible Misalignments

A variety of strategies may improve the outlook for transportation talent in need. In the Aviation and Drone Technology pathway, all have low talent diversity by gender—both among the workforce and new graduates. Many also have a higher than average share of their workforce that is over 45 years of age, and a much higher share of white talent than the overall workforce representation.

Most occupations with local talent shortages are also underproducing postsecondary graduates in comparison to national benchmarks. Electro-Mechanical and Mechatronics Technologists and Technicians have the largest number of annual graduate completions of certificate or two-year degrees in alignment, seemingly able to meet local demand. However, the diversity of graduates from these programs is low in comparison to postsecondary programs as a whole. Airline Pilots and Airline Mechanics, both mentioned above as important award gaps to address, also have low diversity in their workforce and graduate talent pools.

Postsecondary Strategy Summary Table, Minnesota 2022

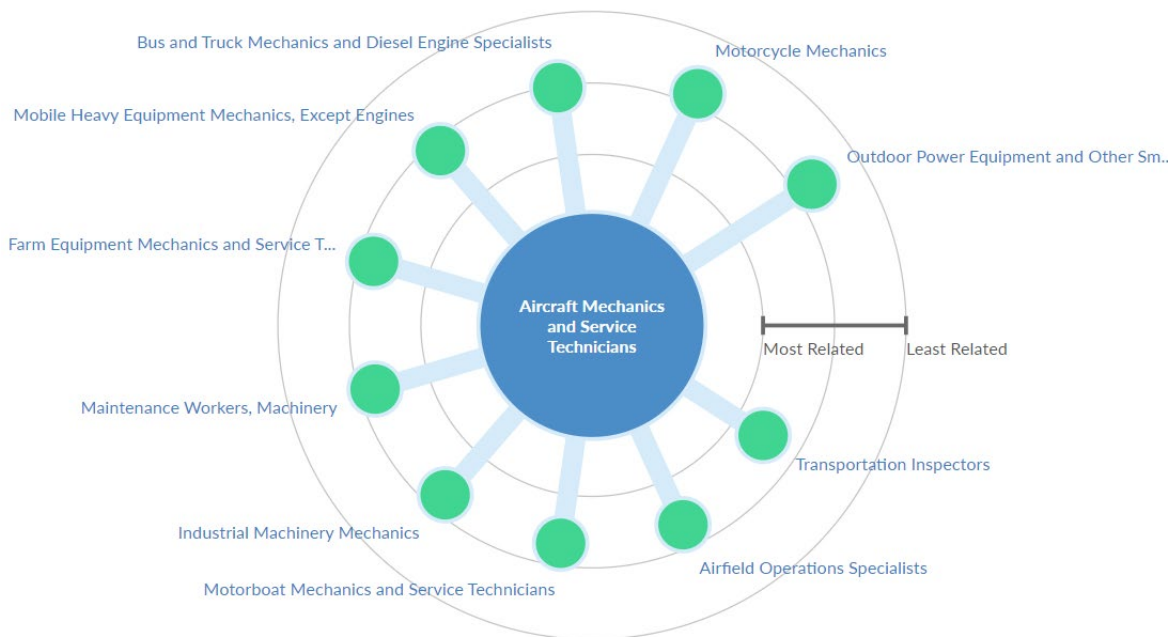
| Occupation | Related Programs* | 2022Q3 Empl | Talent Shortage | Workforce BIPOC by Race | Workforce Hispanic/Latinx | Workforce Female | Workforce Under 45 | SY2021 Graduates (Certificate and AA/AS only) | Award Gap (All Award Levels)** | Graduates BIPOC by Race or Ethnicity (All Award Levels) | Graduates Female (All Award Levels) |
|---|---|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Airline Pilots, Copilots, and Flight Engineers | • Airline/Commercial/Professional Pilot and Flight Crew | 2,970 | Y | 6.7% | 2.0% | 4.7% | 45.4% | 8 | Y | 14.3% | 14.3% |
| Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians | • Agricultural Mechanics and Equipment/Machine Technology/Technician • Airframe Mechanics and Aircraft Maintenance Technology/Technician | 2,041 | Y | 9.7% | 4.4% | 3.2% | 56.6% | 51 | Y | 23.5% | 7.8% |
| Engineers, All Other | • Engineering, General • Engineering Physics/Applied Physics • Engineering Science • Systems Engineering • Manufacturing Engineering • Geological/Geophysical Engineering • Mechatronics, Robotics, and Automation Engineering • Engineering, Other | 1,981 | Y | 20.0% | 2.5% | 14.1% | 54.9% | 0 | Y | 21.3% | 27.5% |
| Commercial Pilots* | • Airline/Commercial/Professional Pilot and Flight Crew | 636 | Y | 4.2% | 1.5% | 4.5% | 42.2% | 8 | Y | 14.3% | 14.3% |
| Air Traffic Controllers | • Aviation/Airway Management and Operations | 575 | N | 19.1% | 7.1% | 19.5% | 60.4% | 3 | Y | 66.7% | 33.3% |
| Aircraft Structure, Surfaces, Rigging, and Systems Assemblers | • Aircraft Powerplant Technology/Technician | 290 | N | 19.5% | 6.3% | 30.3% | 80.0% | 55 | N | 16.4% | 5.5% |
| Electro-Mechanical and Mechatronics Technologists and Technicians | • Engineering Technologies/Technicians, General • Electrical, Electronic, and Communications Engineering Technology/Technician • Electromechanical/Electromechanical Engineering Technology/Technician • Instrumentation Technology/Technician • Robotics Technology/Technician • Automation Engineer Technology/Technician • Mechanical/Mechanical Engineering Technology/Technician • Engineering Design • Nanotechnology • Engineering/Engineering-Related Technicians, Other | 288 | N | 12.4% | 3.1% | 21.9% | 48.7% | 365 | N | 28.3% | 12.6% |
| Airfield Operations Specialists* | • Aviation/Airway Management and Operations | 182 | N | 17.9% | 6.8% | 19.6% | 60.3% | 3 | Y | 66.7% | 33.3% |
| Aircraft Cargo Handling Supervisors | • Logistics, Materials, and Supply Chain Management | 126 | N | 20.1% | 6.4% | 25.8% | 61.7% | 8 | Y | 50.0% | 30.4% |
| Avionics Technicians | • Avionics Maintenance Technology/Technician | 73 | N | 13.6% | 5.7% | 4.4% | 43.1% | 3 | N | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway | All 26 aligned programs | 9,162 | Y | 11.8% | 3.3% | 9.2% | 52.4% | 771 | Y | 29.2% | 16.3% |
| All Occupations | | 3,038,766 | | 15.0% | 5.2% | 48.3% | 56.5% | 29,484 | | 37.3% | 65.6% |

NOTE: Red highlighting indicates lower than overall share of workforce or graduate pool, or existence of occupation or award gap. *Related programs may overlap among occupations within the pathway or across other Transportation career pathways. Only those programs most tightly aligned to the occupation in question are listed in this column. **Award gaps are estimated based on a wider alignment of programs than what is illustrated in this table.

Career Pathway Opportunities

When considering occupations that have significant skill and experience overlap with the occupations of highest need in this pathway, the majority have low employment numbers or are other careers in the Transportation sector that share high demand. The graphic below offers several careers related to the Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians occupation in skill demands that have highly relevant skill and experience overlap that would be strong feeder occupations for talent.

Feeder Occupations into Aircraft Mechanic and Service Technician Roles, 2023Q1



| Occupation | Category | Relevance | Avg. Unique Monthly Postings from Jan 2022 - Dec 2022 | Mea Salary Dif |
|--|---------------------|-----------|---|----------------|
| Transportation Inspectors | Lateral Advancement | 77% | 6 | -\$7,96 |
| Airfield Operations Specialists | Lateral Advancement | 66% | 2 | -\$8,40 |
| Motorboat Mechanics and Service Technicians | Advancement | 66% | 1 | -\$11,88 |
| Industrial Machinery Mechanics | Lateral Advancement | 63% | 108 | -\$10,44 |
| Maintenance Workers, Machinery | Lateral Advancement | 62% | 3 | -\$10,78 |
| Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians | Advancement | 60% | 7 | -\$16,84 |
| Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines | Advancement | 58% | 33 | -\$6,95 |
| Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists | Advancement | 52% | 173 | -\$8,61 |
| Motorcycle Mechanics | Advancement | 41% | 1 | -\$15,47 |
| Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engine Mechanics | Advancement | 37% | 4 | -\$25,43 |

FAQ

What is a location quotient?

A location quotient (LQ) is a measurement of concentration in comparison to the nation. An LQ of 1.00 indicates a region has the same concentration of an industry (or occupation) as the nation. An LQ of 2.00 would mean the region has twice the expected employment compared to the nation and an LQ of 0.50 would mean the region has half the expected employment in comparison to the nation.

What is a cluster?

A cluster is a geographic concentration of interrelated industries or occupations. If a regional cluster has a location quotient of 1.25 or greater, the region is considered to possess a competitive advantage in that cluster.

What is separation demand?

Separation demand is the number of jobs required due to separations—labor force exits (including retirements) and turnover resulting from workers moving from one occupation into another. Note that separation demand does not include all turnover—it does not include when workers stay in the same occupation but switch employers. The total projected demand for an occupation is the sum of the separation demand and the growth demand (which is the increase or decrease of jobs in an occupation expected due to expansion or contraction of the overall number of jobs in that occupation).

What is the difference between industry wages and occupation wages?

Industry wages and occupation wages are estimated via separate data sets, often the time periods being reported do not align, and wages are defined slightly differently in the two systems (for example, certain bonuses are included in the industry wages but not the occupation wages). It is therefore common that estimates of the average industry wages and average occupation wages in a region do not match exactly.

What is NAICS?

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is used to classify business establishments according to the type of economic activity. The NAICS Code comprises six levels, from the “all industry” level to the 6-digit level. The first two digits define the top level category, known as the “sector,” which is the level examined in this report.

What is SOC?

The Standard Occupational Classification system (SOC) is used to classify workers into occupational categories. All workers are classified into one of over 804 occupations according to their occupational definition. To facilitate classification, occupations are combined to form 22 major groups, 95 minor groups, and 452 occupation groups. Each occupation group includes detailed occupations requiring similar job duties, skills, education, or experience.

Who created this report?

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Introduction and Sector Overview

This report highlights the importance of the Collision Repair career pathway for Minnesota's Transportation Industry. Professionals in Collision Repair work in diverse roles from autobody repairers and glass installers to autobody painting, serving industries as diverse as Navigational Manufacturing and Automobile Dealerships. In all, about 6,757 people work in Collision Repair roles in Minnesota as of the third quarter of 2022—a slight decline (-107 workers) from a year prior.

Overall employment in Minnesota has grown by nearly 118,000 workers (4.0%) between the second quarter of 2021 and the third quarter of 2022, and the five-year forecast recovered with a 45,970 expansion of employment over five years as of the most current baseline forecasts, or about 0.3% average annual growth. During this time frame, Collision Repair employment is anticipated to decline slightly in Minnesota, declining by 34 total jobs (-0.1% annually) due to a tight talent pool. Total baseline demand for Collision Repair talent is anticipated to be around 3,236 professionals needed to fill positions due to job exits and transfers, such as retirements and job changes.

Transportation Pathways in Minnesota – Baseline Forecast, 2022Q3¹

| | Current | | | | | | 5-Year History | | 5-Year Baseline Forecast | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Occupation | Empl | Avg Ann Wages ² | LQ | Unempl | Unempl Rate | Online Job Ads ³ | Empl Change | Ann % | Total Demand | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Ann % Growth |
| Automotive Technology Pathway | 21,227 | \$66,900 | 1.02 | 387 | 1.8% | 1,183 | -819 | -0.8% | 8,677 | 3,181 | 5,821 | -279 | -0.4% |
| Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway | 9,162 | \$115,200 | 0.86 | 139 | 1.5% | 313 | -531 | -1.1% | 4,615 | 1,584 | 2,945 | 86 | 0.2% |
| Collision Repair Pathway | 6,757 | \$54,100 | 1.05 | 177 | 2.6% | 359 | -44 | -0.1% | 3,236 | 1,128 | 2,142 | -34 | -0.1% |
| Diesel Equipment and Truck Pathway | 12,518 | \$61,900 | 1.06 | 230 | 1.8% | 593 | -458 | -0.7% | 6,135 | 2,048 | 3,894 | 192 | 0.3% |
| Marine and Power Sports Pathway | 4,799 | \$46,200 | 0.95 | 205 | 4.2% | 75 | 95 | 0.4% | 3,046 | 1,062 | 1,946 | 38 | 0.2% |
| Truck Driving Pathway* | 98,845 | \$51,200 | 0.93 | 2,607 | 2.6% | 6,446 | 5,748 | 1.2% | 63,838 | 27,225 | 34,298 | 2,315 | 0.5% |
| Transportation Occupations | 145,613 | \$58,000 | 0.96 | 3,444 | 2.4% | 8,585 | 1,899 | 0.3% | 84,921 | 33,955 | 48,916 | 2,050 | 0.3% |
| Total - All Occupations | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 170,185 | -11,615 | -0.1% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |

*This pathway includes School Bus Driver careers as of 2022, which were not included in the 2020 or 2021 estimates of career pathway employment or demand.

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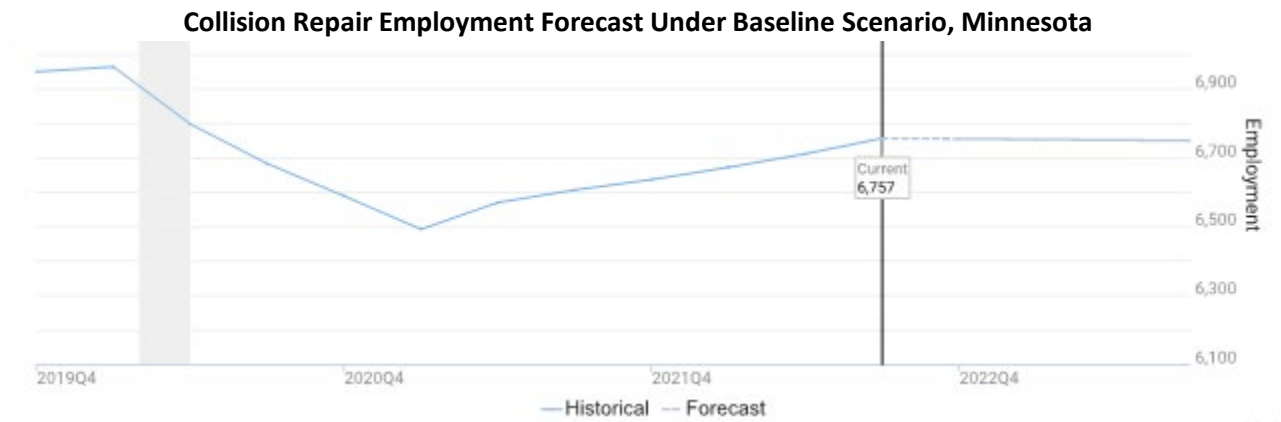
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Minnesota saw a strong job market throughout 2022 and elevated recruitment among employers across most sectors. As the available talent pool was exhausted, unemployment rates dropped dramatically across critical roles and in many scenarios demand far outpaced talent supply. Forecasting future needs under current conditions with an eye to anticipated talent pipelines into Collision Repair suggest that there may be shortages of talent across a large share of occupations in this career pathway unless more talent decides to enter the field. The pathway forecast has soured since estimates in late 2020, with a baseline forecast of about -0.1% average annual decline in overall employment by the second quarter of 2027. Following an initially strong recovery in early 2021, 2022 saw relatively flat employment numbers quarter-to-quarter.



Industry/Occupation Mix

Collision Repair talent is primarily concentrated in the Automotive Repair and Maintenance industry (45.2%), decreasing in its concentration from estimates in 2021 by 1.2 percentage points. The next highest industry of employment concentration is Automobile Dealers (7.5%), followed by general Coating, Engraving, Heat Treating, and Allied Activities as well as Architectural and Structural Metals Manufacturing employers.

Top Industry Distribution for Collision Repair Pathway Occupations in Minnesota

| NAICS Code | Industry Title | CURRENT | | | 5-YEAR DEMAND | | | |
|------------|--|---------------|-------|---------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| | | % of Occ Empl | Empl | Avg Ann Wages | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Total Demand |
| 8111 | Automotive Repair and Maintenance | 45.2% | 3,051 | \$55,100 | 550 | 915 | -5 | 1,460 |
| 4411 | Automobile Dealers | 7.5% | 506 | \$53,200 | 93 | 143 | -17 | 218 |
| 3328 | Coating, Engraving, Heat Treating, and Allied Activities | 6.3% | 423 | \$40,900 | 62 | 142 | -10 | 194 |
| 3323 | Architectural and Structural Metals Manufacturing | 3.2% | 215 | \$47,700 | 33 | 76 | 8 | 117 |
| 3339 | Other General Purpose Machinery Manufacturing | 2.8% | 189 | \$47,700 | 27 | 62 | -11 | 77 |
| 3331 | Agriculture, Construction, and Mining Machinery Manufacturing | 1.7% | 118 | \$47,700 | 17 | 38 | -8 | 47 |
| 3371 | Household and Institutional Furniture and Kitchen Cabinet Manufacturing | 1.7% | 113 | \$47,700 | 17 | 39 | 1 | 57 |
| 3399 | Other Miscellaneous Manufacturing | 1.6% | 111 | \$47,700 | 17 | 40 | 5 | 62 |
| 3219 | Other Wood Product Manufacturing | 1.4% | 91 | \$39,800 | 14 | 32 | 2 | 48 |
| 3362 | Motor Vehicle Body and Trailer Manufacturing | 1.3% | 89 | \$44,700 | 14 | 31 | 3 | 49 |
| 3369 | Other Transportation Equipment Manufacturing | 1.2% | 83 | \$49,100 | 12 | 27 | -6 | 33 |
| 3329 | Other Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing | 1.2% | 83 | \$47,700 | 12 | 29 | 0 | 41 |
| 3222 | Converted Paper Product Manufacturing | 1.2% | 83 | \$55,100 | 12 | 28 | -2 | 37 |
| 5613 | Employment Services | 1.2% | 82 | \$35,200 | 12 | 28 | -1 | 39 |
| 4231 | Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Parts and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers | 1.1% | 75 | \$49,600 | 14 | 23 | 1 | 38 |
| 3261 | Plastics Product Manufacturing | 1.1% | 73 | \$43,500 | 11 | 26 | 3 | 41 |
| 3332 | Industrial Machinery Manufacturing | 1.0% | 66 | \$47,700 | 9 | 22 | -4 | 27 |
| 3391 | Medical Equipment and Supplies Manufacturing | 1.0% | 65 | \$48,300 | 10 | 23 | 2 | 35 |
| 3327 | Machine Shops; Turned Product; and Screw, Nut, and Bolt Manufacturing | 0.9% | 64 | \$41,900 | 10 | 23 | 3 | 35 |
| 3334 | Ventilation, Heating, Air-Conditioning, and Commercial Refrigeration Equipment Manufacturing | 0.9% | 60 | \$47,700 | 8 | 19 | -4 | 24 |
| n/a | All Others | 16.5% | 1,117 | n/a | 173 | 375 | -2 | 547 |

Source: JobsEQ®

Data as of 2022Q3 except wages which are as of 2022. Note that occupation-by-industry wages represent adjusted national data and may not be consistent with regional, all-industry occupation wages shown elsewhere in JobsEQ.

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Talent Demand Detail

Employment and Wage Overview

Of the three occupations found in the Collision Repair pathway, Coating, Painting, and Spraying Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders are uniquely concentrated in Minnesota to a higher degree than seen in the nation overall. On average, Collision Repair careers pay about \$54,100 per year (up from \$46,900 last year)—about \$9,600 below than the average wage statewide across all positions.

Collision Repair Pathway in Minnesota - Baseline Forecast, 2022Q3¹

| | | Current | | | | | | 1-Year History | | 1-Year Forecast | | 5-Year Baseline Forecast | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| SOC | Occupation | Empl | Avg Ann Wages ² | LQ | Unempl | Online Job Rate | Ads ³ | Empl Change | Ann % | Empl Change | Ann % | Total Demand | Exits | Transfers | Empl Change | Ann % Change |
| 51-9124 | Coating, Painting, and Spraying Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders | 3,535 | \$51,200 | 1.17 | 96 | 2.7% | 197 | 122 | 3.6% | -4 | 0.1% | 1,720 | 527 | 1,212 | -19 | -0.1% |
| 49-3021 | Automotive Body and Related Repairers | 2,863 | \$58,300 | 0.93 | 74 | 2.5% | 132 | 25 | 0.9% | -4 | -0.1% | 1,347 | 554 | 810 | -18 | -0.1% |
| 49-3022 | Automotive Glass Installers and Repairers | 359 | \$48,800 | 1.00 | 7 | 1.9% | 38 | 2 | 0.6% | 0 | 0.1% | 169 | 47 | 121 | 2 | 0.1% |
| Collision Repair Pathway | | 6,757 | \$54,100 | 1.05 | 177 | 2.6% | 367 | 150 | 2.3% | -7 | -0.1% | 3,236 | 1,128 | 2,142 | -34 | -0.1% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 169,085 | 91,312 | 3.1% | 9,139 | 0.3% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |

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The Collision Repair pathway saw some significant wage gains across the pathway, with average wages rising by \$7,200 from prior estimates.² Entry-level wages in the pathways exceed the average entry-level wages observed across all occupations statewide, paying an average of \$37,900 annually for entry-level talent.

Occupation Wages, Average Annual in Minnesota, 2022Q3

| | | | | | Percentiles | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| SOC | Occupation | Mean | Entry Level | Experienced | 10% | 25% | 50% (Median) | 75% | 90% |
| 49-3021 | Automotive Body and Related Repairers | \$58,300 | \$40,300 | \$67,300 | \$37,700 | \$45,400 | \$52,500 | \$63,300 | \$79,100 |
| 49-3022 | Automotive Glass Installers and Repairers | \$48,800 | \$38,600 | \$53,900 | \$37,300 | \$41,800 | \$48,000 | \$53,600 | \$60,900 |
| 51-9124 | Coating, Painting, and Spraying Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders | \$51,200 | \$35,800 | \$58,900 | \$33,900 | \$40,000 | \$48,400 | \$59,000 | \$67,800 |
| Collision Repair Pathway | | \$54,100 | \$37,900 | \$62,200 | \$35,700 | \$42,400 | \$50,100 | \$60,600 | \$72,300 |
| Total - All Occupations | | \$63,700 | \$31,400 | \$79,800 | \$29,100 | \$35,700 | \$49,800 | \$75,000 | \$108,400 |

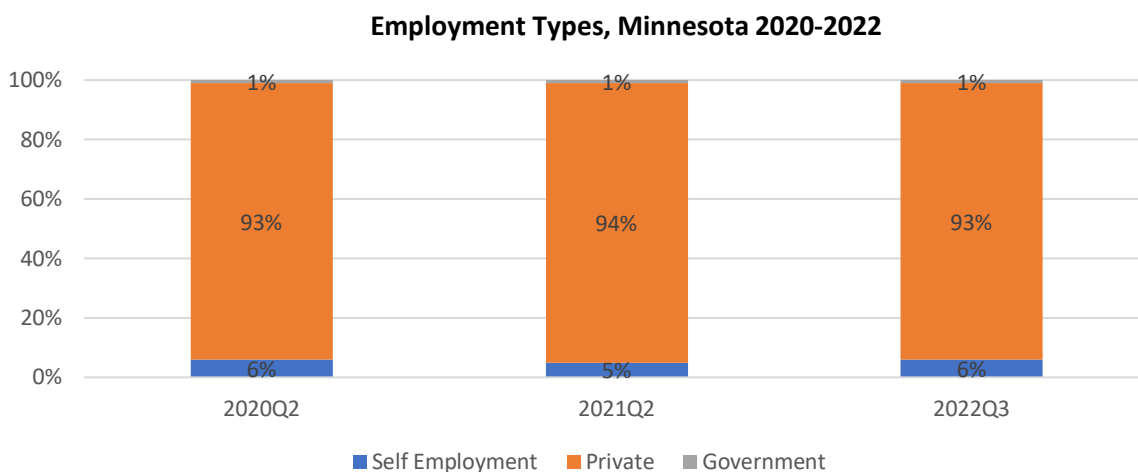
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¹ Methodology for estimating wages changed between the 2021 and 2022 reports and are new as of the 2022Q3 dataset used here. They are estimated for the most current quarter of data available (2022Q3) using a combination of data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and Chmura RTI wages, and no longer lag by a calendar year.

Employment Types

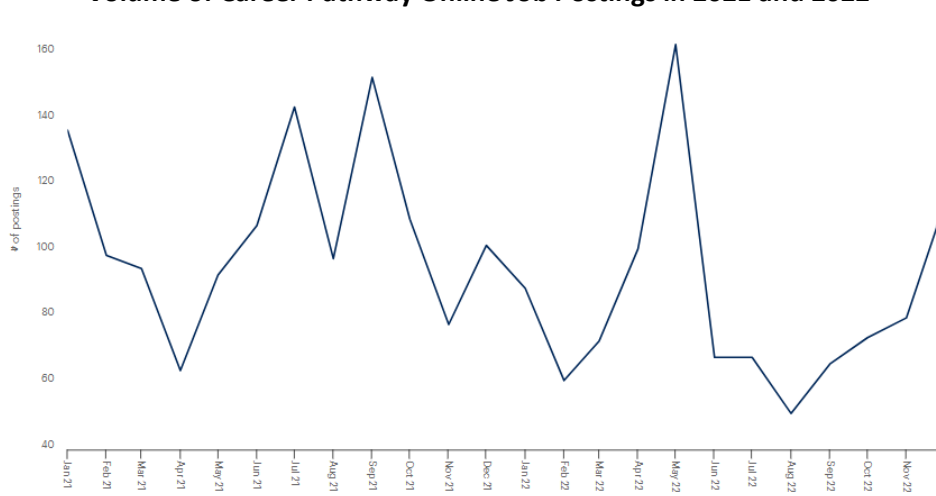
About 93% of people employed in Collision Repair careers in Minnesota work for private employers, while an estimated 6% are self-employed (a slight increase from 2021). The remaining 1% work for state, federal, or local government entities.



Job Posting Trends

Data in this section focuses on jobs newly advertised between January 1 and December 31, 2022 in Collision Repair roles across Minnesota. Volume of total job postings, employer types (direct versus staffing), and top employers by unique job posting volumes comes from Gartner TalentNeuron; industry detail, skill and certification analysis, wage trends, and posting to hire analysis are from the Lightcast 2022Q4 dataset. Overall, there were 1,008 new jobs advertised in Collision Repair during this time frame, a drop of -21% from the prior 12-month period (2021), following what had been a 79% increase between 2020 and 2021. The share of posted positions advertised by staffing and temp agencies in the Collision Repair pathway increased in 2021 compared to 2020, implying dramatic increases in challenges finding talent in this career pathway and direct employers resorting to using new strategies to find talent, but dropped again in 2022 as the market cools. Posted wages increased to a median hourly rate of \$22.46 as of 2022, and there was only one hire per every two unique job postings advertised based on Lightcast estimates.

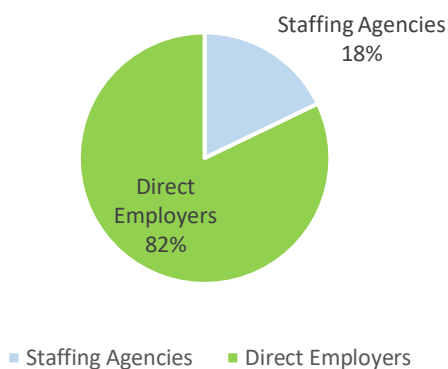
Volume of Career Pathway Online Job Postings in 2021 and 2022



Top Employers by Volume of New Job Postings, With Change from Prior Year

| Employer | | Percent Change between 2021 and 2022 |
|----------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Caliber Collision Centers | -52% |
| 2. | Safelite | 331% |
| 3. | GPAC | 57% |
| 4. | Safelite Autoglass | -63% |
| 5. | Express Employment Professionals | -22% |
| 6. | Walser Collision And Glass | 19% |
| 7. | Aerotek | 38% |
| 8. | Dent Wizard | 450% |
| 9. | Atlas Staffing Inc | 100% |
| 10. | Humanity | 0% |

New Job Postings Advertised in Minnesota by Employer Type

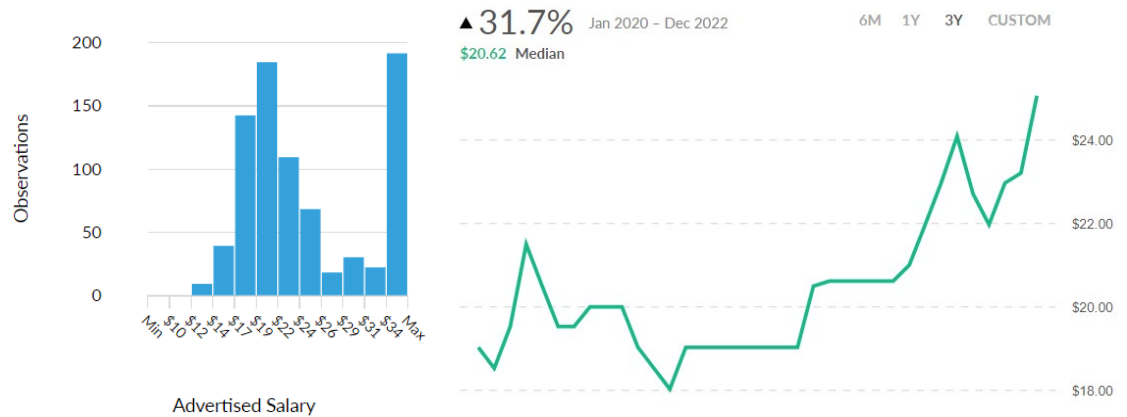


New Job Postings by Industry or Employer Type

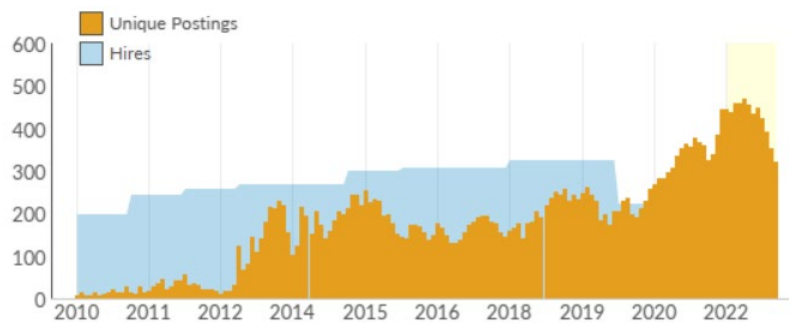
| Industry | Total/Unique (Jan 2022 - Dec 2022) | Posting Intensity | Median Posting Duration |
|--|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Other Services (except Public Administration) | 1,240 / 483 | 3 : 1 | 37 days |
| Manufacturing | 574 / 270 | 2 : 1 | 32 days |
| Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services | 842 / 267 | 3 : 1 | 34 days |
| Retail Trade | 429 / 142 | 3 : 1 | 35 days |
| Wholesale Trade | 305 / 63 | 5 : 1 | 33 days |
| Construction | 100 / 56 | 2 : 1 | 31 days |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 63 / 39 | 2 : 1 | 26 days |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 42 / 16 | 3 : 1 | 44 days |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 12 / 10 | 1 : 1 | 25 days |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 34 / 9 | 4 : 1 | 42 days |

Pathway Advertised Salary Range

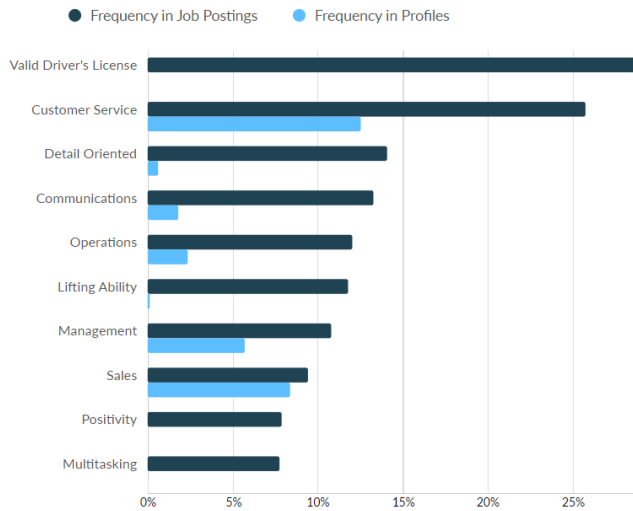
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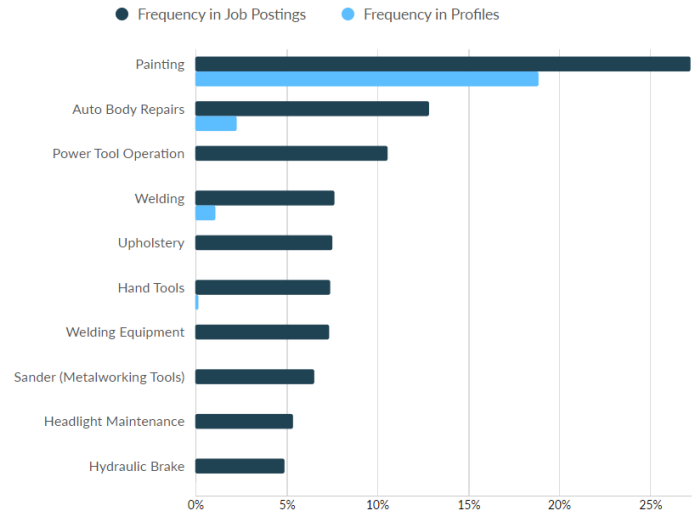
Monthly Ratio of Unique Job Postings to Estimated Hires



Top Common Skills



Top Specialized Skills



Top Certifications and Qualifications

| Qualification | Postings with Qualification |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Certification | 69 |
| HVAC Certification | 17 |
| Commercial Driver's License (CDL) | 12 |
| Security Clearance | 11 |
| Forklift Certification | 5 |
| ASE Parts Specialist | 2 |
| Board Certified/Board Eligible | 2 |
| CompTIA A+ | 2 |
| 30-Hour OSHA General Industry Card | 1 |
| CDL Class B License | 1 |

Talent Supply Detail

Talent Unemployment, Underemployment, and Educational Attainment

At an overall pathway unemployment rate of 2.6%, there are about 177 unemployed Collision Repair professionals statewide. An additional 463 Collision Repair professionals are underemployed, meaning they are working in roles for which they are overqualified by education or experience.

Collision Repair Pathway in Minnesota

| | | Empl (Place of Residence) | | | | | | | | Overall Occupation ¹ | | |
|---------|---|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| SOC | Occupation | < High School | High School | Some College | 2-Year | 4-Year | Master's | PhD | Total Empl | Underemployed | Unemployed | Unempl Rate |
| 49-3021 | Automotive Body and Related Repairers | 13.6% | 46.4% | 17.0% | 16.9% | 5.2% | 0.7% | 0.2% | 2,836 | 279 | 96 | 2.5% |
| 49-3022 | Automotive Glass Installers and Repairers | 10.3% | 52.3% | 25.2% | 6.9% | 4.6% | 0.2% | 0.6% | 355 | 165 | 74 | 1.9% |
| 51-9124 | Coating, Painting, and Spraying Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders | 12.3% | 47.4% | 18.2% | 13.1% | 7.4% | 1.4% | 0.2% | 3,484 | 19 | 7 | 2.7% |
| | Collision Repair Pathway | 12.7% | 47.2% | 18.1% | 14.4% | 6.3% | 1.0% | 0.2% | 6,674 | 463 | 177 | 2.6% |
| | Total - All Occupations | 4.9% | 21.1% | 15.4% | 14.1% | 30.4% | 10.3% | 3.8% | 2,944,602 | 511,822 | 68,550 | 2.3% |

Source: JobsEQ®

Data as of 2022Q3 unless noted otherwise

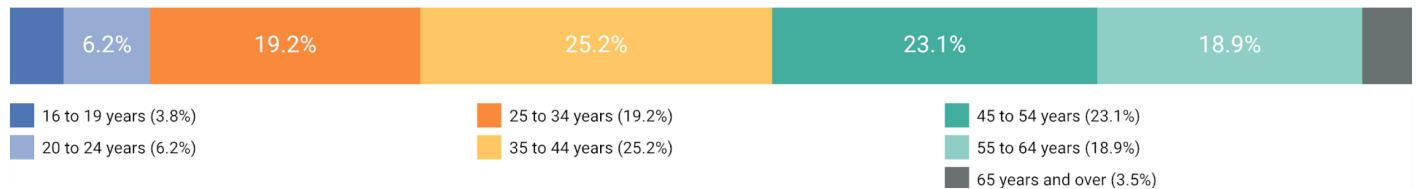
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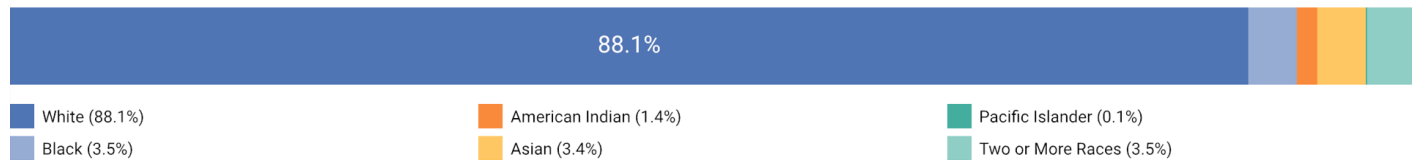
Workforce Demographics

About 10% of the Automotive Technology workforce is under the age of 25, and 3.5% are over 64 years old. The largest demographic group by race are White, representing 88.1% of the total pathway's workforce, with the next largest cohort being Black talent and Multiracial talent each representing 3.5% of the workforce. About 8.5% of the pathway's workforce are Hispanic or Latinx and 6.3% are female.

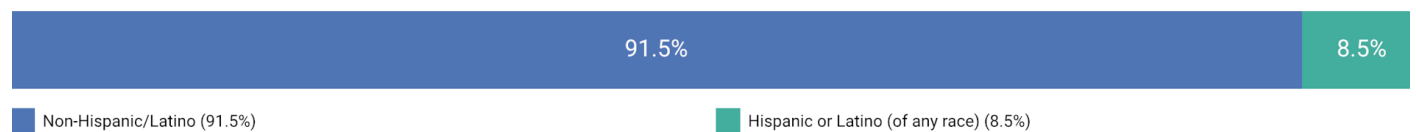
Collision Repair Workforce Age Demographics, 2022Q3



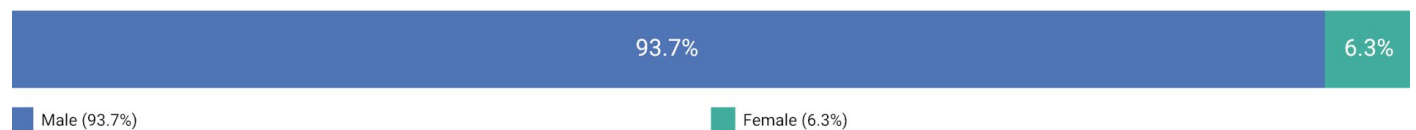
Collision Repair Workforce Race Demographics, 2022Q3



Collision Repair Workforce Ethnicity Demographics, 2022Q3



Collision Repair Workforce Gender Demographics, 2022Q3



Graduate Demographics

There is only one postsecondary program directly aligned to the Collision Repair pathway. There is an overrepresentation of male students and there are no international students in the Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician programs with completions in SY2021.³ The Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician program is more diverse than some of the other transportation programs with 42% of program graduates being BIPOC.

Race and Gender of Graduates Receiving Postsecondary Awards in SY2021, Minnesota

| CIP Code | Description | All 2021 Graduates | International Student* | Black or African American, non-Hispanic | American Indian or Alaska Native | Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | Hispanic or Latino | White, non-Hispanic | Multiple or unknown race/ethnicity | Gender - Males | Gender - Females |
|----------|---|--------------------|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 47.0603 | Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician | 161 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 15 | 29 | 93 | 9 | 139 | 22 |
| | All Collision Repair Postsecondary Programs | 161 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 15 | 29 | 93 | 9 | 139 | 22 |

IPEDS SY2021 demographics by award conferred. Count of awards may double count individuals who obtained multiple credentials in the same calendar year. *[NCES IPEDS](https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-definitions) refers to international students that do not have resident status in the United States as “nonresident aliens.” This title aligns to Federal tax definitions and according to NCES IPEDS refers to “a person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who is in this country on a visa or temporary basis and does not have the right to remain indefinitely. Note: Nonresident aliens are reported separately, rather than in any of the racial/ethnic categories.” They are not included in calculations of BIPOC talent in this report as race and ethnicity information is not provided for these international students. The terminology of “international student” has been used in this report as it is more familiar to a common audience. <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-definitions>. For more information, view this article from Berkeley on tax filing status of international students. <https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/taxes/tax-filing-status>

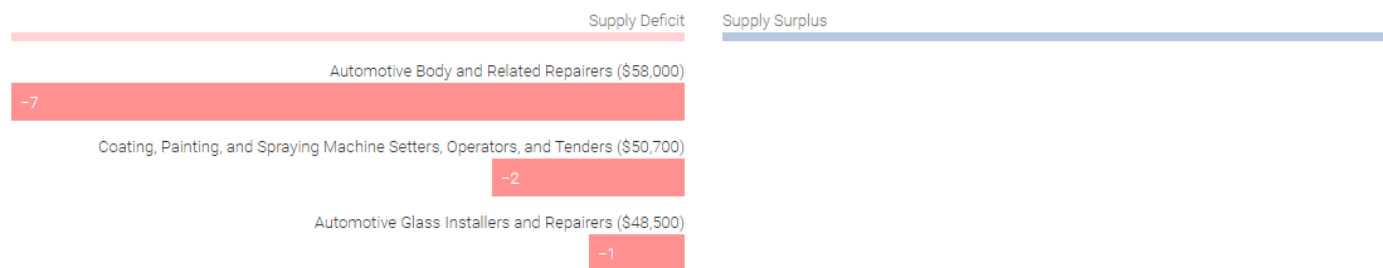
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Talent Gap Analysis

Occupation Gaps

By 2027, it is likely that Minnesota will see a growing shortage of Auto Body Repairers, Coating, Painting, and Spraying Machine Setter, Operators and Tenders, and Automotive Glass Installers and Repairers (shown in red below). The estimated annual shortage in each of these occupations has worsened since 2021 estimates.

Estimated Occupation Gaps over Five Years in Minnesota



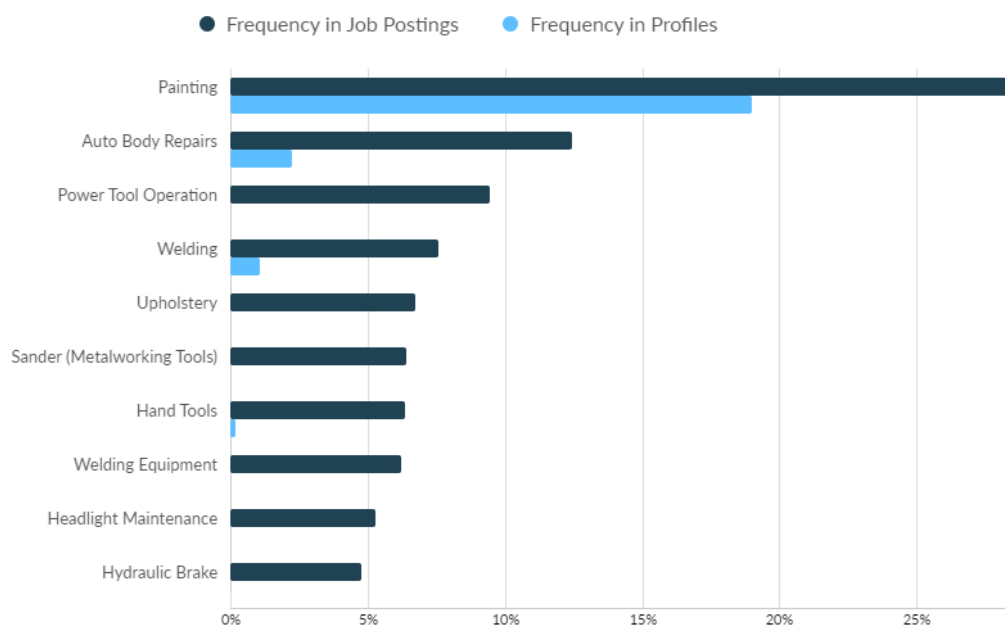
Award Gaps

There are no award gaps associated with the Collision Repair pathway. This occupation does not typically require a 2-year degree or higher, and Minnesota postsecondary institutions are not underproducing credentials for Collision Repair professionals.

Skill Misalignments

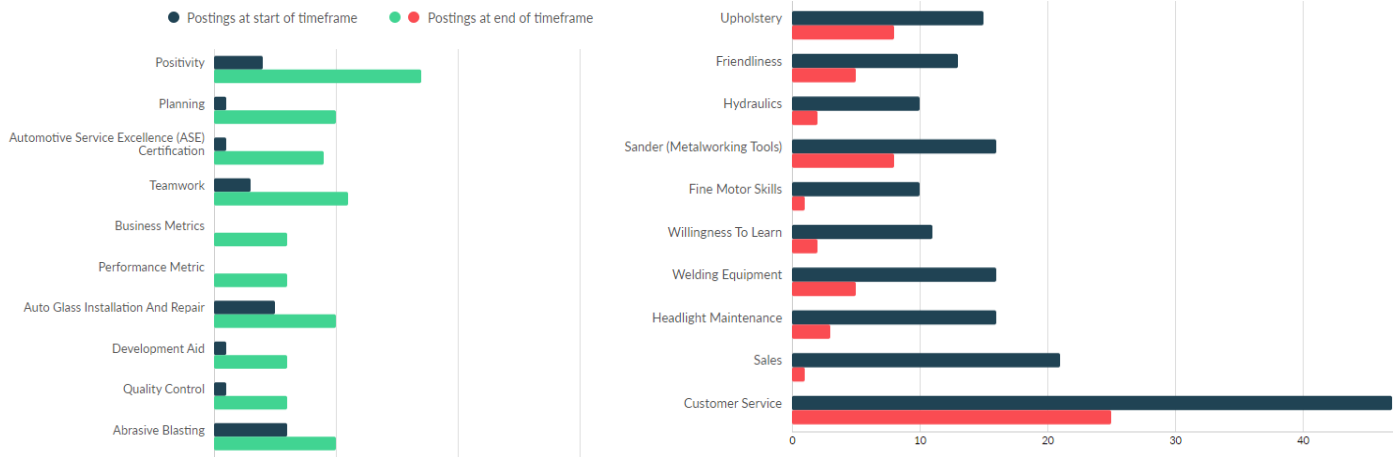
All specialized skills are more frequently found in job postings than in candidate profiles found online. Painting, Auto Body Repairs, Welding, and Hand Tools are all named more frequently in Collision Repair talent profiles online than they are mentioned in job postings.

Percent of Pathway Job Postings and Online Talent Profiles Indicating Specialized Skills in Minnesota, 2022



Several baseline requirements, such as positivity, teamwork, planning, and auto glass installation and repair, and quality control have been trending up at the close of 2022. The chart below indicates skills that have increased in frequency in online job postings between January and December 2022 (shown in green) and those that have declined in frequency (shown in red).

Pathway Hot and Cold Skills in Demand in Minnesota, 2022

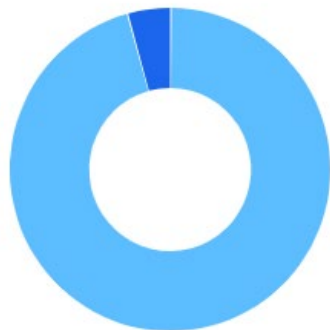


High Need, High Demand Pathways

There were about 161 awards conferred at 10 different Minnesota postsecondary institutions in programs aligned to Collision Repair careers in SY2021. Among, these 113 were certificates that could be earned in less than two years, 27 were at the Associate level, and 21 were certificates that could be earned in more than two years, but less than four years. The average school had about 16 completions, but range from two to 77 completions. No programs were delivered remotely.

Collision Repair Postsecondary Program Awards by Level, SY2021








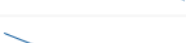


| CIP Code | Title | Certificate < 1 Yr | Certificate 1+ but < 2 Yr | Associate's | Certificate 2+ but < 4 Yr | Bachelor's | Master's | Doctorate | Total Awards |
|----------|---|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 47.0603 | Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician | 76 | 37 | 27 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 161 |
| | Total | 76 (47.2%) | 37 (23.0%) | 27 (16.8%) | 21 (13.0%) | 0 (0.0%) | 0 (0.0%) | 0 (0.0%) | 161 (100%) |



| Institution Type | Completions (2021) | Market Share |
|---|--------------------|--------------|
| Public, 2-year | 154 | 95.7% |
| Private not-for-profit, 4-year or above | 7 | 4.3% |

Nearly all of the awards (95.7%) were conferred by public 2-year institutions. Just seven awards were conferred by private not-for-profit 4-year or above institutions. Completions are down overall by -12.5% from 2012.

Collision Repair Postsecondary Program Awards by Institution, SY2021

| Institution | Completions (2021) | Growth % YOY (2021) | Market Share (2021) | IPEDS Tuition & Fees (2021) | Completions Trend (2017-2021) |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Hennepin Technical College | 77 | 140.6% | 47.8% | \$5,741 |  |
| Northland Community and Technical College | 17 | 88.9% | 10.6% | \$6,052 |  |
| Century College | 16 | -5.9% | 9.9% | \$5,907 |  |
| Lake Superior College | 16 | 128.6% | 9.9% | \$5,616 |  |
| Dakota County Technical College | 10 | -23.1% | 6.2% | \$6,208 |  |
| Ridgewater College | 10 | 150.0% | 6.2% | \$5,914 |  |
| Dunwoody College of Technology | 7 | 133.3% | 4.3% | \$23,863 |  |
| St Cloud Technical and Community College | 4 | -63.6% | 2.5% | \$5,874 |  |
| Minnesota State College Southeast | 2 | -60.0% | 1.2% | \$6,562 |  |
| South Central College | 2 | -75.0% | 1.2% | \$5,966 |  |

While there are no award gaps for the Collision Repair pathway, there are talent shortages in each of the three occupations associated with the Collision Repair pathway. There is an opportunity for exploration of certificate, or 2-year program growth or development given local employer demand.

Promising Approaches to Addressing Possible Misalignments

A variety of strategies may improve the outlook for transportation talent in need. In the Collision Repair pathway, most occupations have low talent diversity by race and gender. All occupations in the Collision Repair pathway also have a lower share of their workforce that is over 45 years of age.

Postsecondary programs aligned to the Collision Repair pathway are not underproducing graduates in comparison to national benchmarks. However, all the occupations in the Collision Repair pathway are experiencing talent shortages, a low share of female workers and graduates, but have more diverse graduates by race and ethnicity. Coating, Painting, and Spraying Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders have the highest volume of employment. Automotive Body and Related Repairers have the next highest volume of employment and the largest projected occupation gap.

Postsecondary Strategy Summary Table, Minnesota 2022

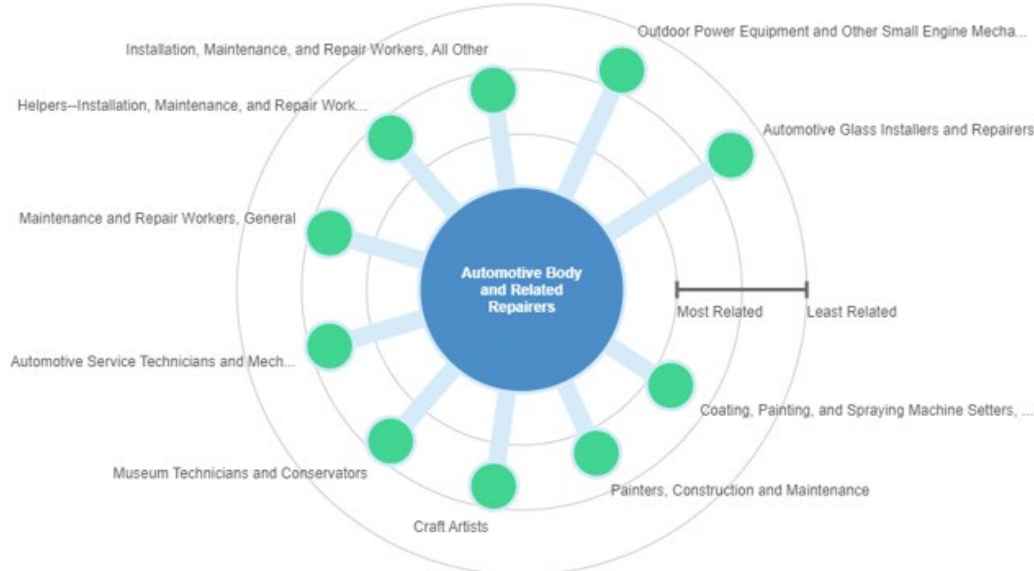
| Occupation | Related Programs* | 2022Q3 Empl | Talent Shortage | Workforce BIPOC by Race | Workforce Hispanic/Latinx | Workforce Female | Workforce Under 45 | SY2021 Graduates (Certificate and AA/AS only) | Award Gap (All Award Levels)** | Graduates BIPOC by Race or Ethnicity (All Award Levels) | Graduates Female (All Award Levels) |
|---|---|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Coating, Painting, and Spraying Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders | • Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician | 3,535 | Y | 9.3% | 8.2% | 2.9% | 52.7% | 161 | N | 42.2% | 13.7% |
| Automotive Body and Related Repairers | • Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician | 2,863 | Y | 12.3% | 5.5% | 5.3% | 55.2% | 161 | N | 42.2% | 13.7% |
| Automotive Glass Installers and Repairers | • Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician | 359 | Y | 14.0% | 9.0% | 9.1% | 55.7% | 161 | N | 42.2% | 13.7% |
| Collision Repair Pathway | All aligned programs | 6,757 | Y | 11.9% | 8.5% | 6.3% | 54.4% | 161 | N | 42.2% | 13.7% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 3,038,766 | | 15.0% | 5.2% | 48.3% | 56.5% | 29,484 | | 37.3% | 65.6% |

NOTE: Red highlighting indicates lower than overall share of workforce or graduate pool, or existence of occupation or award gap. *Related programs may overlap among occupations within the pathway or across other Transportation career pathways. Only those programs most tightly aligned to the occupation in question are listed in this column. **Award gaps are estimated based on a wider alignment of programs than what is illustrated in this table.

Career Pathway Opportunities

When considering occupations that have significant skill and experience overlap with the occupations of highest need in this pathway, the majority have low employment numbers or are other careers in the Transportation sector that share high demand. The graphic below offers several careers related to the Collision Repair occupation in skill demands that have highly relevant skill and experience overlap that would be strong feeder occupations for talent.

Feeder Occupations into Automotive Body and Related Repairer Roles, 2023Q1



| Occupation | Category | Relevance | Avg. Unique Monthly Postings from Jan 2022 - Dec 2022 | Mean Salary Diff. |
|---|---------------------|-----------|---|-------------------|
| Coating, Painting, and Spraying Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders | Lateral Advancement | 83% | 38 | -\$13,683 |
| Painters, Construction and Maintenance | Lateral Advancement | 81% | 87 | -\$11,701 |
| Craft Artists | Lateral Advancement | 67% | 2 | -\$6,668 |
| Museum Technicians and Conservators | Lateral Advancement | 65% | 3 | -\$7,771 |
| Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics | Advancement | 65% | 560 | -\$5,774 |
| Maintenance and Repair Workers, General | Lateral Advancement | 65% | 1,210 | -\$10,354 |
| Helpers--Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers | Lateral Advancement | 65% | 63 | -\$18,161 |
| Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers, All Other | Lateral Advancement | 64% | 41 | -\$8,416 |
| Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engine Mechanics | Advancement | 34% | 4 | -\$14,832 |
| Automotive Glass Installers and Repairers | Advancement | 28% | 7 | -\$12,984 |

FAQ

What is a location quotient?

A location quotient (LQ) is a measurement of concentration in comparison to the nation. An LQ of 1.00 indicates a region has the same concentration of an industry (or occupation) as the nation. An LQ of 2.00 would mean the region has twice the expected employment compared to the nation and an LQ of 0.50 would mean the region has half the expected employment in comparison to the nation.

What is a cluster?

A cluster is a geographic concentration of interrelated industries or occupations. If a regional cluster has a location quotient of 1.25 or greater, the region is considered to possess a competitive advantage in that cluster.

What is separation demand?

Separation demand is the number of jobs required due to separations—labor force exits (including retirements) and turnover resulting from workers moving from one occupation into another. Note that separation demand does not include all turnover—it does not include when workers stay in the same occupation but switch employers. The total projected demand for an occupation is the sum of the separation demand and the growth demand (which is the increase or decrease of jobs in an occupation expected due to expansion or contraction of the overall number of jobs in that occupation).

What is the difference between industry wages and occupation wages?

Industry wages and occupation wages are estimated via separate data sets, often the time periods being reported do not align, and wages are defined slightly differently in the two systems (for example, certain bonuses are included in the industry wages but not the occupation wages). It is therefore common that estimates of the average industry wages and average occupation wages in a region do not match exactly.

What is NAICS?

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is used to classify business establishments according to the type of economic activity. The NAICS Code comprises six levels, from the “all industry” level to the 6-digit level. The first two digits define the top level category, known as the “sector,” which is the level examined in this report.

What is SOC?

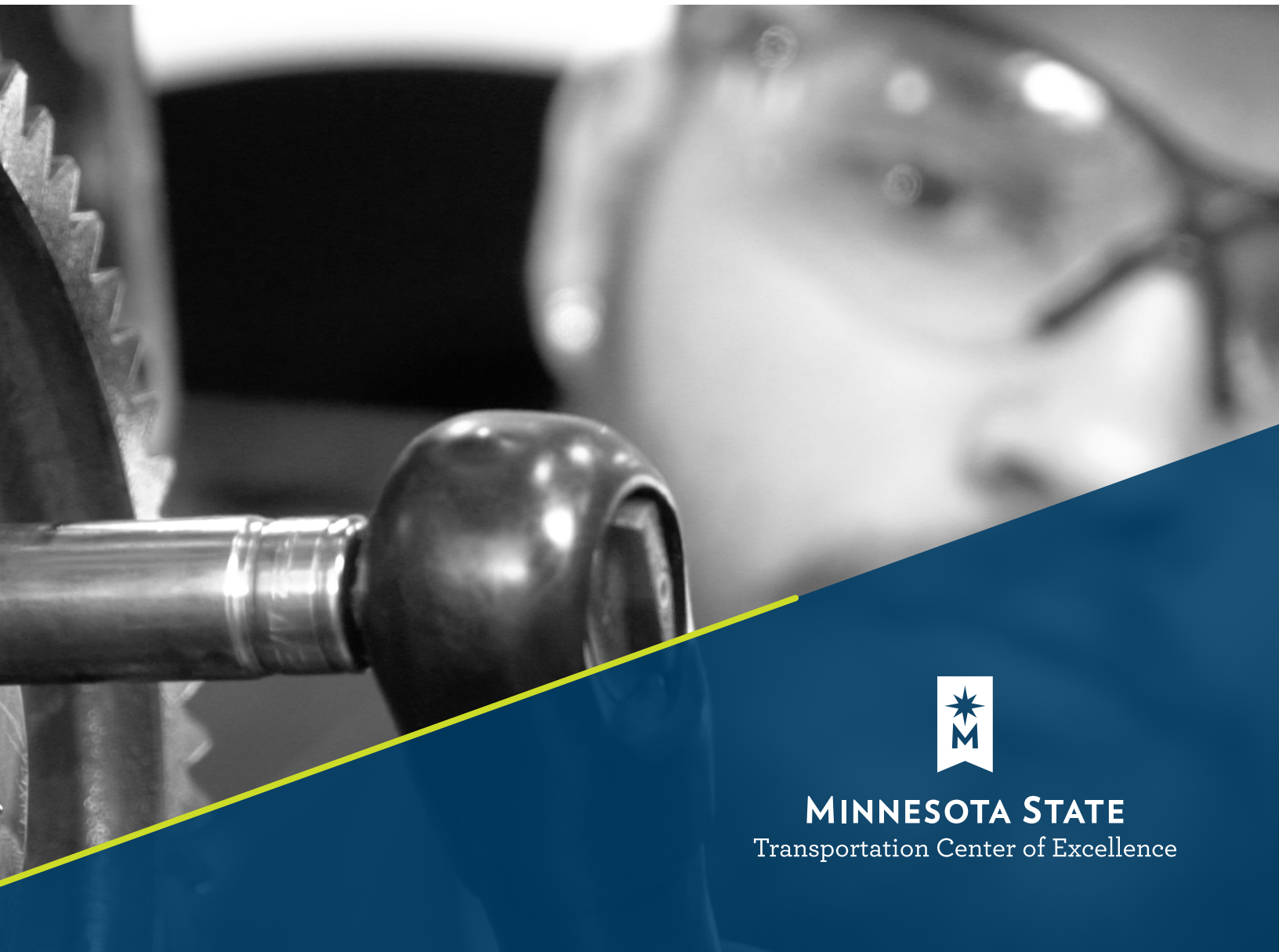
The Standard Occupational Classification system (SOC) is used to classify workers into occupational categories. All workers are classified into one of over 804 occupations according to their occupational definition. To facilitate classification, occupations are combined to form 22 major groups, 95 minor groups, and 452 occupation groups. Each occupation group includes detailed occupations requiring similar job duties, skills, education, or experience.

Who created this report?

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Introduction and Sector Overview

This report highlights the importance of the Diesel, Equipment, and Truck career pathway for Minnesota's Transportation Industry. Professionals in Diesel, Equipment, and Truck careers work as Truck Mechanics, Diesel Specialists, Crane Operators, and Farm Equipment Mechanics serving a variety of industries. In all, about 12,518 people work in Diesel Equipment and Truck roles in Minnesota as of the third quarter of 2022—down about 371 workers from a year prior.

Overall employment in Minnesota has grown by nearly 118,000 workers (4.0%) between the second quarter of 2021 and the third quarter of 2022, and the five-year forecast recovered to 45,970 expansion of employment over five years as of the most current baseline forecasts, or about 0.3% average annual growth. During this time frame, Diesel, Equipment, and Truck pathway employment is anticipated to grow moderately by about 192 jobs (0.3% annually). Total baseline demand for Diesel, Equipment, and Truck talent is anticipated to be around 6,135 professionals needed to fill positions due to job exits and transfers, such as retirements and job changes.

Transportation Pathways in Minnesota – Baseline Forecast, 2022Q3¹

| Occupation | Current | | | | | | 5-Year History | | 5-Year Baseline Forecast | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Empl | Avg Ann Wages ² | LQ | Unempl | Unempl Rate | Online Job Ads ³ | Empl Change | Ann % | Total Demand | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Ann % Growth |
| Automotive Technology Pathway | 21,227 | \$66,900 | 1.02 | 387 | 1.8% | 1,183 | -819 | -0.8% | 8,677 | 3,181 | 5,821 | -279 | -0.4% |
| Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway | 9,162 | \$115,200 | 0.86 | 139 | 1.5% | 313 | -531 | -1.1% | 4,615 | 1,584 | 2,945 | 86 | 0.2% |
| Collision Repair Pathway | 6,757 | \$54,100 | 1.05 | 177 | 2.6% | 359 | -44 | -0.1% | 3,236 | 1,128 | 2,142 | -34 | -0.1% |
| Diesel Equipment and Truck Pathway | 12,518 | \$61,900 | 1.06 | 230 | 1.8% | 593 | -458 | -0.7% | 6,135 | 2,048 | 3,894 | 192 | 0.3% |
| Marine and Power Sports Pathway | 4,799 | \$46,200 | 0.95 | 205 | 4.2% | 75 | 95 | 0.4% | 3,046 | 1,062 | 1,946 | 38 | 0.2% |
| Truck Driving Pathway* | 98,845 | \$51,200 | 0.93 | 2,607 | 2.6% | 6,446 | 5,748 | 1.2% | 63,838 | 27,225 | 34,298 | 2,315 | 0.5% |
| Transportation Occupations | 145,613 | \$58,000 | 0.96 | 3,444 | 2.4% | 8,585 | 1,899 | 0.3% | 84,921 | 33,955 | 48,916 | 2,050 | 0.3% |
| Total - All Occupations | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 170,185 | -11,615 | -0.1% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |

*This pathway includes School Bus Driver careers as of 2022, which were not included in the 2020 or 2021 estimates of career pathway employment or demand.

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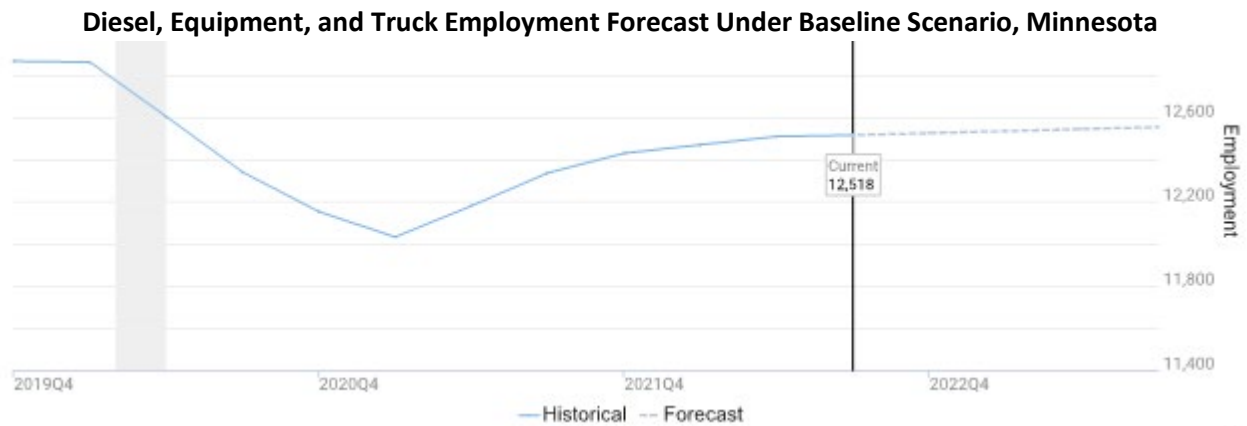
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Minnesota saw a strong job market throughout 2022 and elevated recruitment among employers across most sectors. As the available talent pool was exhausted, unemployment rates dropped dramatically across critical roles and in many scenarios demand far outpaced talent supply. Forecasting future needs under current conditions with an eye to anticipated talent pipelines into Diesel, Equipment, and Truck careers suggest that there may be shortages of talent across a large share of occupations in this career pathway unless more talent decides to enter the field. The pathway forecast now shows a 0.3% growth in overall employment by the second quarter of 2027. This is up from last year's baseline estimates of 0.0%.



Industry/Occupation Mix

Diesel, Equipment, and Truck talent is primarily concentrated in the Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers Industry (16.9%), decreasing in concentration in 2021 by 1.5 percentage points. The next highest industry of employment concentration is General Freight Trucking (8.9%), followed by Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Parts and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers (5.1%). These top industries also account for the most total demand for this talent over the next ten years.

Top Industry Distribution for Diesel, Equipment, and Truck Pathway Occupations in Minnesota

| NAICS Code | Industry Title | CURRENT | | 10-YEAR DEMAND | | | | |
|------------|---|---------------|-------|----------------|-------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| | | % of Occ Empl | Empl | Avg Ann Wages | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Total Demand |
| 4238 | Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers | 16.9% | 2,117 | \$53,000 | 709 | 1,383 | 209 | 2,300 |
| 4841 | General Freight Trucking | 8.9% | 1,116 | \$57,900 | 360 | 639 | -41 | 958 |
| 4231 | Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Parts and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers | 5.1% | 636 | \$60,600 | 222 | 390 | 78 | 689 |
| 8111 | Automotive Repair and Maintenance | 4.8% | 603 | \$54,500 | 199 | 351 | 5 | 556 |
| 4854 | School and Employee Bus Transportation | 4.5% | 566 | \$53,100 | 193 | 340 | 43 | 576 |
| 2389 | Other Specialty Trade Contractors | 4.5% | 561 | \$66,900 | 175 | 385 | 9 | 568 |
| 9211 | Executive, Legislative, and Other General Government Support | 3.5% | 442 | \$58,900 | 145 | 263 | 5 | 413 |
| 2122 | Metal Ore Mining | 3.5% | 437 | \$68,900 | 136 | 283 | -11 | 408 |
| 2373 | Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction | 3.4% | 432 | \$63,100 | 140 | 285 | 18 | 443 |
| 4842 | Specialized Freight Trucking | 2.6% | 322 | \$57,900 | 105 | 187 | -5 | 287 |
| 2123 | Nonmetallic Mineral Mining and Quarrying | 2.2% | 277 | \$58,600 | 86 | 193 | -3 | 277 |
| 2371 | Utility System Construction | 2.2% | 271 | \$56,500 | 89 | 193 | 27 | 309 |
| 5621 | Waste Collection | 1.9% | 241 | \$57,700 | 81 | 144 | 12 | 236 |
| 4882 | Support Activities for Rail Transportation | 1.9% | 241 | \$63,800 | 75 | 147 | -15 | 207 |
| 4851 | Urban Transit Systems | 1.8% | 222 | \$62,600 | 74 | 131 | 8 | 214 |
| 8113 | Commercial and Industrial Machinery and Equipment (except Automotive and Electronic) Repair and Maintenance | 1.7% | 217 | \$56,800 | 70 | 131 | -2 | 199 |
| 5321 | Automotive Equipment Rental and Leasing | 1.6% | 200 | \$54,600 | 67 | 119 | 11 | 197 |
| 6111 | Elementary and Secondary Schools | 1.5% | 189 | \$57,600 | 63 | 111 | 4 | 178 |
| 4821 | Rail Transportation | 1.5% | 185 | \$85,700 | 59 | 116 | 2 | 178 |
| 5511 | Management of Companies and Enterprises | 0.8% | 104 | \$61,600 | 34 | 62 | 1 | 97 |
| n/a | All Others | 25.1% | 3,141 | n/a | 1,016 | 1,940 | 34 | 2,990 |

Source: JobsEQ®
Data as of 2022Q3 except wages which are as of 2022. Note that occupation-by-industry wages represent adjusted national data and may not be consistent with regional, all-industry occupation wages shown elsewhere in JobsEQ.
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Talent Demand Detail

Employment and Wage Overview

Of all occupations found in the Diesel, Equipment, and Truck pathway, Farm Equipment Mechanics are particularly concentrated in Minnesota, with nearly double the concentration locally than seen in the nation overall. On average, careers in this pathway pay about \$61,900—about \$1,800 below than the average wage statewide across all positions. Demand was high over the past year, seeing employment growth of 1.5% since the third quarter of 2021. Employment will likely continue to grow statewide by about 0.3% through the third quarter of 2023.

Diesel, Equipment, and Truck Pathway in Minnesota – Baseline Forecast, 2022Q3¹

| | | Current | | | | | | 1-Year History | | 1-Year Forecast | | 5-Year Baseline Forecast | | | | |
|---------|---|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| SOC | Occupation | Empl | Avg Ann Wages ² | LQ | Unempl | Unempl Rate | Online Job Ads ³ | Empl Change | Ann % | Empl Change | Ann % | Total Demand | Exits | Transfers | Empl Change | Ann % Change |
| 49-3031 | Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists | 6,739 | \$61,500 | 1.19 | 142 | 2.1% | 536 | 132 | 2.0% | 12 | 0.2% | 3,149 | 1,120 | 1,968 | 62 | 0.2% |
| 49-3042 | Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines | 2,209 | \$67,100 | 0.74 | 27 | 1.2% | 3 | 50 | 2.3% | 16 | 0.7% | 1,162 | 365 | 718 | 80 | 0.7% |
| 49-3041 | Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians | 1,718 | \$53,600 | 1.98 | 22 | 1.3% | 25 | 54 | 3.3% | 8 | 0.5% | 873 | 280 | 551 | 41 | 0.5% |
| 47-5022 | Excavating and Loading Machine and Dragline Operators, Surface Mining | 695 | \$65,700 | 0.95 | 5 | 0.8% | 5 | -54 | -7.3% | 1 | 0.1% | 362 | 108 | 251 | 3 | 0.1% |
| 49-3043 | Rail Car Repairers | 455 | \$60,200 | 1.14 | 5 | 1.2% | 12 | -11 | -2.3% | 0 | -0.1% | 214 | 73 | 143 | -1 | -0.1% |
| 53-7021 | Crane and Tower Operators | 381 | \$75,900 | 0.43 | 13 | 3.2% | 10 | 12 | 3.2% | 1 | 0.2% | 205 | 54 | 148 | 3 | 0.2% |
| 47-5023 | Earth Drillers, Except Oil and Gas | 321 | \$57,400 | 0.98 | 16 | 4.9% | 2 | -3 | -1.0% | 1 | 0.2% | 169 | 50 | 116 | 3 | 0.2% |
| | Diesel Equipment and Truck Pathway | 12,518 | \$61,900 | 1.06 | 230 | 1.8% | 593 | 180 | 1.5% | 38 | 0.3% | 6,135 | 2,048 | 3,894 | 192 | 0.3% |
| | Total - All Occupations | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 170,185 | 91,312 | 3.1% | 9,139 | 0.3% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

Data as of 2021Q2 unless noted otherwise

Note: Figures may not sum due to rounding.

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Diesel, Equipment, and Truck careers saw some significant wage gains across the pathway, with average wages rising by about \$6,000 from prior estimates.¹ Entry-level wages in the pathways exceed the average entry-level wages observed across all occupations statewide, paying an average of \$46,400 annually for entry-level talent.

Occupation Wages, Average Annual in Minnesota, 2022Q3

| | | | | | Percentiles | | | | |
|---------|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| SOC | Occupation | Mean | Entry Level | Experienced | 10% | 25% | 50% (Median) | 75% | 90% |
| 47-5022 | Excavating and Loading Machine and Dragline Operators, Surface Mining | \$65,700 | \$48,300 | \$74,300 | \$45,800 | \$54,200 | \$65,800 | \$77,600 | \$84,500 |
| 47-5023 | Earth Drillers, Except Oil and Gas | \$57,400 | \$40,800 | \$65,700 | \$38,800 | \$45,800 | \$57,500 | \$65,300 | \$72,000 |
| 49-3031 | Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists | \$61,500 | \$46,600 | \$68,900 | \$45,200 | \$50,500 | \$59,900 | \$71,400 | \$82,000 |
| 49-3041 | Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians | \$53,600 | \$39,400 | \$60,600 | \$36,800 | \$44,600 | \$51,700 | \$61,400 | \$66,500 |
| 49-3042 | Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines | \$67,100 | \$51,700 | \$74,800 | \$48,800 | \$57,500 | \$65,700 | \$76,300 | \$84,300 |
| | Diesel Equipment and Truck Pathway | \$61,900 | \$46,400 | \$69,600 | \$44,400 | \$51,200 | \$60,400 | \$71,300 | \$80,500 |
| | Total - All Occupations | \$63,700 | \$31,400 | \$79,800 | \$29,100 | \$35,700 | \$49,800 | \$75,000 | \$108,400 |

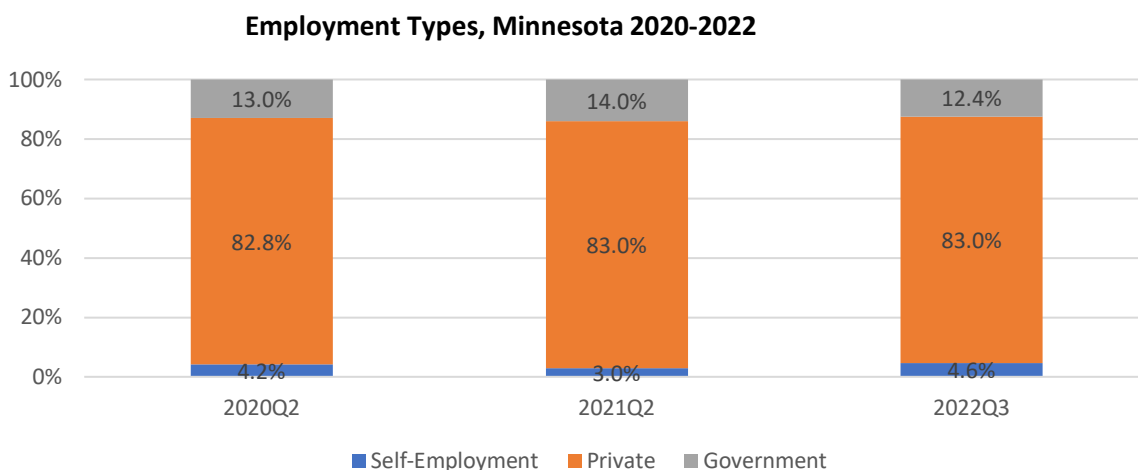
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¹ Methodology for estimating wages changed between the 2021 and 2022 reports and are new as of the 2022Q3 dataset used here. They are estimated for the most current quarter of data available (2022Q3) using a combination of data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and Chmura RTI wages, and no longer lag by a calendar year.

Employment Types

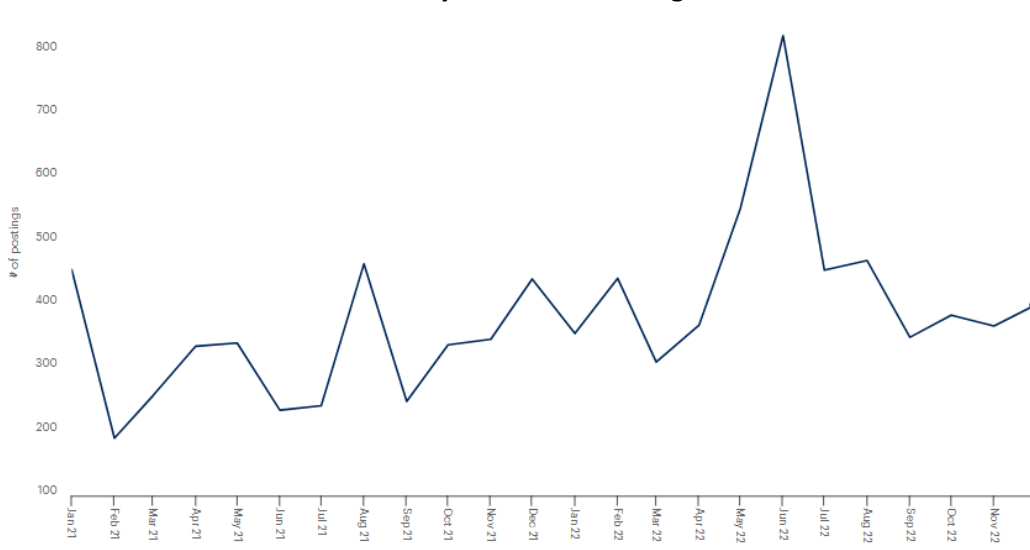
About 83% of people employed in Diesel, Equipment, and Truck careers in Minnesota work for private employers, while an estimated 4.6% are self-employed (a slight increase from 2021). The remaining 12.4% work for state, federal, or local government entities (a slight decrease from 2021).



Job Posting Trends

Data in this section focuses on jobs newly advertised between January 1 and December 31, 2022 in Diesel, Equipment, and Truck roles across Minnesota. Volume of total job postings, employer types (direct versus staffing), and top employers by unique job posting volumes comes from Gartner TalentNeuron; industry detail, skill and certification analysis, wage trends, and posting to hire analysis are from the Lightcast 2022Q4 dataset. Overall, there were 5,272 new jobs advertised in Diesel, Equipment, and Truck pathway careers during this time frame, an increase of 36% from the prior 12-month period (2021). The share of posted positions advertised by staffing and temp agencies in the Diesel, Equipment, and Truck pathway increased again to 18% up from 10% in 2021, implying dramatic increases in challenges finding talent in this career pathway and direct employers resorting to using new strategies to find talent. Posted wages increased to an average \$28.03 per hour as of 2022, and there was only three hires per every one unique job posting advertised based on Lightcast estimates.

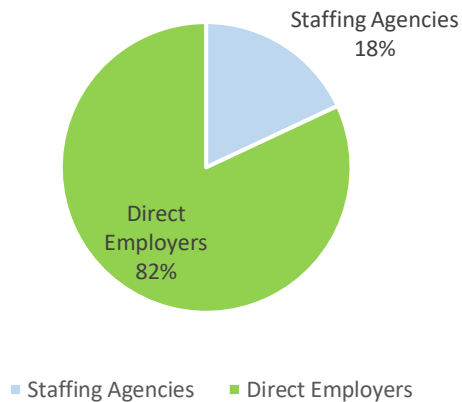
Volume of Career Pathway Online Job Postings in 2021 and 2022



Top Employers by Volume of New Job Postings, With Change from Prior Year

| Employer | | Percent Change between 2021 and 2022 |
|----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Labor Services | NA – New Entrant |
| 2. | Sysco | 27% |
| 3. | XPO Logistics, Inc. | 126% |
| 4. | United Natural Foods, Inc. | NA – New Entrant |
| 5. | Waste Connections | 0% |
| 6. | Waste Management | -40% |
| 7. | GPAC | 74% |
| 8. | Ryder | 149% |
| 9. | Republic Services, Inc. | 183% |
| 10. | Carvana | NA – New Entrant |

New Job Postings Advertised in Minnesota by Employer Type

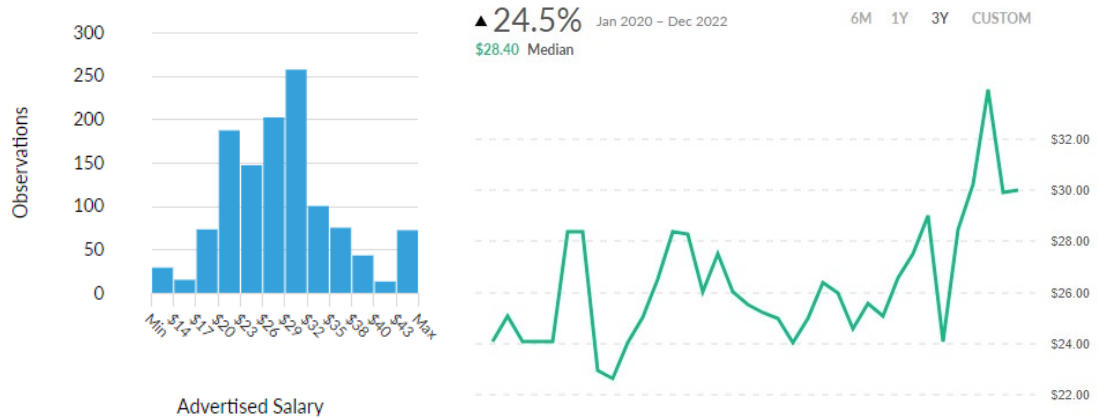


New Job Postings by Industry or Employer Type

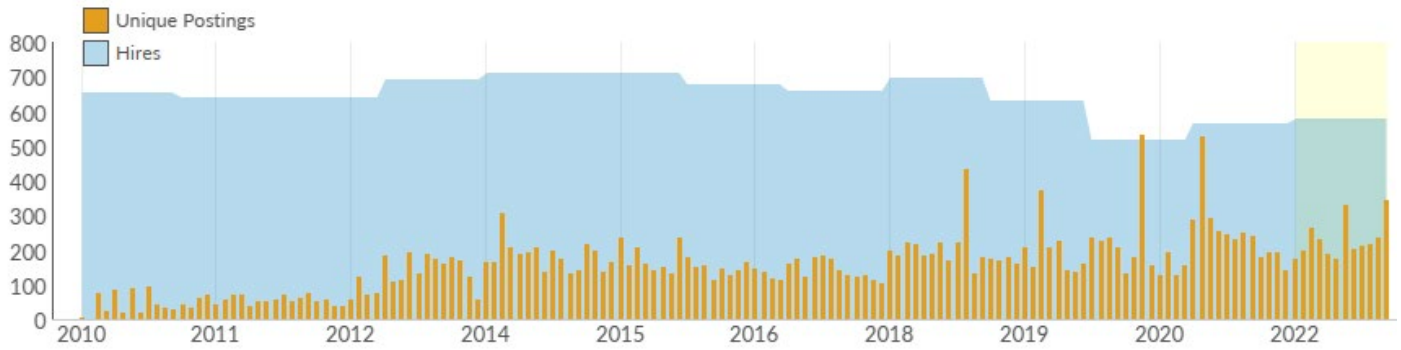
| Industry | Total/Unique (Jan 2022 - Dec 2022) | Posting Intensity | Median Posting Duration |
|--|--|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services | 917 / 442 | 2 : 1 | 31 days |
| Wholesale Trade | 1,265 / 373 | 3 : 1 | 31 days |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 1,753 / 343 | 5 : 1 | 20 days |
| Manufacturing | 565 / 231 | 2 : 1 | 33 days |
| Construction | 870 / 179 | 5 : 1 | 26 days |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 395 / 132 | 3 : 1 | 23 days |
| Retail Trade | 277 / 131 | 2 : 1 | 31 days |
| Other Services (except Public Administration) | 201 / 121 | 2 : 1 | 31 days |
| Information | 83 / 47 | 2 : 1 | 26 days |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 107 / 30 | 4 : 1 | 21 days |

Pathway Advertised Salary Range

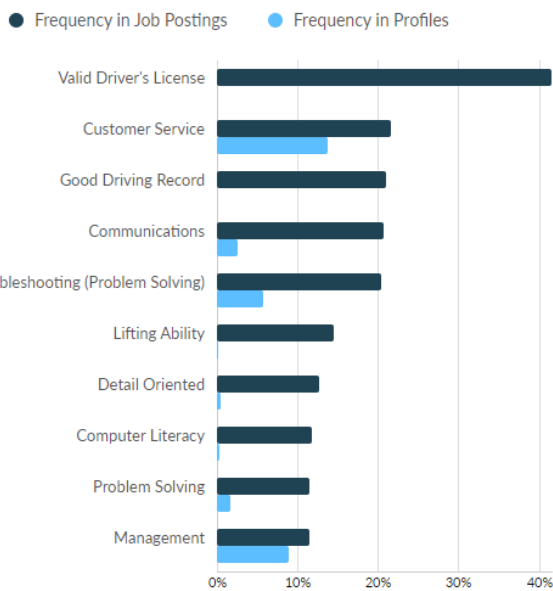
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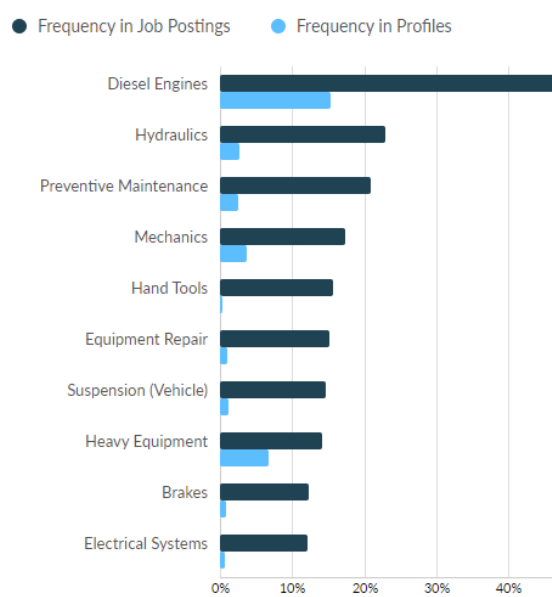
Monthly Ratio of Unique Job Postings to Estimated Hires



Top Common Skills



Top Specialized Skills



Top Certifications and Qualifications

| Qualification | Postings with Qualification |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Commercial Driver's License (CDL) | 407 |
| Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Certification | 267 |
| CDL Class A License | 151 |
| CDL Class B License | 79 |
| HVAC Certification | 56 |
| DOT Certification | 38 |
| 10-Hour OSHA General Industry Card | 32 |
| Forklift Certification | 26 |
| Tanker Endorsement | 23 |
| Product Certification | 21 |

Talent Supply Detail

Talent Unemployment, Underemployment, and Educational Attainment

At an overall pathway unemployment rate of 1.8%, there are about 230 unemployed Diesel Equipment Truck professionals statewide. An additional 743 Diesel Equipment Truck professionals are underemployed—meaning they are working in roles for which they are overqualified by education or experience.

Diesel, Equipment, and Truck Pathway in Minnesota

| | | Empl (Place of Residence) | | | | | | | | Overall Occupation ¹ | | |
|---|---|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| SOC | Occupation | < High School | High School | Some College | 2-Year | 4-Year | Master's | PhD | Total Empl | Underemployed | Unemployed | Unempl Rate |
| 47-5022 | Excavating and Loading Machine and Dragline Operators, Surface Mining | 11.4% | 53.0% | 17.6% | 10.8% | 6.9% | 0.2% | 0.2% | 685 | 46 | 5 | 0.8% |
| 47-5023 | Earth Drillers, Except Oil and Gas | 11.4% | 52.6% | 17.7% | 10.8% | 7.1% | 0.2% | 0.2% | 313 | 23 | 16 | 4.9% |
| 49-3031 | Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists | 7.3% | 42.0% | 19.4% | 24.9% | 5.6% | 0.6% | 0.2% | 6,562 | 394 | 142 | 2.1% |
| 49-3041 | Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians | 6.1% | 43.8% | 19.3% | 25.2% | 4.7% | 0.7% | 0.2% | 1,702 | 75 | 22 | 1.3% |
| 49-3042 | Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines | 6.3% | 42.9% | 19.9% | 24.1% | 5.6% | 0.9% | 0.3% | 2,158 | 139 | 27 | 1.2% |
| 49-3043 | Rail Car Repairers | 6.7% | 42.5% | 19.7% | 23.5% | 6.1% | 1.0% | 0.4% | 447 | 34 | 5 | 1.2% |
| 53-7021 | Crane and Tower Operators | 5.7% | 54.2% | 19.6% | 12.3% | 7.0% | 1.1% | 0.2% | 384 | 32 | 13 | 3.2% |
| Diesel Equipment and Truck Pathway | | 7.2% | 43.7% | 19.3% | 23.2% | 5.6% | 0.7% | 0.2% | 12,251 | 743 | 230 | 1.8% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 4.9% | 21.1% | 15.4% | 14.1% | 30.4% | 10.3% | 3.8% | 2,944,602 | 511822 | 65850 | 2.3% |

Source: JobsEQ®

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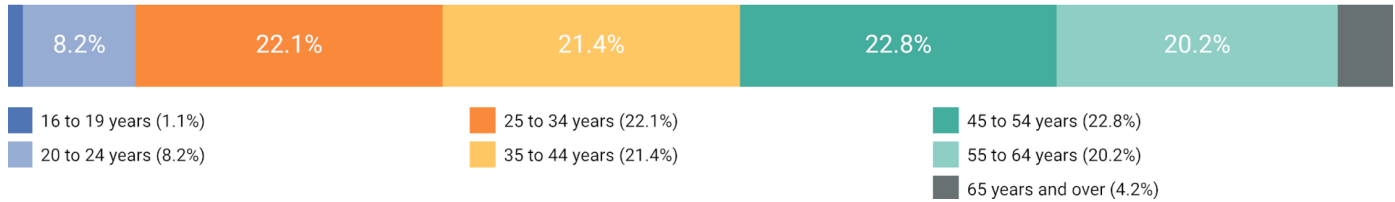
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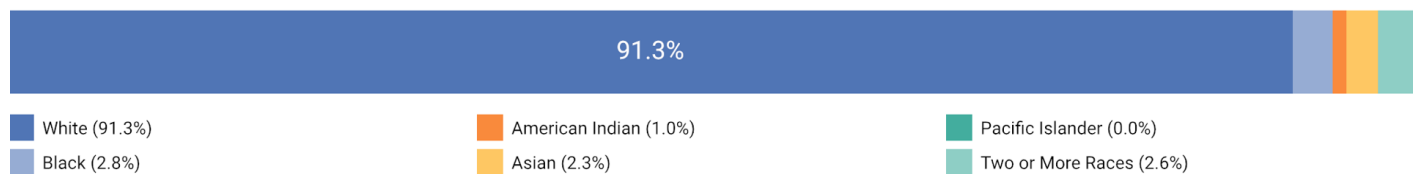
Workforce Demographics

About 9.3% of the Diesel Equipment Truck workforce is under the age of 25, and 4.2% are over 64 years old. The largest demographic group by race are White, representing 91.3% of the total pathway's workforce, with the next largest cohort Black talent representing 2.8% of the workforce. Nearly 5% of the pathway's workforce are Hispanic or Latinx, and less than 2% are female.

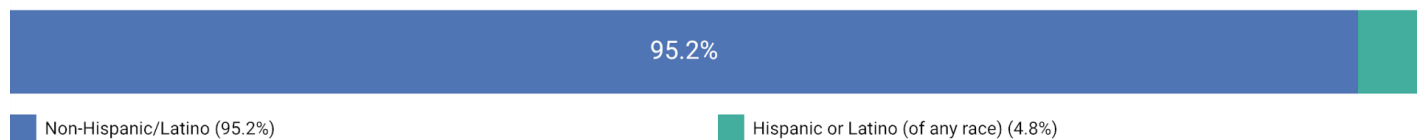
Diesel, Equipment, and Truck Workforce Age Demographics, 2022Q3



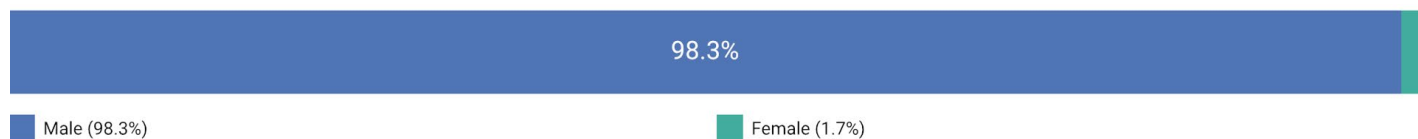
Diesel, Equipment, and Truck Workforce Race Demographics, 2022Q3



Diesel, Equipment, and Truck Workforce Ethnicity Demographics, 2022Q3



Diesel, Equipment, and Truck Workforce Gender Demographics, 2022Q3



Graduate Demographics

Postsecondary program diversity varies by program across the Diesel, Equipment, and Truck pathway. Medium/Heavy Vehicle and Truck Technology/Technician programs are the most diverse by race and ethnicity. However, all programs have an overrepresentation of male students.

Race and Gender of Graduates Receiving Postsecondary Awards in SY2021, Minnesota

| CIP Code | Description | All 2021 Graduates | International Student* | Black or African American, non-Hispanic | American Indian or Alaska Native | Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | Hispanic or Latino | White, non-Hispanic | Multiple or unknown race/ethnicity | Gender - Males | Gender - Females |
|--|--|--------------------|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 01.0201 | Agricultural Mechanization, General | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 01.0204 | Agricultural Power Machinery Operation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 01.0205 | Agricultural Mechanics and Equipment/Machine Technology/Technician | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| 47.0302 | Heavy Equipment Maintenance Technology/Technician | 30 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 25 | 1 | 28 | 2 |
| 47.0399 | Heavy/Industrial Equipment Maintenance Technologies/Technicians, Other | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 47.0605 | Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician | 93 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 86 | 1 | 89 | 4 |
| 47.0613 | Medium/Heavy Vehicle and Truck Technology/Technician | 75 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 4 | 47 | 6 | 68 | 7 |
| 49.0202 | Construction/Heavy Equipment/Earthmoving Equipment Operation | 80 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 78 | 1 | 80 | 0 |
| All Diesel, Equipment, and Truck Postsecondary Programs | | 289 | 0 | 10 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 247 | 9 | 276 | 13 |

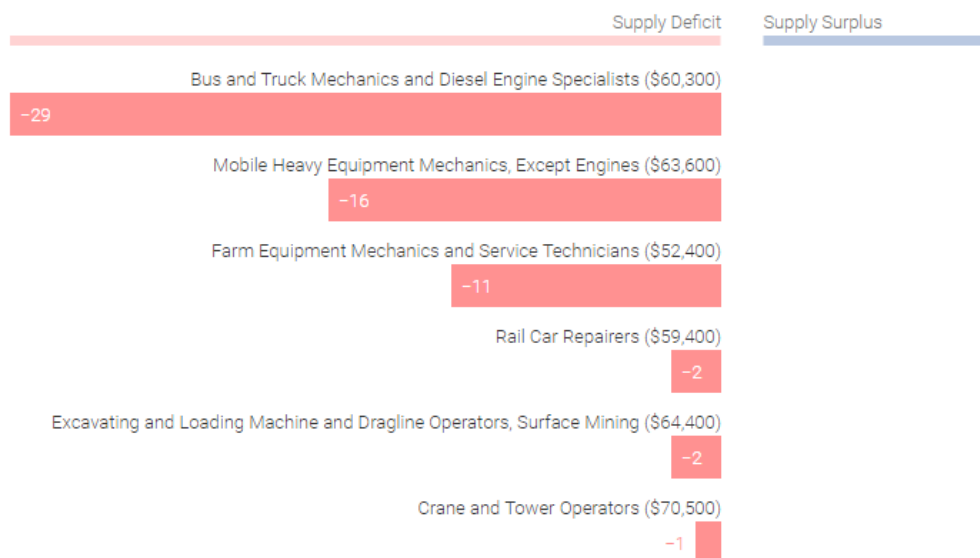
IPEDS SY2021 demographics by award conferred. Count of awards may double count individuals who obtained multiple credentials in the same calendar year. *[NCES IPEDS](#) refers to international students that do not have resident status in the United States as “nonresident aliens.” This title aligns to Federal tax definitions and according to NCES IPEDS refers to “a person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who is in this country on a visa or temporary basis and does not have the right to remain indefinitely. Note: Nonresident aliens are reported separately, rather than in any of the racial/ethnic categories.” They are not included in calculations of BIPOC talent in this report as race and ethnicity information is not provided for these international students. The terminology of “international student” has been used in this report as it is more familiar to a common audience. <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-definitions>. For more information, view this article from Berkeley on tax filing status of international students. <https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/taxes/tax-filing-status>

Talent Gap Analysis

Occupation Gaps

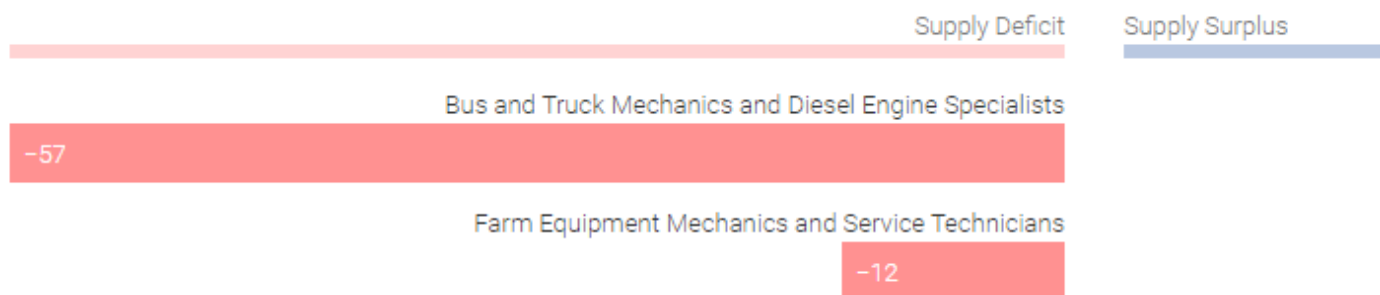
By 2027, it is likely that Minnesota will see a growing shortage of talent across all occupations in the Diesel, Equipment, and Truck pathway (shown in red below). The estimated annual shortage of Bus and Truck Mechanics in particular has worsened since 2021 estimates.

Estimated Occupation Gaps over Five Years in Minnesota



Award Gaps

Minnesota postsecondary institutions are underproducing credentials for Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists and Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians when compared to national benchmarks for how many awards are typically conferred per local demand. This award gap coupled with the talent shortages highlighted above suggest that increasing the volume of Bus and Truck Mechanics, Diesel Engine Specialists, and Farm Equipment Mechanics out of existing programs, or building new two- and four-year programs aligned to these occupations may be warranted.

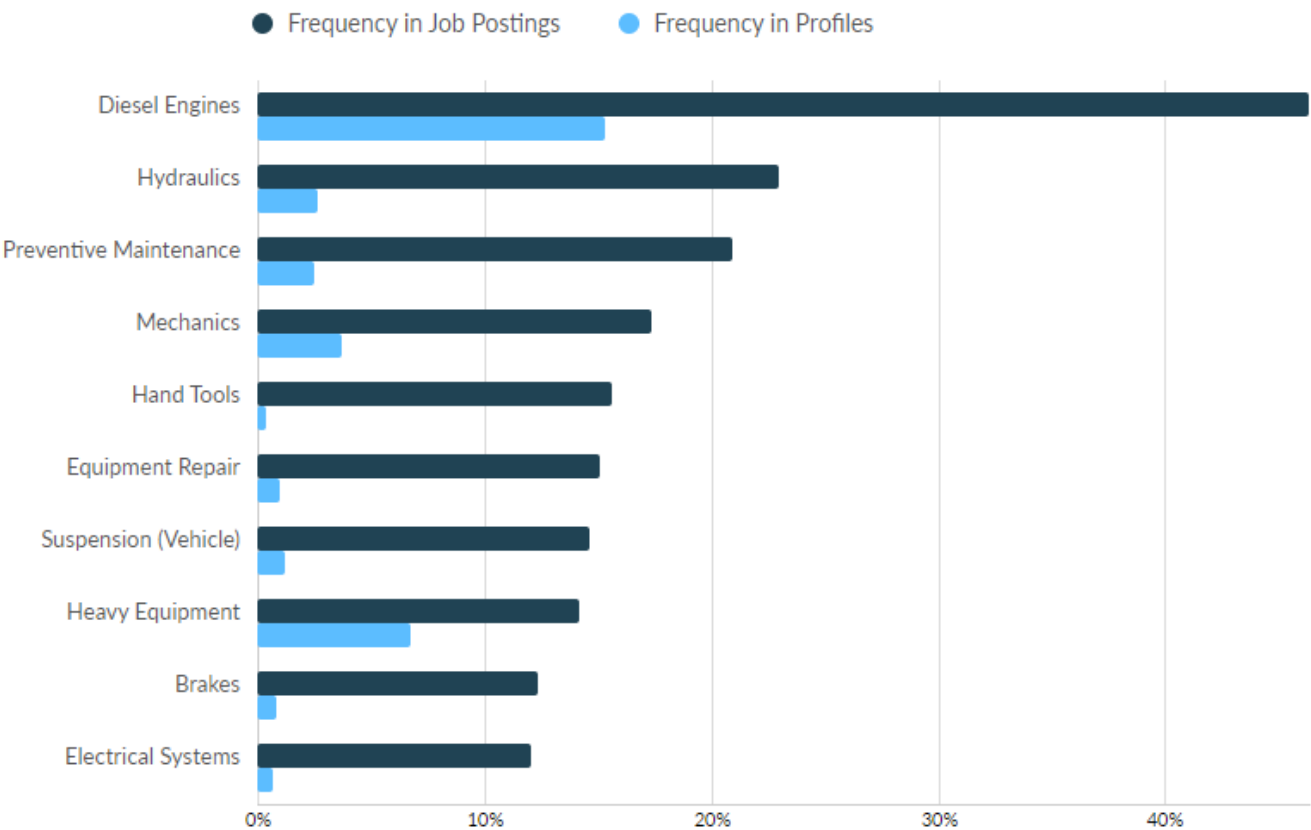


Skill Misalignments

All of these specialized skills are more frequent in job postings than in candidate profiles found online. Diesel Engines, Hydraulics, Preventative Maintenance, and Mechanics are all named more frequently in Diesel Equipment job postings than in the talent profiles of individuals currently employed or seeking work in these roles.

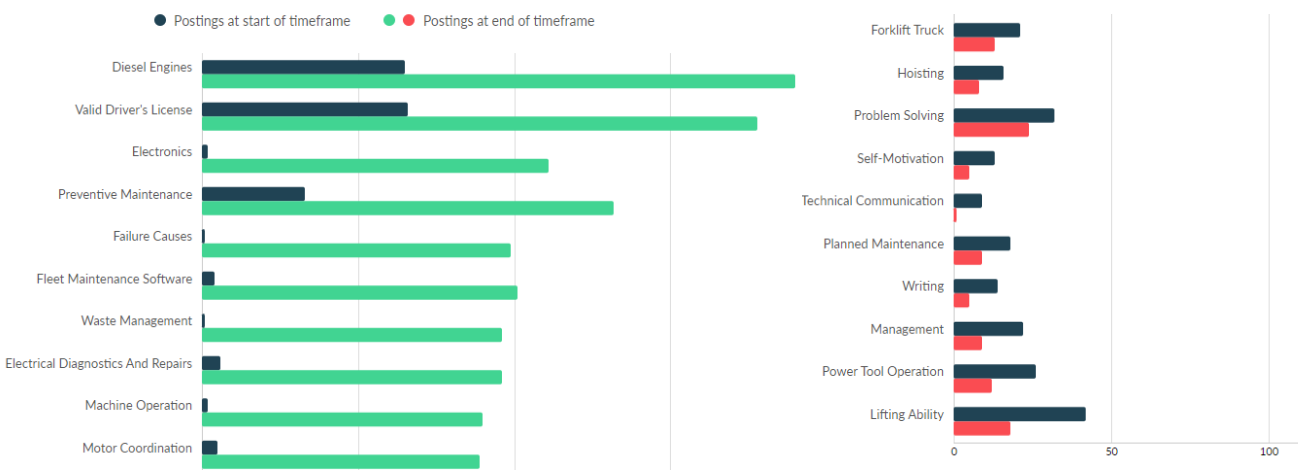
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Percent of Pathway Job Postings and Online Talent Profiles Indicating Specialized Skills in Minnesota, 2022



Several baseline requirements, such as holding a valid driver’s license, experience with diesel engines, knowledge of performing preventative maintenance, and electronics have been trending up at the close of 2022. The chart below indicates skills that have increased in frequency in online job postings between January and December 2022 (shown in green) and those that have declined in frequency (shown in red).

Pathway Hot and Cold Skills in Demand in Minnesota, 2022



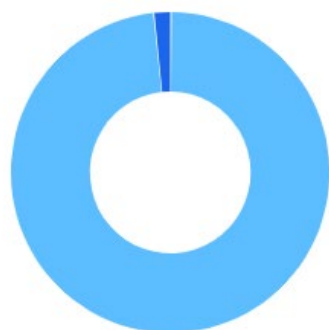
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High Need, High Demand Pathways

There were about 289 awards conferred at 14 different Minnesota postsecondary institutions in programs aligned to Diesel Equipment Truck careers in SY2021. Among these, 117 were at the Associate level, and 41 were certificates that could be earned in less than two years. The average school had about 20 completions, but range from two to 101 completions. No programs were delivered remotely.

Diesel Equipment Postsecondary Program Awards by Level, SY2021

| CIP Code | Title | Certificate < 1 Yr | Certificate 1+ but < 2 Yr | Associate's | Certificate 2+ but < 4 Yr | Bachelor's | Master's | Doctorate | Total Awards |
|----------|--|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 47.0605 | Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician | 3 | 33 | 43 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 93 |
| 49.0202 | Construction/Heavy Equipment/Earthmoving Equipment Operation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 80 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 80 |
| 47.0613 | Medium/Heavy Vehicle and Truck Technology/Technician | 0 | 4 | 51 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 75 |
| 47.0302 | Heavy Equipment Maintenance Technology/Technician | 0 | 0 | 22 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30 |
| 01.0205 | Agricultural Mechanics and Equipment/Machine Technology/Technician | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 01.0201 | Agricultural Mechanization, General | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| 01.0204 | Agricultural Power Machinery Operation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Total | 3 (1.0%) | 38 (13.1%) | 117 (40.5%) | 126 (43.6%) | 5 (1.7%) | 0 (0.0%) | 0 (0.0%) | 289 |



| Institution Type | Completions (2021) | Market Share |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Public, 2-year | 284 | 98.3% |
| Public, 4-year or above | 5 | 1.7% |

All awards were conferred by public institutions, and all but five awards were conferred by public four-year institutions. Central Lake College-Brainerd had the largest number of completions in SY2021, comprising 34.9% of related awards conferred. Completions are up 3.6% from 2012.

Diesel Equipment Postsecondary Program Awards by Institution, SY2021

| Institution | Completions (2021) | Growth % YOY (2021) | Market Share (2021) | IPEDS Tuition & Fees (2021) | Completions Trend (2017-2021) |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Central Lakes College-Brainerd | 101 | 124.4% | 34.9% | \$5,954 | |
| Dakota County Technical College | 44 | -6.4% | 15.2% | \$6,208 | |
| Alexandria Technical & Community College | 33 | -10.8% | 11.4% | \$5,910 | |
| Hennepin Technical College | 27 | 58.8% | 9.3% | \$5,741 | |
| Minnesota West Community and Technical College | 23 | 0.0% | 8.0% | \$6,286 | |
| St Cloud Technical and Community College | 12 | -33.3% | 4.2% | \$5,874 | |
| Riverland Community College | 10 | -16.7% | 3.5% | \$6,060 | |
| Hibbing Community College | 10 | -9.1% | 3.5% | \$5,773 | |
| Saint Paul College | 9 | 50.0% | 3.1% | \$6,041 | |
| Minnesota State Community and Technical College | 6 | -57.1% | 2.1% | \$5,862 | |

The clearest gap in program offerings is for Farm Equipment Mechanics, which are both an area of talent shortages and where Minnesota institutions fall short of national award benchmarks. There were only six Certificate or Associate-level Agricultural Mechanics and Equipment Machine Technician graduates in the most recent school year and only five Bachelor's-level Agricultural Mechanization, General graduates in the most recent school year. There were no Agricultural Power Machinery Operation competitions. All three of these programs (CIP 01.0205, 01.0201, and 01.0204) are prime for exploration of certificate or two-year program growth or development given local employer demand.

Promising Approaches to Addressing Possible Misalignments

A variety of strategies may improve the outlook for diesel equipment talent in need. In the Diesel, Equipment, and Truck pathway, most occupations have low talent diversity by race and gender. Many also have a higher than average share of their workforce that is over 45 years of age.

Postsecondary programs aligned to Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians and Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists are underproducing graduates in comparison to national benchmarks. These two occupations are also experiencing talent shortages, a low share of female workers and graduates, and Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians have a low share of BIPOC graduates. Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists have the highest volume of employment and the highest number related graduates; there were 79 diesel graduates specifically from Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician programs in Minnesota during the 2021 school year, plus another 55 graduates of Medium/Heavy Vehicle and Truck Technology/Technician programs—both of which are counted in the table below.

Postsecondary Strategy Summary Table, Minnesota 2022

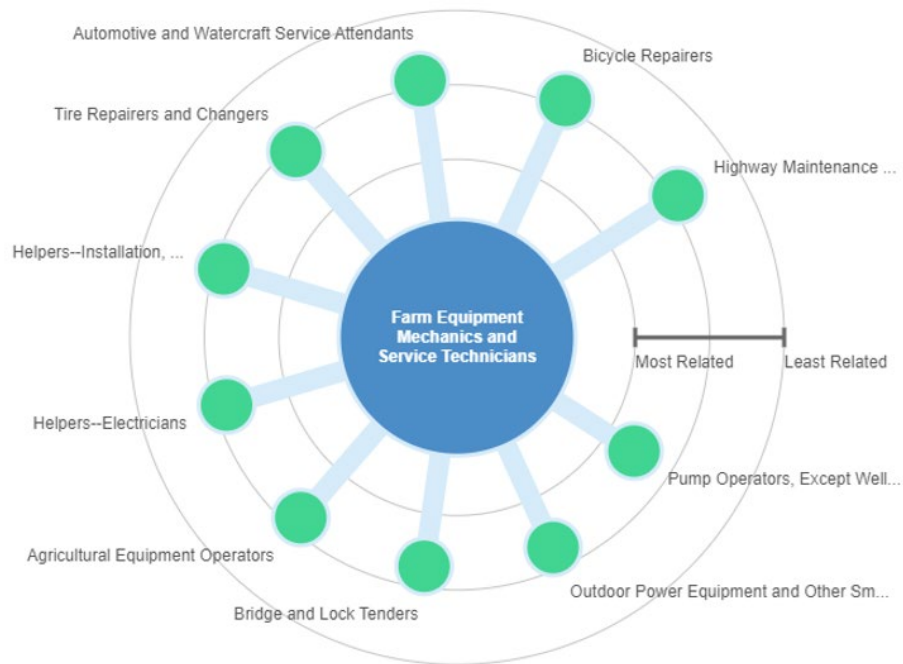
| Occupation | Related Programs* | 2022Q3 Empl | Talent Shortage | Workforce BIPOC by Race | Workforce Hispanic/Latinx | Workforce Female | Workforce Under 45 | SY2021 Graduates (Certificate and AA/AS only) | Award Gap (All Award Levels)** | Graduates BIPOC by Race or Ethnicity (All Award Levels) | Graduates Female (All Award Levels) |
|---|---|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Excavating and Loading Machine and Dragline Operators, Surface Mining | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction/Heavy Equipment/Earthmoving Equipment Operation | 685 | Y | 7.7% | 9.4% | 5.0% | 23.8% | 80 | N | 2.5% | 0% |
| Earth Drillers, Except Oil and Gas | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction/Heavy Equipment/Earthmoving Equipment Operation | 313 | Y | 8.1% | 9.5% | 5.3% | 53.3% | 80 | N | 2.5% | 0% |
| Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician Medium/Heavy Vehicle and Truck Technology/Technician | 6,562 | Y | 10.2% | 4.6% | 1.3% | 52.9% | 168 | Y | 44.8% | 13.6% |
| Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agricultural Mechanics and Equipment/Machine Technology/Technician Agricultural Mechanization, General Agricultural Power Machinery Operation | 1,702 | Y | 4.9% | 4.5% | 1.4% | 57.3% | 6 | Y | 0% | 0% |
| Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heavy Equipment Maintenance Technology/Technician Agricultural Mechanics and Equipment/Machine Technology/Technician | 2,158 | Y | 7.3% | 3.9% | 1.4% | 58.5% | 32 | N | 16.6% | 6.6% |
| Rail Car Repairers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heavy Equipment Maintenance Technology/Technician | 447 | Y | 10.2% | 4.5% | 1.5% | 59.5% | 30 | N | 16.6% | 6.6% |
| Crane and Tower Operators | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction/Heavy Equipment/Earthmoving Equipment Operation | 384 | Y | 7.7% | 1.4% | 1.4% | 42.6% | 80 | N | 2.5% | 0% |
| Diesel Equipment and Truck Pathway | All nine aligned programs | 12,251 | Y | 8.7% | 4.8% | 1.7% | 52.8% | 284 | Y | 14.5% | 4.5% |
| All Occupations | | 2,944,602 | | 15.0% | 5.2% | 48.3% | 56.5% | 29,484 | | 37.3% | 65.6% |

NOTE: Red highlighting indicates lower than overall share of workforce or graduate pool, or existence of occupation or award gap. *Related programs may overlap among occupations within the pathway or across other Transportation career pathways. Only those programs most tightly aligned to the occupation in question are listed in this column. **Award gaps are estimated based on a wider alignment of programs than what is illustrated in this table.

Career Pathway Opportunities

When considering occupations that have significant skill and experience overlap with the occupations of highest need in this pathway, the majority have low employment numbers or are other careers in the Diesel, Equipment, and Truck sector that share high demand. The graphic below offers several careers related to the Farm Equipment Mechanic occupation in skill demands that have highly relevant skill and experience overlap that would be strong feeder occupations for talent. Agricultural Equipment Operators is the most logical source for career advancement into Farm Equipment Mechanic roles.

Feeder Occupations into Farm Equipment Mechanic Roles, 2023Q1



| Occupation | Category | Relevance | Avg. Unique Monthly Postings from Jan 2022 - Dec 2022 | Mean Salary Diff. |
|--|---------------------|-----------|---|-------------------|
| Pump Operators, Except Wellhead Pumpers | Lateral Transition | 78% | 3 | +\$33 |
| Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engine Mechanics | Advancement | 65% | 4 | -\$8,592 |
| Bridge and Lock Tenders | Lateral Advancement | 64% | 1 | -\$9,288 |
| Agricultural Equipment Operators | Lateral Advancement | 59% | 12 | -\$14,163 |

Source: RealTime Talent analysis of Chmura Economics JobsEQ®, <http://www.chmuraecon.com/jobseq/>. Job Posting Trends section uses data from Gartner TalentNeuron Plan, accessed 1/18/2022 at talentneuronplan.gartner.com

MARINE & POWERSPORTS

Supply & Demand Analysis
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Introduction and Sector Overview

This report highlights key opportunities in the Marine and Power Sports career pathway for Minnesota's Transportation Industry. Professionals in Marine and Power Sports work in diverse roles from industrial equipment maintenance, outdoor power equipment maintenance, and small engine, motorboat, and motorcycle mechanics, serving a variety of industries. In all, about 4,799 people work in Marine and Power Sports roles in Minnesota as of the third quarter of 2022—a 4.2% increase (193 workers) from a year prior.

Overall employment in Minnesota has grown by nearly 118,000 workers (4.0%) between the second quarter of 2021 and the third quarter of 2022, and the five-year forecast recovered with a 45,970 expansion of employment over five years as of the most current baseline forecasts, or about 0.3% average annual growth. During this time frame, Marine and Power Sports employment is anticipated to remain relatively stable in Minnesota, rising by about 38 total jobs (0.2% annually) due to a tight talent pool. Total baseline demand for Marine and Power Sports talent is anticipated to be around 3,046 professionals needed to fill positions due to job exits and transfers, such as retirements and job changes.

Transportation Pathways in Minnesota – Baseline Forecast, 2022Q3¹

| Occupation | Current | | | | | | 5-Year History | | 5-Year Baseline Forecast | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Empl | Avg Ann Wages ² | LQ | Unempl | Unempl Rate | Online Job Ads ³ | Empl Change | Ann % | Total Demand | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Ann % Growth |
| Automotive Technology Pathway | 21,227 | \$66,900 | 1.02 | 387 | 1.8% | 1,183 | -819 | -0.8% | 8,677 | 3,181 | 5,821 | -279 | -0.4% |
| Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway | 9,162 | \$115,200 | 0.86 | 139 | 1.5% | 313 | -531 | -1.1% | 4,615 | 1,584 | 2,945 | 86 | 0.2% |
| Collision Repair Pathway | 6,757 | \$54,100 | 1.05 | 177 | 2.6% | 359 | -44 | -0.1% | 3,236 | 1,128 | 2,142 | -34 | -0.1% |
| Diesel Equipment and Truck Pathway | 12,518 | \$61,900 | 1.06 | 230 | 1.8% | 593 | -458 | -0.7% | 6,135 | 2,048 | 3,894 | 192 | 0.3% |
| Marine and Power Sports Pathway | 4,799 | \$46,200 | 0.95 | 205 | 4.2% | 75 | 95 | 0.4% | 3,046 | 1,062 | 1,946 | 38 | 0.2% |
| Truck Driving Pathway* | 98,845 | \$51,200 | 0.93 | 2,607 | 2.6% | 6,446 | 5,748 | 1.2% | 63,838 | 27,225 | 34,298 | 2,315 | 0.5% |
| Transportation Occupations | 145,613 | \$58,000 | 0.96 | 3,444 | 2.4% | 8,585 | 1,899 | 0.3% | 84,921 | 33,955 | 48,916 | 2,050 | 0.3% |
| Total - All Occupations | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 170,185 | -11,615 | -0.1% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |

*This pathway includes School Bus Driver careers as of 2022, which were not included in the 2020 or 2021 estimates of career pathway employment or demand.

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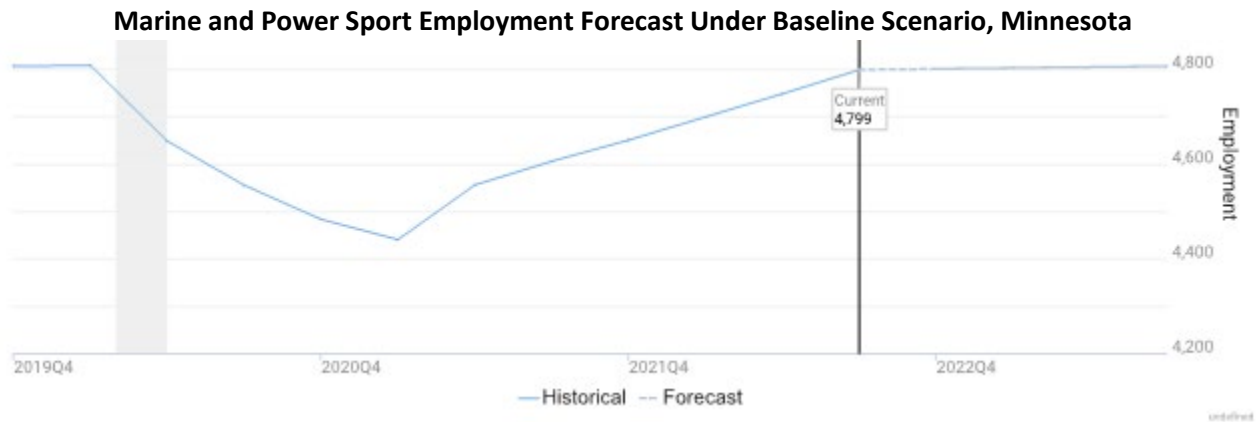
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Minnesota saw a strong job market throughout 2022 and elevated recruitment among employers across most sectors. As the available talent pool was exhausted, unemployment rates dropped dramatically across critical roles and in many scenarios demand far outpaced talent supply. Forecasting future needs under current conditions with an eye to anticipated talent pipelines into Marine and Power Sports suggest that there may be shortages of talent across a large share of occupations in this career pathway unless more talent decides to enter the field. The pathway forecast soured since estimates in late 2020, but now remains consistent with 2021 estimates with a baseline forecast of about 0.2% average annual growth in overall employment by the second quarter of 2027. Following an initially strong recovery in early 2021, 2022 saw relatively flat employment numbers quarter-to-quarter.



Industry/Occupation Mix

Marine and Power Sports talent is primarily concentrated in the Other Motor Vehicle Dealers industry (16.4%), increasing in its concentration from estimates in 2021 by another 4.2 percentage points. The next highest industry of employment concentration is Gasoline Stations (10.3%). These top industries also account for the most total demand for this talent over the next ten years.

Top Industry Distribution for Marine and Power Sports Pathway Occupations in Minnesota

| NAICS Code | Industry Title | CURRENT | | 10-YEAR DEMAND | | | | |
|------------|--|---------------|------|----------------|-------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| | | % of Occ Empl | Empl | Avg Ann Wages | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Total Demand |
| 4412 | Other Motor Vehicle Dealers | 16.4% | 785 | \$41,600 | 322 | 517 | 40 | 879 |
| 4571 | Gasoline Stations | 10.3% | 494 | \$31,300 | 245 | 475 | -64 | 656 |
| 8111 | Automotive Repair and Maintenance | 9.7% | 463 | \$31,100 | 249 | 482 | 16 | 747 |
| 4411 | Automobile Dealers | 6.9% | 333 | \$33,700 | 178 | 346 | 8 | 533 |
| 4552 | Warehouse Clubs, Supercenters, and Other General Merchandise Retailers | 5.0% | 240 | \$32,800 | 130 | 251 | 17 | 398 |
| 7139 | Other Amusement and Recreation Industries | 5.0% | 239 | \$41,400 | 103 | 176 | 16 | 296 |
| 8114 | Personal and Household Goods Repair and Maintenance | 4.6% | 221 | \$41,800 | 92 | 148 | 21 | 261 |
| 3345 | Navigational, Measuring, Electromedical, and Control Instruments Manufacturing | 3.7% | 178 | \$65,000 | 54 | 107 | -5 | 156 |
| 4442 | Lawn and Garden Equipment and Supplies Retailers | 3.3% | 158 | \$40,400 | 65 | 103 | 6 | 174 |
| 4881 | Support Activities for Air Transportation | 2.9% | 138 | \$34,000 | 76 | 147 | 15 | 238 |
| 4551 | Department Stores | 2.3% | 110 | \$32,700 | 60 | 115 | 8 | 183 |
| 4238 | Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers | 2.0% | 95 | \$49,100 | 36 | 60 | -2 | 94 |
| 5617 | Services to Buildings and Dwellings | 1.8% | 89 | \$45,500 | 36 | 57 | 2 | 94 |
| 4451 | Grocery and Convenience Retailers | 1.8% | 87 | \$32,200 | 44 | 86 | -7 | 124 |
| 4441 | Building Material and Supplies Dealers | 1.5% | 71 | \$40,100 | 29 | 46 | 1 | 75 |
| 9211 | Executive, Legislative, and Other General Government Support | 1.4% | 67 | \$53,900 | 26 | 49 | -1 | 74 |
| 8112 | Electronic and Precision Equipment Repair and Maintenance | 0.7% | 33 | \$60,800 | 11 | 21 | 2 | 34 |
| 3221 | Pulp, Paper, and Paperboard Mills | 0.6% | 31 | \$81,300 | 9 | 17 | -6 | 20 |
| 4413 | Automotive Parts, Accessories, and Tire Retailers | 0.6% | 30 | \$33,100 | 16 | 30 | 0 | 46 |
| 2382 | Building Equipment Contractors | 0.6% | 29 | \$64,500 | 9 | 18 | -1 | 26 |
| n/a | All Others | 18.9% | 908 | n/a | 337 | 641 | 10 | 989 |

Source: JobsEQ®

Data as of 2022Q3 except wages which are as of 2022. Note that occupation-by-industry wages represent adjusted national data and may not be consistent with regional, all-industry occupation wages shown elsewhere in JobsEQ.

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Talent Demand Detail

Employment and Wage Overview

Of all occupations found in the Marine and Power Sports pathway, Motorcycle Mechanics and Motorboat Mechanics and Service Technicians are uniquely concentrated in Minnesota to a higher degree than seen in the nation overall. On average, Marine and Power Sports careers pay about \$46,200 per year (up from \$41,900 last year)—well below the average wage statewide across all positions. Demand was high over the past year, seeing employment growth of 4.2% since the third quarter of 2021. However, employment may increase at a lower rate, about 0.2% through the third quarter of 2023.

Marine and Power Sports Pathway in Minnesota - Baseline, 2022Q3¹

| SOC | Occupation | Current | | | | | | 1-Year History | | 1-Year Forecast | | 5-Year Baseline Forecast | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | | Empl | Avg Ann Wages ² | LQ | Unempl | Unempl Rate | Online Job Ads ³ | Empl Change | Ann % | Empl Change | Ann % | Total Demand | Exits | Transfers | Empl Change | Ann % Change |
| 53-6031 | Automotive and Watercraft Service Attendants | 1,906 | \$34,500 | 0.85 | 71 | 3.7% | 7 | 82 | 4.5% | -1 | -0.1% | 1,474 | 503 | 978 | -7 | -0.1% |
| 49-2094 | Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment | 880 | \$75,000 | 0.90 | 23 | 2.7% | 29 | -19 | -2.1% | -1 | -0.1% | 397 | 135 | 267 | -5 | -0.1% |
| 49-3053 | Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engine Mechanics | 724 | \$44,200 | 1.02 | 44 | 5.9% | 20 | 29 | 4.1% | 2 | 0.3% | 391 | 147 | 234 | 10 | 0.3% |
| 49-3051 | Motorboat Mechanics and Service Technicians | 568 | \$47,900 | 1.16 | 35 | 6.0% | 15 | 45 | 8.5% | 4 | 0.8% | 329 | 118 | 188 | 23 | 0.8% |
| 49-3052 | Motorcycle Mechanics | 480 | \$43,700 | 1.55 | 31 | 6.1% | 1 | 22 | 4.9% | 1 | 0.3% | 259 | 97 | 155 | 7 | 0.3% |
| 53-6032 | Aircraft Service Attendants | 205 | \$37,600 | 0.76 | 1 | 0.5% | 3 | 32 | 18.5% | 2 | 0.9% | 175 | 56 | 110 | 9 | 0.9% |
| 53-5022 | Motorboat Operators | 36 | \$51,100 | 0.52 | 0 | n/a | n/a | 2 | 6.9% | 0 | 0.6% | 21 | 6 | 14 | 1 | 0.6% |
| 16420 | Marine and Power Sports Pathway | 4,799 | \$46,200 | 0.95 | 205 | 4.2% | 75 | 193 | 4.2% | 7 | 0.2% | 3,046 | 1,062 | 1,946 | 38 | 0.2% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 170,185 | 91,312 | 3.1% | 9,139 | 0.3% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |

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Marine and Power Sports saw some moderate wage gains across the pathway, with average wages rising by \$4,300 from prior estimates.¹ Entry-level wages in the pathways exceed the average entry-level wages observed across all occupations statewide, paying an average of \$34,900 annually for entry-level talent.

¹ Methodology for estimating wages changed between the 2021 and 2022 reports and are new as of the 2022Q3 dataset used here. They are estimated for the most current quarter of data available (2022Q3) using a combination of data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and Chmura RTI wages, and no longer lag by a calendar year.

Occupation Wages, Average Annual in Minnesota, 2022Q3

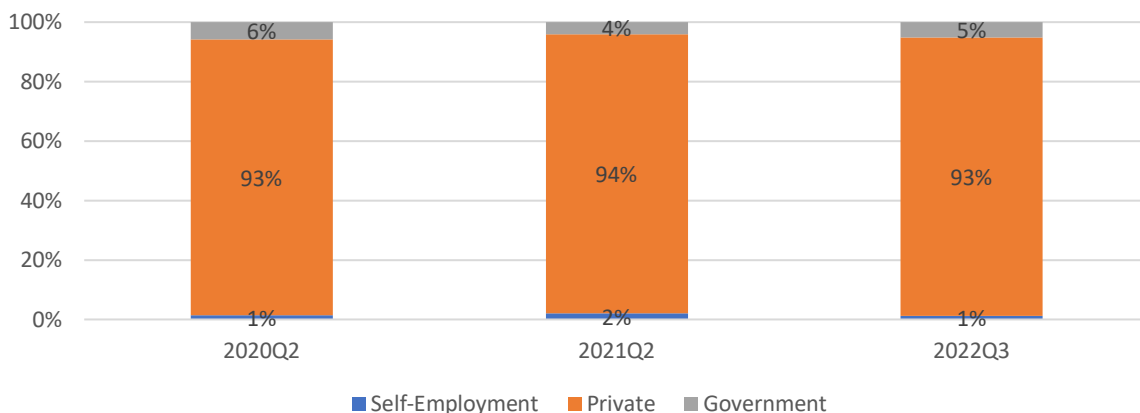
| | | | | | Percentiles | | | | |
|----------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| SOC | Occupation | Mean | Entry Level | Experienced | 10% | 25% | 50% (Median) | 75% | 90% |
| 49-2094 | Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment | \$75,000 | \$57,000 | \$84,000 | \$53,700 | \$64,000 | \$74,700 | \$83,300 | \$96,000 |
| 49-3051 | Motorboat Mechanics and Service Technicians | \$47,900 | \$35,000 | \$54,400 | \$32,500 | \$39,700 | \$47,200 | \$52,200 | \$62,100 |
| 49-3052 | Motorcycle Mechanics | \$43,700 | \$30,600 | \$50,300 | \$29,800 | \$32,900 | \$40,200 | \$49,700 | \$60,800 |
| 49-3053 | Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engine Mechanics | \$44,200 | \$32,400 | \$50,100 | \$30,400 | \$36,300 | \$43,500 | \$49,700 | \$56,000 |
| 53-5022 | Motorboat Operators | \$51,100 | \$33,600 | \$59,800 | \$32,100 | \$37,200 | \$44,600 | \$57,000 | \$72,400 |
| 53-6031 | Automotive and Watercraft Service Attendants | \$34,500 | \$27,300 | \$38,100 | \$25,700 | \$29,800 | \$32,600 | \$38,000 | \$44,600 |
| 53-6032 | Aircraft Service Attendants | \$37,600 | \$29,300 | \$41,700 | \$26,100 | \$33,800 | \$37,500 | \$40,500 | \$40,500 |
| 16420 | Marine and Power Sports Pathway | \$46,200 | \$34,900 | \$51,800 | \$32,800 | \$38,800 | \$44,700 | \$51,100 | \$59,500 |
| 00-0000 | Total - All Occupations | \$63,700 | \$31,400 | \$79,800 | \$29,100 | \$35,700 | \$49,800 | \$75,000 | \$108,400 |

Source: [JobsEQ®](#). Wage data represent the average for all Covered Employment

Employment Types

About 93% of people employed in Marine and Power Sports careers in Minnesota work for private employers (a slight decrease from 2021), while an estimated 1% are self-employed. The remaining 5% work for state, federal, or local government entities – this share has been declining moderately over the past three years.

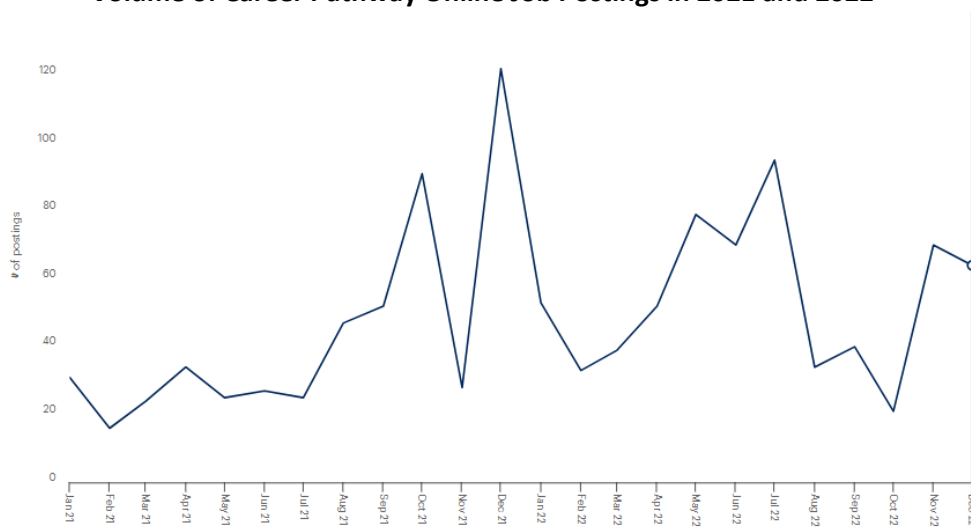
Employment Types, Minnesota 2020-2022



Job Posting Trends

Data in this section focuses on jobs newly advertised between January 1 and December 31, 2022 in Marine and Power Sports roles across Minnesota. Volume of total job postings, employer types (direct versus staffing), and top employers by unique job posting volumes comes from Gartner TalentNeuron; industry detail, skill and certification analysis, wage trends, and posting to hire analysis are from the Lightcast 2022Q4 dataset. Overall, there were 650 new jobs advertised in Marine and Power Sports during this time frame, an increase of 25% from the prior 12-month period (2021). The total share of posted positions advertised by staffing and temp agencies in the Marine and Power Sports pathway increased to 16% in 2022 compared to 5% in 2021. Posted wages decreased to an average \$20.00 per hour as of 2022, and there were six hires per every one unique job posting advertised based on Lightcast estimates.

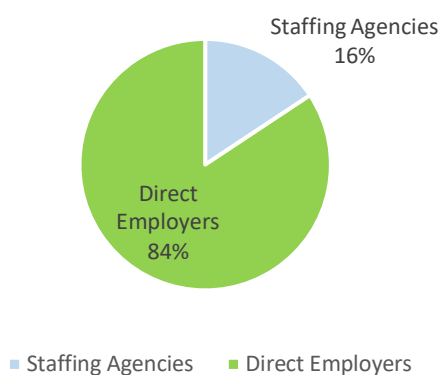
Volume of Career Pathway Online Job Postings in 2021 and 2022













Top Employers by Volume of New Job Postings, With Change from Prior Year

| | | Percent Change between 2021 and 2022 |
|-----|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Employer | |
| | Walmart | 3,360% |
| 2. | GPAC | 7,600% |
| 3. | Xcel Energy | -11% |
| 4. | Ryder | 357% |
| 5. | Army | -19% |
| 6. | PENSKE | -14% |
| 7. | Neighbor Storage | -24% |
| 8. | University of Minnesota | N/A – New Entrant |
| 9. | L&M Fleet Supply | 1,200% |
| 10. | John Deere | 0% |

New Job Postings Advertised in Minnesota by Employer Type

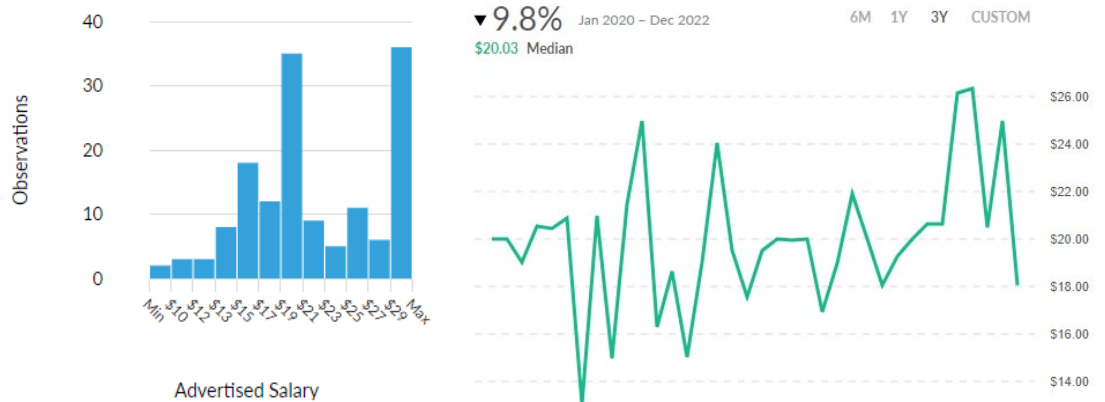


New Job Postings by Industry or Employer Type

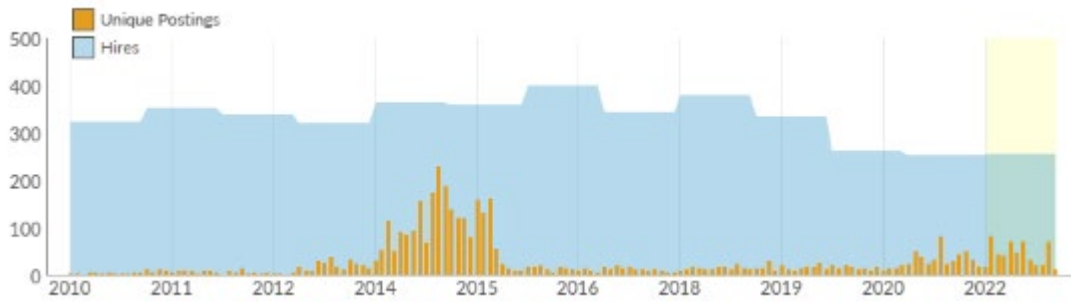
| Industry | Total/Unique (Jan 2022 - Dec 2022) | Posting Intensity | Median Posting Duration |
|---|--|--|----------------------------|
| Retail Trade | 995 / 276 | 4 : 1  | 53 days |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 115 / 36 | 3 : 1  | 23 days |
| Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services | 58 / 29 | 2 : 1  | 44 days |
| Wholesale Trade | 28 / 14 | 2 : 1  | 22 days |
| Public Administration | 28 / 14 | 2 : 1  | 41 days |
| Construction | 21 / 10 | 2 : 1  | 39 days |
| Utilities | 21 / 9 | 2 : 1  | 32 days |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 34 / 6 | 6 : 1  | 25 days |
| Manufacturing | 12 / 5 | 2 : 1  | n/a |
| Information | 6 / 4 | 2 : 1  | n/a |

Pathway Advertised Salary Range

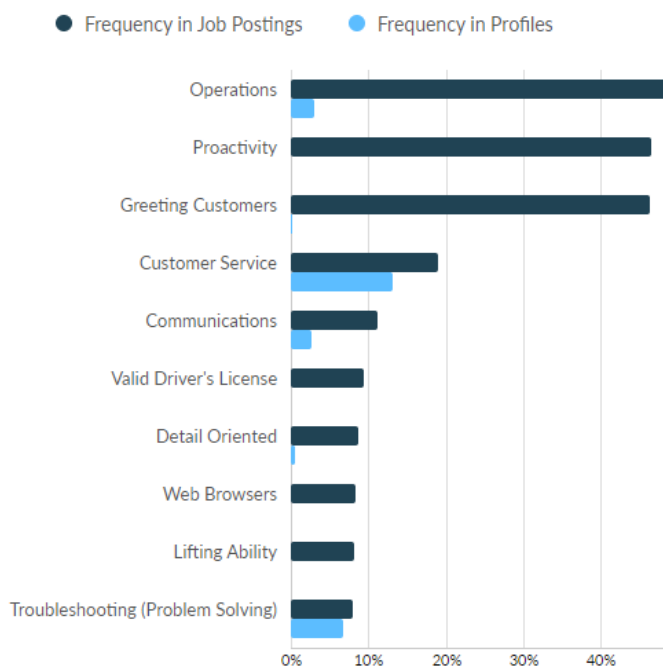
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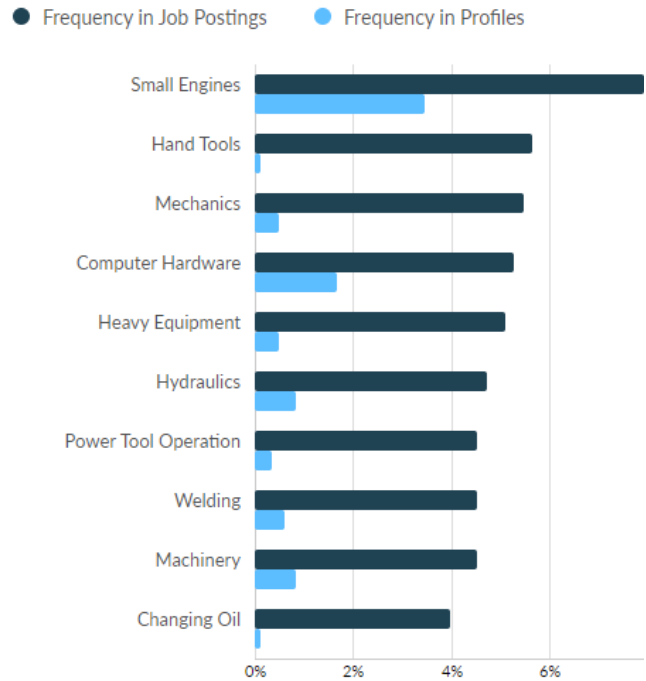
Monthly Ratio of Unique Job Postings to Estimated Hires



Top Common Skills



Top Specialized Skills



Top Certifications and Qualifications

| Qualification | Postings with Qualification |
|---|-----------------------------|
| CDL Class A License | 41 |
| Commercial Driver's License (CDL) | 36 |
| CDL Class B License | 15 |
| Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Certification | 10 |
| Tanker Endorsement | 5 |
| DOT Certification | 2 |
| Advanced Burn Life Support | 2 |
| 30-Hour OSHA General Industry Card | 1 |
| Certified Marine Technician | 1 |
| Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification | 1 |

Talent Supply Detail

Talent Unemployment, Underemployment, and Educational Attainment

At an overall pathway unemployment rate of 4.2%, there are about 205 unemployed Marine and Power Sports professionals statewide. An additional 524 Marine and Power Sports professionals are underemployed—meaning they are working in roles for which they are overqualified by education or experience.

Marine and Power Sports Pathway in Minnesota

| | | Empl (Place of Residence) | | | | | | | | Overall Occupation ¹ | | |
|--|---|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| SOC | Occupation | < High School | High School | Some College | 2-Year | 4-Year | Master's | PhD | Total Empl | Underemployed | Unemployed | Unempl Rate |
| 49-2094 | Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment | 4.0% | 23.9% | 23.0% | 27.0% | 20.8% | 1.0% | 0.3% | 849 | 188 | 23 | 2.7% |
| 49-3051 | Motorboat Mechanics and Service Technicians | 7.5% | 41.7% | 23.3% | 18.3% | 6.7% | 0.9% | 1.6% | 557 | 45 | 35 | 6.0% |
| 49-3052 | Motorcycle Mechanics | 7.3% | 42.2% | 23.3% | 18.4% | 6.4% | 0.9% | 1.5% | 474 | 34 | 31 | 6.1% |
| 49-3053 | Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engine Mechanics | 7.7% | 41.5% | 23.1% | 18.1% | 6.9% | 1.0% | 1.7% | 704 | 64 | 44 | 5.9% |
| 53-5022 | Motorboat Operators | 5.2% | 26.9% | 22.5% | 10.5% | 26.2% | 6.9% | 1.8% | 34 | 11 | 0 | 1.5% |
| 53-6031 | Automotive and Watercraft Service Attendants | 8.1% | 44.1% | 21.6% | 16.1% | 8.6% | 1.5% | 0.0% | 1,865 | 157 | 71 | 3.7% |
| 53-6032 | Aircraft Service Attendants | 8.9% | 41.8% | 21.6% | 15.4% | 10.4% | 1.9% | 0.0% | 199 | 25 | 1 | 0.5% |
| Marine and Power Sports Pathway | | 7.2% | 39.4% | 22.4% | 18.8% | 10.3% | 1.2% | 0.7% | 4,681 | 524 | 205 | 4.2% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 4.9% | 21.1% | 15.4% | 14.1% | 30.4% | 10.3% | 3.8% | 2,944,602 | 511,822 | 68,550 | 2.3% |

Source: JobsEQ®

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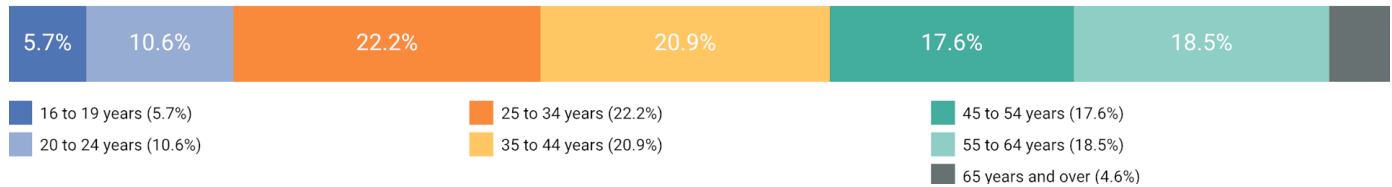
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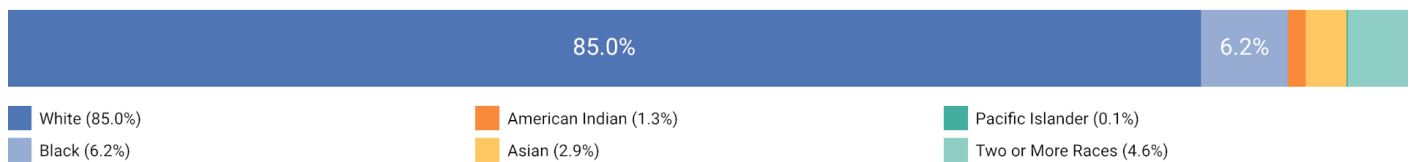
Workforce Demographics

Talent in this career field is relatively young overall. About 16.3% of the Marine and Power Sports workforce is under the age of 25, and 4.6% are over 64 years old. The largest demographic group by race are White, representing 85% of the total pathway's workforce, with the next largest cohort being Black talent representing 6.2% of the workforce. Just over 5% of the pathway's workforce are Hispanic or Latinx, and 8.9% are female.

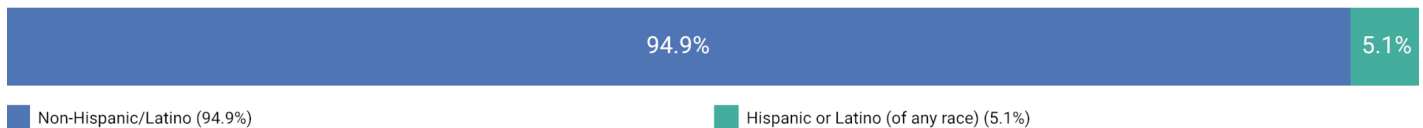
Marine and Power Sports Workforce Age Demographics, 2022Q3



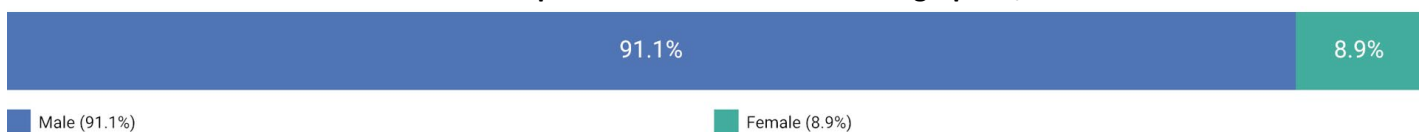
Marine and Power Sports Workforce Race Demographics, 2022Q3



Marine and Power Sports Workforce Ethnicity Demographics, 2022Q3



Marine and Power Sports Workforce Gender Demographics, 2022Q3



Graduate Demographics

Postsecondary program diversity varies by program across the Marine and Power Sports pathway. There are no international students, and all programs have an overrepresentation of male students. Electrical, Electronic, and Communication Engineering Technology/Technician has the most diverse graduates.²

Race and Gender of Graduates Receiving Postsecondary Awards in SY2021, Minnesota

| CIP Code | Description | All 2021 Graduates | International Student* | Black or African American, non-Hispanic | American Indian or Alaska Native | Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | Hispanic or Latino | White, non-Hispanic | Multiple or unknown race/ethnicity | Gender - Males | Gender - Females |
|---|--|--------------------|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 15.0303 | Electrical, Electronic, and Communications Engineering Technology/Technician | 102 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 24 | 2 | 62 | 8 | 94 | 8 |
| 47.0103 | Communications Systems Installation and Repair Technology/Technician | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 47.0104 | Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 47.0605 | Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician | 93 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 86 | 1 | 89 | 4 |
| 47.0606 | Small Engine Mechanics and Repair Technology/Technician | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 14 | 1 |
| 47.0611 | Motorcycle Maintenance and Repair Technology/Technician | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| 47.0616 | Marine Maintenance/Fitter and Ship Repair Technology/Technician | 64 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 60 | 0 | 62 | 2 |
| All Marine and Power Sports Postsecondary Programs | | 283 | 0 | 7 | 3 | 29 | 6 | 229 | 9 | 268 | 15 |

IPEDS SY2021 demographics by award conferred. Count of awards may double count individuals who obtained multiple credentials in the same calendar year. *[NCES IPEDS](https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-definitions) refers to international students that do not have resident status in the United States as “nonresident aliens.” This title aligns to Federal tax definitions and according to NCES IPEDS refers to “a person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who is in this country on a visa or temporary basis and does not have the right to remain indefinitely. Note: Nonresident aliens are reported separately, rather than in any of the racial/ethnic categories.” They are not included in calculations of BIPOC talent in this report as race and ethnicity information is not provided for these international students. The terminology of “international student” has been used in this report as it is more familiar to a common audience. <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-definitions>. For more information, view this article from Berkeley on tax filing status of international students. <https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/taxes/tax-filing-status>

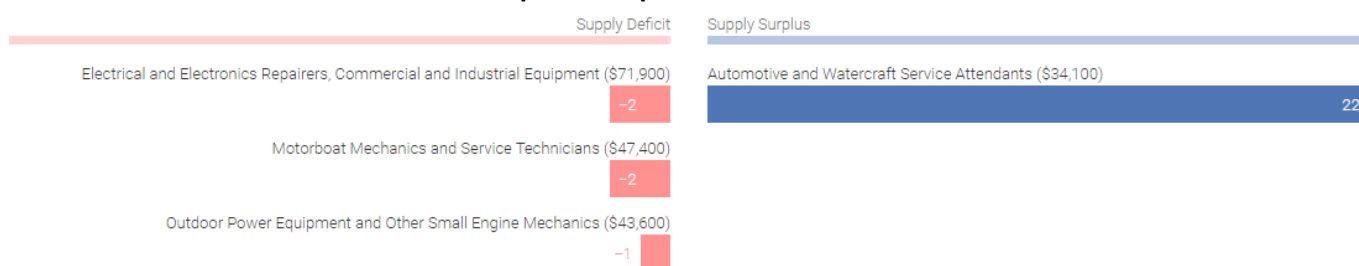
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Talent Gap Analysis

Occupation Gaps

By 2027, it is likely that Minnesota will see a growing shortage of Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment, Motorboat and Service Technicians, and Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engines Mechanics (shown in red below). The estimated annual shortage of talent in each of these occupations has worsened since and 2021 estimates.

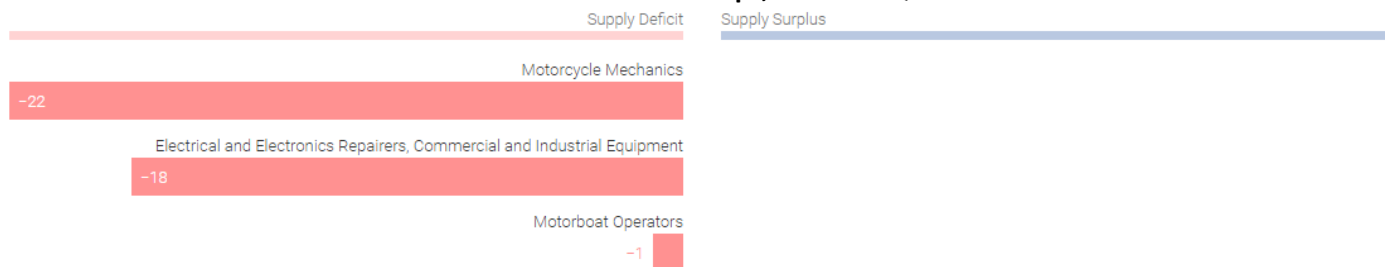
Estimated Occupation Gaps over Five Years in Minnesota



Award Gaps

Minnesota postsecondary institutions are underproducing credentials for Motorcycle Mechanics, Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment, and Motorboat Operators when compared to national benchmarks for how many awards are typically conferred per local demand. This award gap coupled with the talent shortages highlighted above suggest that increasing the volume of individuals able to work on small engines as well as Electrical and Electronics Repairers out of existing programs may be warranted.

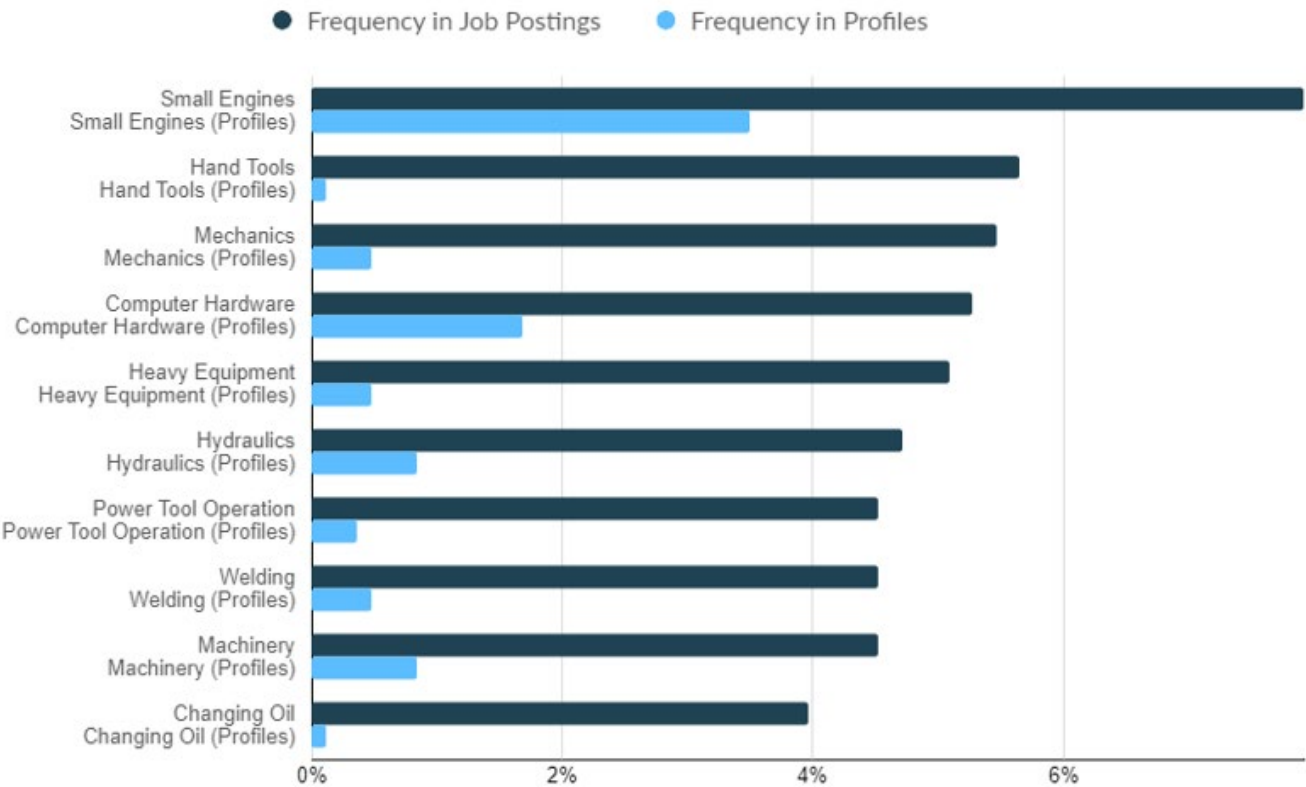
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Skill Misalignments

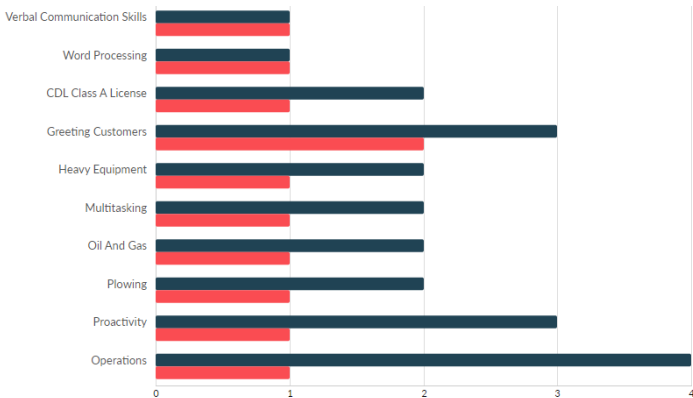
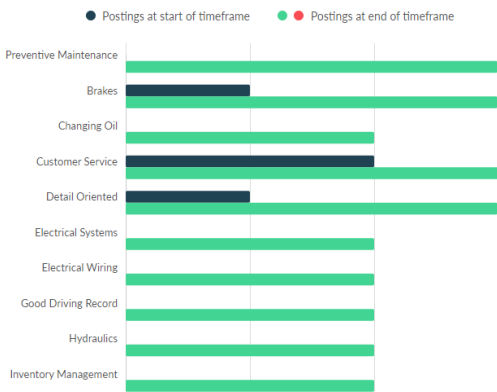
All of these specialized skills are more frequent in job postings than in candidate profiles found online. Small Engines, Computer Hardware, Hydraulics, and Machinery are all named more frequently in Automotive Technology talent profiles online than they are mentioned in job postings.

Percent of Pathway Job Postings and Online Talent Profiles Indicating Specialized Skills in Minnesota, 2022



Several baseline requirements, such customer service, preventative maintenance, brakes, and detail oriented have been trending up at the close of 2022. The chart below indicates skills that have increased in frequency in online job postings between January and December 2022 (shown in green) and those that have declined in frequency (shown in red). Volumes of postings remain low for jobs in this pathway, with multiple hires off of a single posting likely.

Pathway Hot and Cold Skills in Demand in Minnesota, 2022



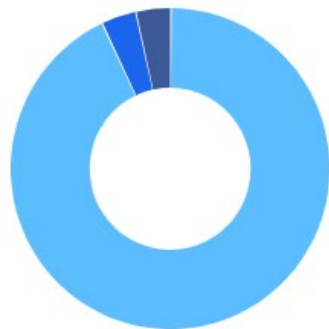
Source: RealTime Talent analysis of Chmura Economics JobsEQ®, <http://www.chmuraecon.com/jobseq/>. Job Posting Trends section uses data from Gartner TalentNeuron Plan, accessed 1/10/2022 at talentneuronplan.gartner.com

High Need, High Demand Pathways

There were about 283 awards conferred at 12 different Minnesota postsecondary institutions in programs aligned to Marine and Power Sports careers in SY2021. Among, these 110 were at the Associate level, and 114 were certificates that could be earned in less than two years. The average school had about 23 completions but range from one to 58 completions. Only one institution delivered programs remotely, with two completions. The most closely-aligned programs fall in the center of this table, including Marine Maintenance, Small Engine Mechanics, and Motorcycle Maintenance programs which in total conferred 85 certificate and Associate degree awards statewide in SY2021.

Marine and Power Sports Postsecondary Program Awards by Level, SY2021

| CIP Code | Title | Certificate < 1 Yr | Certificate 1+ but < 2 Yr | Associate's | Certificate 2+ but < 4 Yr | Bachelor's | Master's | Doctorate | Total Awards |
|----------|--|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| 15.0303 | Electrical, Electronic, and Communications Engineering Technology/Technician | 21 | 6 | 58 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 102 |
| 47.0605 | Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician | 3 | 33 | 43 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 93 |
| 47.0616 | Marine Maintenance/Fitter and Ship Repair Technology/Technician | 6 | 24 | 9 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 64 |
| 47.0606 | Small Engine Mechanics and Repair Technology/Technician | 0 | 12 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| 47.0611 | Motorcycle Maintenance and Repair Technology/Technician | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 47.0104 | Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 47.0103 | Communications Systems Installation and Repair Technology/Technician | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Total | 32 (11.3%) | 82 (28.9%) | 110 (38.9%) | 50 (17.7%) | 9 (3.2%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 283 |



| Institution Type | Completions (2021) | Market Share |
|---|--------------------|--------------|
| Public, 2-year | 263 | 92.9% |
| Public, 4-year or above | 10 | 3.5% |
| Private not-for-profit, 4-year or above | 10 | 3.5% |

Nearly 93% of related pathway awards were conferred by public 2-year institutions and Hennepin Technical College had the largest number of completions in SY2021, comprising 20.5% of related awards conferred. Completions are down overall by 18.2% from 2012.

Marine and Power Sports Postsecondary Program Awards by Institution, SY2021

| Institution | Completions (2021) | Growth % YOY (2021) | Market Share (2021) | IPEDS Tuition & Fees (2021) | Completions Trend (2017-2021) |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Hennepin Technical College | 58 | 45.0% | 20.5% | \$5,741 | |
| Alexandria Technical & Community College | 57 | 50.0% | 20.1% | \$5,910 | |
| Central Lakes College-Brainerd | 42 | 13.5% | 14.8% | \$5,954 | |
| Minnesota West Community and Technical College | 33 | 22.2% | 11.7% | \$6,286 | |
| Lake Superior College | 27 | 125.0% | 9.5% | \$5,616 | |
| Anoka Technical College | 13 | 18.2% | 4.6% | \$6,075 | |
| Minnesota State Community and Technical College | 11 | -57.7% | 3.9% | \$5,862 | |
| Minnesota State College Southeast | 11 | 266.7% | 3.9% | \$6,562 | |
| Riverland Community College | 10 | -16.7% | 3.5% | \$6,060 | |
| Minnesota State University-Mankato | 10 | 66.7% | 3.5% | \$9,146 | |
| Dunwoody College of Technology | 10 | 0.0% | 3.5% | \$23,863 | |
| Ridgewater College | 1 | 0.0% | 0.4% | \$5,914 | |

The clearest gap in program offerings is for Motorcycle Maintenance and Repair Technology/Technician and Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician, which are both an area of talent shortages and where Minnesota institutions fall short of national award benchmarks. There were only six certificates conferred for Motorcycle Maintenance in the most recent school year, and only three certificates conferred for Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician. There were no Communications Systems Installation and Repair Technology/Technician completions. All three of these programs (CIP 47.0611, 47.0104, and 47.0103) are prime for exploration of certificate or two-year program growth or development given local employer demand.

Promising Approaches to Addressing Possible Misalignments

A variety of strategies may improve the outlook for transportation talent in need. In the Marine and Power Sports pathway, most occupations have low talent diversity by race and gender. All occupations in the Marine and Power Sports pathway have well below average gender diversity. Most of the share of their workforce are below the age of 45.

Postsecondary programs aligned to Motorcycle Mechanics, Electrical and Electronic Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment, and Motorboat Operators are underproducing graduates in comparison to national benchmarks. Motorcycle Mechanics and Electrical and Electronic Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment are also experiencing talent shortages, and a low share of female workers and graduates. Electrical and Electronic Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment have the highest volume of employment and the highest number related graduates; there were 102 graduates specifically from Electrical, Electronic, and Communications Engineering Technology/Technician programs in Minnesota during the 2021 school year, plus another three graduates of Computer Installation and Repair programs—both of which are counted in the table below. However, it is important to recognize that a relatively small share of graduates of these programs would map into the installation and repair of computer and electrical equipment in small engines, marine, or boating equipment.

Postsecondary Strategy Summary Table, Minnesota 2022

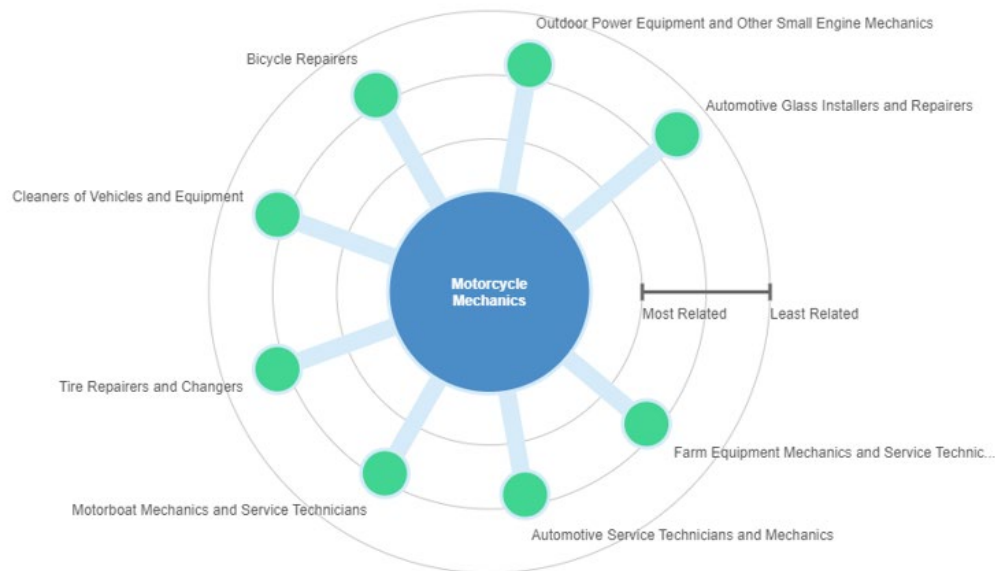
| Occupation | Related Programs* | 2022Q3 Empl | Talent Shortage | Workforce BIPOC by Race | Workforce Hispanic/Latinx | Workforce Female | Workforce Under 45 | SY2021 Graduates (Certificate and AA/AS only) | Award Gap (All Award Levels)** | Graduates BIPOC by Race or Ethnicity (All Award Levels) | Graduates Female (All Award Levels) |
|---|--|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Automotive and Watercraft Service Attendants | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal Watercraft/Boating Education (not offered in Minnesota) | 1,906 | N | 19.4% | 4.9% | 12.5% | 61.7% | N/A | N | N/A | N/A |
| Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Electrical, Electronic, and Communications Engineering Technology/Technician Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician Communications Systems Installation and Repair Technology/Technician | 880 | Y | 11.0% | 5.2% | 4.6% | 53.1% | 96 | Y | 72.5% | 7.8% |
| Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engine Mechanics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small Engine Mechanics and Repair Technology/Technician | 724 | Y | 11.8% | 5.4% | 5.1% | 60.9% | 15 | N | 6.7% | 6.7% |
| Motorboat Mechanics and Service Technicians | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician Marine Maintenance/Fitter and Ship Repair Technology/Technician Small Engine Mechanics and Repair Technology/Technician | 568 | Y | 10.3% | 5.1% | 5.1% | 60.5% | 172 | N | 20.5% | 21.9% |
| Motorcycle Mechanics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small Engine Mechanics and Repair Technology/Technician Motorcycle Maintenance and Repair Technology/Technician | 480 | Y | 9.2% | 4.4% | 5.0% | 59.8% | 21 | Y | 23.4% | 6.7% |
| Aircraft Service Attendants | N/A | 205 | N | 27.2% | 8.0% | 24.5% | 58.1% | N/A | N | N/A | N/A |
| Motorboat Operators | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal Watercraft/Boating Education (not offered in Minnesota) | 36 | N | 20.0% | 7.9% | 23.1% | 43.0% | N/A | Y | N/A | N/A |
| Marine and Power Sports Pathway | All seven aligned programs | 4,799 | Y | 15.0% | 5.1% | 8.9% | 59.4% | 236 | Y | 25.5% | 9.4% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 3,038,766 | | 15.0% | 5.2% | 48.3% | 56.5% | 29,484 | | 37.3% | 65.6% |

NOTE: Red highlighting indicates lower than overall share of workforce or graduate pool, or existence of occupation or award gap. *Related programs may overlap among occupations within the pathway or across other Transportation career pathways. Only those programs most tightly aligned to the occupation in question are listed in this column. **Award gaps are estimated based on a wider alignment of programs than what is illustrated in this table.

Career Pathway Opportunities

When considering occupations that have significant skill and experience overlap with the occupations of highest need in this pathway, the majority have low employment numbers or are other careers in the Transportation sector that share high demand. The graphic below offers several careers related to the Motorcycle Mechanic occupation in skill demands that have highly relevant skill and experience overlap that would be strong feeder occupations for talent.

Feeder Occupations into Motorcycle Mechanic Roles, 2023Q1



| Occupation | Category | Relevance | Avg. Unique Monthly Postings from Jan 2022 - Dec 2022 | Mean Salary Diff. |
|--|---------------------|-----------|---|-------------------|
| Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians | Similar | 59% | 7 | -\$1,369 |
| Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics | Similar | 59% | 560 | -\$902 |
| Motorboat Mechanics and Service Technicians | Similar | 56% | 1 | +\$3,594 |
| Tire Repairers and Changers | Advancement | 43% | 42 | -\$16,739 |
| Cleaners of Vehicles and Equipment | Lateral Advancement | 43% | 101 | -\$18,530 |
| Bicycle Repairers | Advancement | 42% | 4 | -\$6,085 |
| Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engine Mechanics | Advancement | 39% | 4 | -\$9,960 |
| Automotive Glass Installers and Repairers | Advancement | 28% | 7 | -\$8,111 |

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Introduction and Sector Overview

This report highlights the importance of the Truck Driving career pathway for Minnesota's Transportation Industry. Professionals in these careers work as heavy truck drivers, tractor drivers, bus drivers, sales truck drivers, and tank car drivers serving a variety of industries.¹ In all, about 98,845 work in Truck Driving roles in Minnesota as of the third quarter of 2022—a 4.2% increase from a year prior.

Overall employment in Minnesota has grown by nearly 118,000 workers (4.0%) between the second quarter of 2021 and the third quarter of 2022, and the five-year forecast recovered with a 45,970 expansion of employment over five years as of the most current baseline forecasts, or about 0.3% average annual growth. During this time frame, Truck Driving employment is anticipated to rise respectably in Minnesota by about 2,315 total jobs (0.5% annually) due to a tight talent pool. Total baseline demand for Truck Driving talent is anticipated to be around 63,858 professionals needed to fill positions due to job exits and transfers, such as retirements and job changes.

Transportation Pathways in Minnesota – Baseline Forecast, 2022Q3¹

| Occupation | Current | | | | | | 5-Year History | | 5-Year Baseline Forecast | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Empl | Avg Ann Wages ² | LQ | Unempl | Unempl Rate | Online Job Ads ³ | Empl Change | Ann % | Total Demand | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Ann % Growth |
| Automotive Technology Pathway | 21,227 | \$66,900 | 1.02 | 387 | 1.8% | 1,183 | -819 | -0.8% | 8,677 | 3,181 | 5,821 | -279 | -0.4% |
| Aviation and Drone Technology Pathway | 9,162 | \$115,200 | 0.86 | 139 | 1.5% | 313 | -531 | -1.1% | 4,615 | 1,584 | 2,945 | 86 | 0.2% |
| Collision Repair Pathway | 6,757 | \$54,100 | 1.05 | 177 | 2.6% | 359 | -44 | -0.1% | 3,236 | 1,128 | 2,142 | -34 | -0.1% |
| Diesel Equipment and Truck Pathway | 12,518 | \$61,900 | 1.06 | 230 | 1.8% | 593 | -458 | -0.7% | 6,135 | 2,048 | 3,894 | 192 | 0.3% |
| Marine and Power Sports Pathway | 4,799 | \$46,200 | 0.95 | 205 | 4.2% | 75 | 95 | 0.4% | 3,046 | 1,062 | 1,946 | 38 | 0.2% |
| Truck Driving Pathway* | 98,845 | \$51,200 | 0.93 | 2,607 | 2.6% | 6,446 | 5,748 | 1.2% | 63,838 | 27,225 | 34,298 | 2,315 | 0.5% |
| Transportation Occupations | 145,613 | \$58,000 | 0.96 | 3,444 | 2.4% | 8,585 | 1,899 | 0.3% | 84,921 | 33,955 | 48,916 | 2,050 | 0.3% |
| Total - All Occupations | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 170,185 | -11,615 | -0.1% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |

*This pathway includes School Bus Driver careers as of 2022, which were not included in the 2020 or 2021 estimates of career pathway employment or demand.

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

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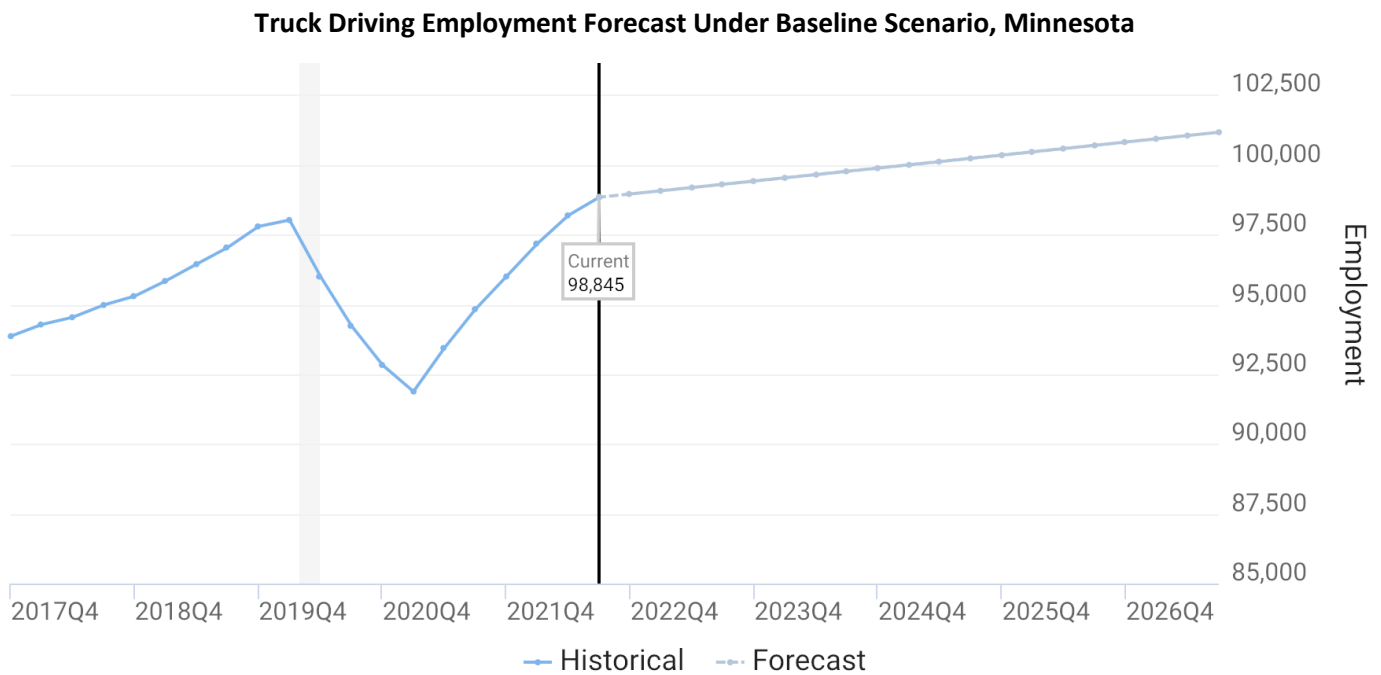
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2. Wage data represent the average for all Covered Employment

3. Data represent found online ads active within the last thirty days in the selected region; data represents a sampling rather than the complete universe of postings. Ads lacking zip code information but designating a place (city, town, etc.) may be assigned to the zip code with greatest employment in that place for queries in this analytic. Due to alternative county-assignment algorithms, ad counts in this analytic may not match that shown in RTI (nor in the popup window ad list).

¹ The occupation for School Bus Drivers was added to this pathway analysis as of 2022.

Minnesota saw a strong job market throughout 2022 and elevated recruitment among employers across most sectors. As the available talent pool was exhausted, unemployment rates dropped dramatically across critical roles and in many scenarios demand far outpaced talent supply. Forecasting future needs under current conditions with an eye to anticipated talent pipelines into Truck Driving roles suggest that there may be long-term shortages of talent in several critical occupations in this career pathway unless more talent decides to enter the field. The pathway forecast soured since estimates in late 2020, but has recovered as of 2022 estimates to an 0.5% average annual growth through 2027.



Source: JobsEQ®, Data as of 2022Q3, The shaded areas of the graph represent national recessions.

Industry/Occupation Mix

Truck Driving talent is primarily concentrated in the General Freight Trucking industry (15.1%, down 0.6 percentage points) and School and Employee Bus Transportation (7.7%, up 0.3 percentage points). The industry demand for Truck Driving talent is diverse, from warehousing to restaurant and grocery industry needs.

Top Industry Distribution for Automotive Technology Pathway Occupations in Minnesota

| | | | CURRENT | | 10-YEAR DEMAND | | | |
|---|---|---------------|---------|---------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| NAICS Code | Industry Title | % of Occ Empl | Empl | Avg Ann Wages | Exits | Transfers | Empl Growth | Total Demand |
| 4841 | General Freight Trucking | 15.1% | 14,880 | \$54,100 | 6,792 | 10,545 | -62 | 17,275 |
| 4854 | School and Employee Bus Transportation | 7.7% | 7,629 | \$40,800 | 8,096 | 4,030 | 813 | 12,939 |
| 4921 | Couriers and Express Delivery Services | 6.5% | 6,389 | \$62,400 | 3,118 | 4,830 | 900 | 8,848 |
| 4842 | Specialized Freight Trucking | 4.4% | 4,368 | \$54,000 | 1,991 | 3,094 | -25 | 5,059 |
| 7225 | Restaurants and Other Eating Places | 4.1% | 4,065 | \$27,600 | 2,056 | 3,173 | 899 | 6,127 |
| 4931 | Warehousing and Storage | 3.8% | 3,787 | \$51,000 | 1,512 | 3,104 | 542 | 5,159 |
| 4244 | Grocery and Related Product Merchant Wholesalers | 3.6% | 3,533 | \$43,900 | 1,607 | 2,558 | 95 | 4,260 |
| 6111 | Elementary and Secondary Schools | 2.5% | 2,508 | \$41,100 | 2,596 | 1,238 | -35 | 3,799 |
| 4922 | Local Messengers and Local Delivery | 2.0% | 1,979 | \$43,100 | 989 | 1,529 | 384 | 2,902 |
| 4859 | Other Transit and Ground Passenger Transportation | 1.9% | 1,918 | \$34,400 | 1,614 | 1,108 | 221 | 2,944 |
| 4851 | Urban Transit Systems | 1.9% | 1,854 | \$46,600 | 1,439 | 1,030 | 71 | 2,539 |
| 5613 | Employment Services | 1.8% | 1,738 | \$41,500 | 683 | 1,353 | 82 | 2,118 |
| 4853 | Taxi and Limousine Service | 1.7% | 1,727 | \$32,000 | 1,548 | 893 | -38 | 2,403 |
| 9211 | Executive, Legislative, and Other General Government Support | 1.5% | 1,476 | \$44,600 | 1,146 | 824 | -2 | 1,968 |
| 4249 | Miscellaneous Nondurable Goods Merchant Wholesalers | 1.4% | 1,377 | \$50,600 | 626 | 988 | 16 | 1,631 |
| 2389 | Other Specialty Trade Contractors | 1.4% | 1,351 | \$54,700 | 615 | 956 | -9 | 1,563 |
| 4413 | Automotive Parts, Accessories, and Tire Retailers | 1.3% | 1,301 | \$29,700 | 596 | 923 | 6 | 1,525 |
| 2373 | Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction | 1.3% | 1,247 | \$57,500 | 578 | 906 | 51 | 1,535 |
| 5621 | Waste Collection | 1.2% | 1,147 | \$54,300 | 533 | 836 | 55 | 1,424 |
| 4231 | Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Parts and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers | 1.1% | 1,041 | \$36,200 | 481 | 751 | 32 | 1,264 |
| n/a | All Others | 33.9% | 33,530 | n/a | 15,860 | 23,959 | 712 | 40,531 |
| Source: JobsEQ® Data as of 2022Q3 except wages which are as of 2022. Note that occupation-by-industry wages represent adjusted national data and may not be consistent with regional, all-industry occupation wages shown elsewhere in JobsEQ. Note: Figures may not sum due to rounding. | | | | | | | | |

Pathway Detail

Of all occupations found in the Truck Driving pathway, Passenger Vehicle Drivers are uniquely concentrated in Minnesota to a higher degree than seen in the nation overall. On average, Truck Driving careers pay about \$51,200 per year—about \$12,500 below the average wage statewide across all positions. The Truck Driving Pathway saw

significant growth over the past year, increasing in total employment by 4.2%; however, the forecast for the coming year is more restrained for this pathway.

Truck Driving Pathway in Minnesota – Baseline Forecast, 2022Q3¹

| | | Current | | | | | | 1-Year History | | 1-Year Forecast | | 5-Year Baseline Forecast | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| SOC | Occupation | Empl | Avg Ann Wages ² | LQ | Unempl | Rate | Online Job Ads ³ | Empl Change | Ann % | Empl Change | Ann % | Total Demand | Exits | Transfers | Empl Change | Ann % |
| 53-3032 | Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers | 39,919 | \$59,400 | 0.97 | 781 | 2.0% | 3,144 | 962 | 2.5% | 57 | 0.1% | 8,677 | 3,181 | 5,821 | -325 | -0.3% |
| 53-3033 | Light Truck Drivers | 19,832 | \$50,000 | 0.92 | 383 | 2.0% | 860 | 149 | 0.8% | 124 | 0.6% | 4,615 | 1,584 | 2,945 | 86 | 0.2% |
| 53-3051 | Bus Drivers, School | 10,788 | \$45,000 | 1.25 | 566 | 5.1% | 102 | 1,057 | 10.9% | 64 | 0.6% | 3,236 | 1,128 | 2,142 | -34 | -0.1% |
| 53-7051 | Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators | 9,821 | \$51,600 | 0.61 | 313 | 3.2% | 242 | 674 | 7.4% | 48 | 0.5% | 6,135 | 2,048 | 3,894 | 192 | 0.3% |
| 53-3031 | Driver/Sales Workers | 9,758 | \$34,500 | 0.93 | 194 | 2.0% | 1,851 | 498 | 5.4% | 103 | 1.1% | 3,046 | 1,062 | 1,946 | 38 | 0.2% |
| 53-3053 | Shuttle Drivers and Chauffeurs | 4,900 | \$36,000 | 1.08 | 262 | 5.2% | 212 | 674 | 15.9% | 43 | 0.9% | 63,838 | 27,225 | 34,298 | 2,315 | 0.5% |
| 53-3052 | Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity | 3,636 | \$49,200 | 1.17 | 106 | 2.9% | 29 | -6 | -0.2% | 18 | 0.5% | 84,921 | 33,955 | 48,916 | 2,050 | 0.3% |
| 53-7121 | Tank Car, Truck, and Ship Loaders | 191 | \$58,500 | 0.79 | 3 | 1.5% | 5 | 5 | 2.8% | 0 | -0.2% | 63,838 | 27,225 | 34,298 | 2,315 | 0.5% |
| Truck Driving Pathway | | 98,845 | \$51,200 | 0.93 | 2,607 | 2.6% | 6,446 | 4,014 | 4.2% | 457 | 0.5% | 1,800,961 | 734,547 | 1,020,444 | 45,970 | 0.3% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 3,038,766 | \$63,700 | 1.00 | 68,550 | 2.3% | 170,185 | 91,312 | 3.1% | 9,139 | 0.5% | 8,677 | 3,181 | 5,821 | -325 | -0.3% |

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

Data as of 2022Q3 unless noted otherwise

Note: Figures may not sum due to rounding.

1. Data based on a four-quarter moving average unless noted otherwise.

2. Wage data represent the average for all Covered Employment

3. Data represent found online ads active within the last thirty days in the selected region; data represents a sampling rather than the complete universe of postings. Ads lacking zip code information but designating a place (city, town, etc.) may be assigned to the zip code with greatest employment in that place for queries in this analytic. Due to alternative county-assignment algorithms, ad counts in this analytic may not match that shown in RTI (nor in the popup window ad list).

The Truck Driving pathway saw some moderate wage gains across the pathway.² Entry-level wages in the pathways exceed the average entry-level wages observed across all occupations statewide by about \$5,000, with Truck Driving careers paying an average of \$36,400 annually for entry-level talent.

Occupation Wages, Average Annual in Minnesota, 2022Q3

| | | | | | Percentiles | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| SOC | Occupation | Mean | Entry Level | Experienced | 10% | 25% | 50% (Median) | 75% | 90% |
| 53-3031 | Driver/Sales Workers | \$34,500 | \$24,700 | \$39,400 | \$23,900 | \$26,100 | \$30,900 | \$39,300 | \$50,900 |
| 53-3032 | Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers | \$59,400 | \$43,200 | \$67,500 | \$40,300 | \$49,000 | \$57,400 | \$66,600 | \$79,000 |
| 53-3033 | Light Truck Drivers | \$50,000 | \$32,200 | \$58,800 | \$28,700 | \$37,800 | \$48,700 | \$59,100 | \$77,500 |
| 53-3051 | Bus Drivers, School | \$45,000 | \$32,900 | \$51,000 | \$30,400 | \$37,400 | \$42,800 | \$50,300 | \$56,700 |
| 53-3052 | Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity | \$49,200 | \$33,500 | \$57,100 | \$29,600 | \$39,600 | \$47,000 | \$60,600 | \$68,000 |
| 53-3053 | Shuttle Drivers and Chauffeurs | \$36,000 | \$27,400 | \$40,400 | \$25,600 | \$30,200 | \$35,700 | \$40,500 | \$44,300 |
| 53-7051 | Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators | \$51,600 | \$38,600 | \$58,000 | \$37,900 | \$41,100 | \$48,500 | \$56,100 | \$68,800 |
| 53-7121 | Tank Car, Truck, and Ship Loaders | \$58,500 | \$39,900 | \$67,800 | \$38,900 | \$42,800 | \$50,600 | \$73,300 | \$89,900 |
| Truck Driving Pathway | | \$51,200 | \$36,400 | \$58,500 | \$33,900 | \$41,200 | \$49,100 | \$58,100 | \$70,400 |
| Total - All Occupations | | \$63,700 | \$31,400 | \$79,800 | \$29,100 | \$35,700 | \$49,800 | \$75,000 | \$108,400 |

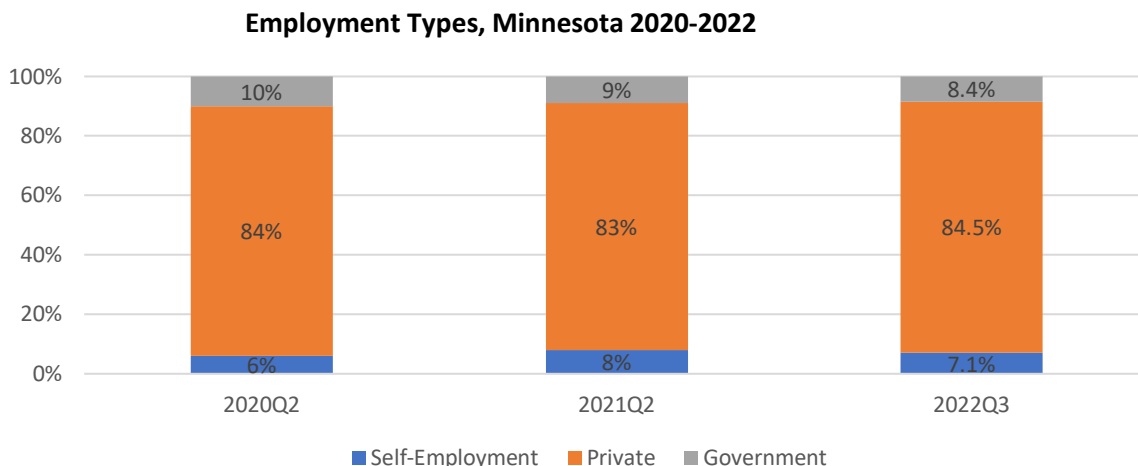
Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

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² Methodology for estimating wages changed between the 2021 and 2022 reports and are new as of the 2022Q3 dataset used here. They are estimated for the most current quarter of data available (2022Q3) using a combination of data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and Chmura RTI wages, and no longer lag by a calendar year.

Employment Types

About 84.5% of people employed in Truck Driving roles in Minnesota work for private employers, while an estimated 7.1% are self-employed. The remaining 8.4% work for state, federal, or local government entities.



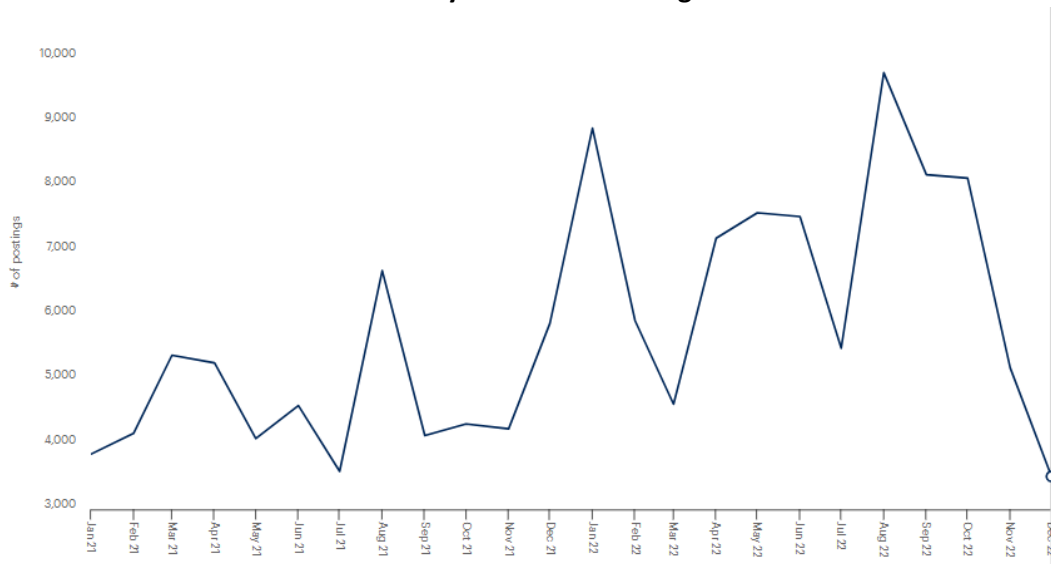
Job Posting Trends

Data in this section focuses on jobs newly advertised between January 1 and December 31, 2022 in Truck Driving roles across Minnesota. Volume of total job postings, employer types (direct versus staffing), and top employers by unique job posting volumes comes from Gartner TalentNeuron; industry detail, skill and certification analysis, wage trends, and posting to hire analysis are from the Lightcast 2022Q4 dataset. Overall, there were 83,114 new jobs advertised in Truck Driving roles during this time frame, an increase of 46% from the prior 12-month period (2021). Volume of posted positions advertised by staffing and temp agencies in the Truck Driving pathway has remained consistent to trends in 2020 and 2021. Posted wages increased to an average \$22.98 per hour as of 2022 (\$23.85 median), and there were two hires per every one unique job posting advertised based on Lightcast estimates.

A look at all job postings that required a Commercial Drivers' License (CDL) upon hire resulted in a total of 56,485 unique job postings in Minnesota in 2022, representing 5% of all postings and an increase of 51% from 2021's demand for a CDL credential. In addition to the Truck Driving pathway careers analyzed in this report, 63 other occupations that often require a CDL including:

- Maintenance and Repair Workers
- Highway Maintenance Workers
- Laborers and Freight, Stock, or Material Movers
- Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, or Repairers
- Construction Laborers
- Supervisors of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers
- Electrical Power-Line Installers and Repairers
- Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators
- Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers
- Rotary Drill Operators, Oil and Gas

Volume of Career Pathway Online Job Postings in 2021 and 2022

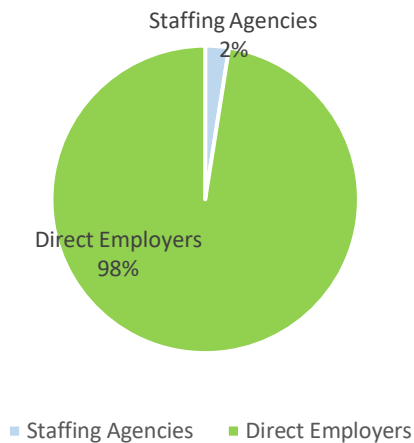


Top Employers by Volume of New Job Postings, With Change from Prior Year











| | Employer | Percent Change between 2021 and 2022 |
|-----|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | National Petroleum Trucking | 2,408% |
| 2. | Delivery Drivers Inc. | 5,330% |
| 3. | UPS | 580% |
| 4. | Amazon | 205% |
| 5. | Marten Transport | 190% |
| 6. | DART | 167% |
| 7. | Marvins Inc. | 35,340% |
| 8. | Hogan Transports | 37% |
| 9. | Ashley Distribution Services Ltd. | 1,858% |
| 10. | Sysco | 90% |

Note: Employer posting table does not include gig economy careers, such as UberEATS, goPuff, or Instacart

New Job Postings Advertised in Minnesota by Employer Type

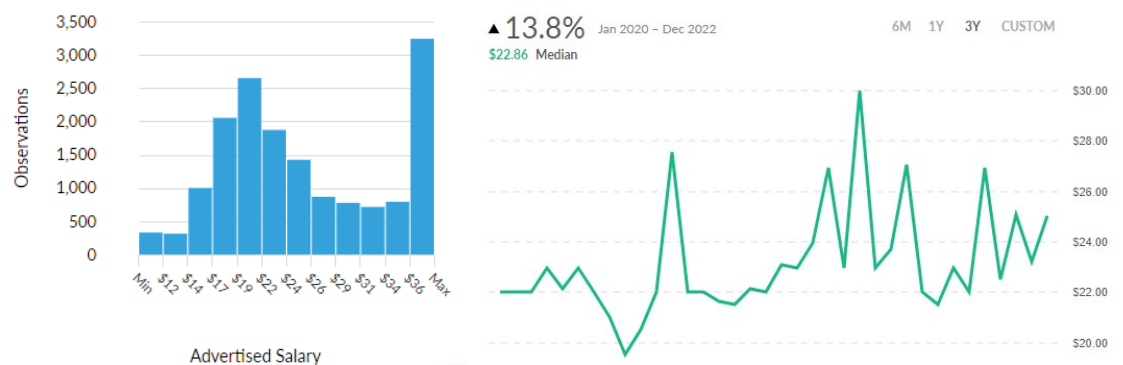


New Job Postings by Industry or Employer Type

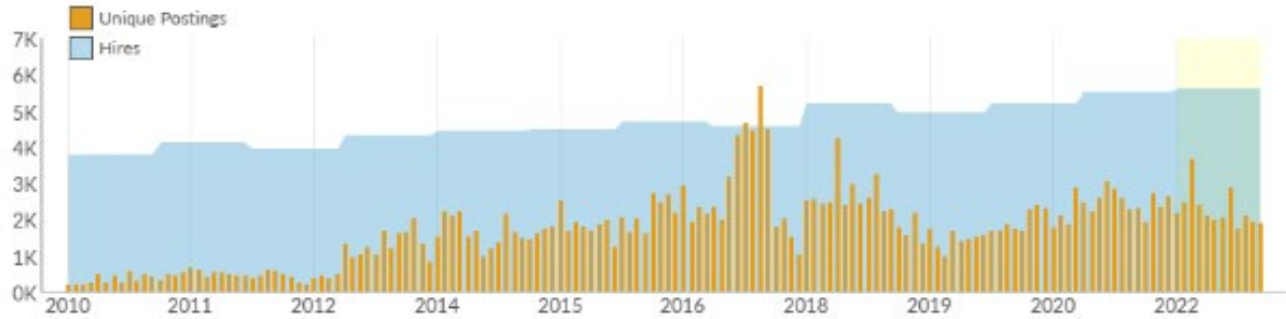
| Industry | Total/Unique (Jan 2022 - Dec 2022) | Posting Intensity | Median Posting Duration |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Transportation and Warehousing | 29,517 / 6,693 | 4 : 1  | 21 days |
| Retail Trade | 9,310 / 2,520 | 4 : 1  | 26 days |
| Wholesale Trade | 10,054 / 2,392 | 4 : 1  | 27 days |
| Manufacturing | 7,454 / 2,255 | 3 : 1  | 27 days |
| Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services | 5,498 / 2,146 | 3 : 1  | 28 days |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 7,661 / 1,615 | 5 : 1  | 32 days |
| Construction | 1,287 / 513 | 3 : 1  | 28 days |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 2,058 / 482 | 4 : 1  | 27 days |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 1,105 / 393 | 3 : 1  | 33 days |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 963 / 370 | 3 : 1  | 31 days |

Pathway Advertised Salary Range

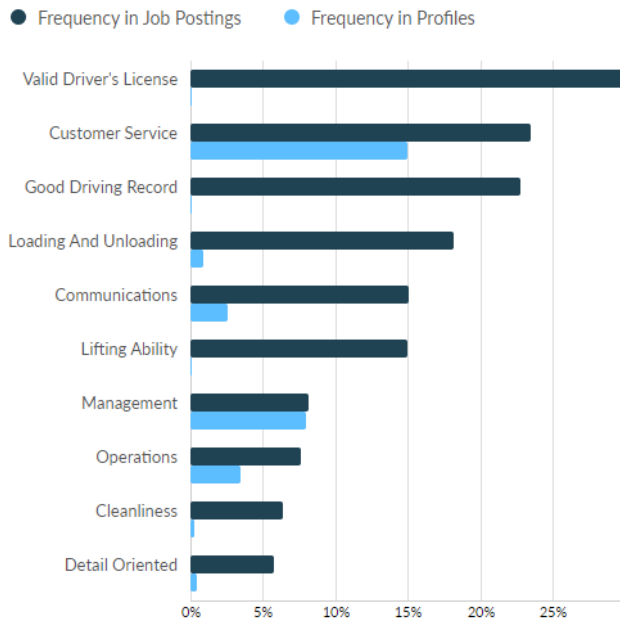
\$23.85/hr
Median Advertised Salary



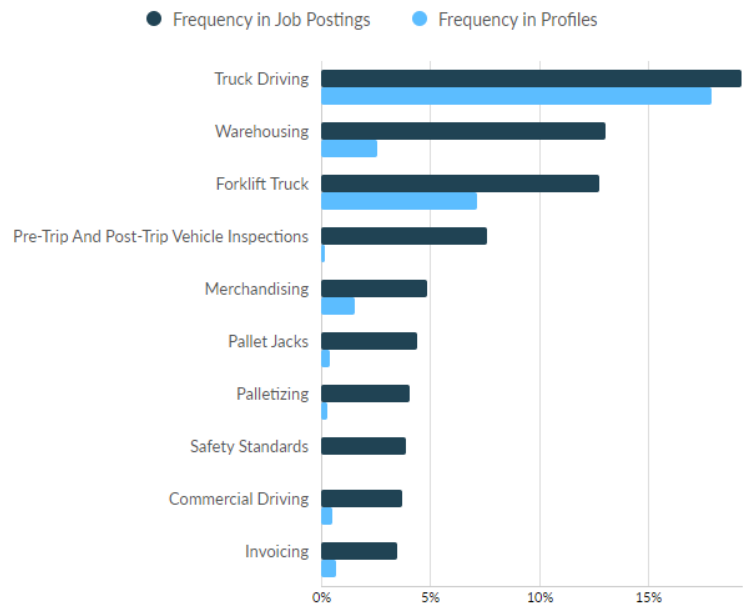
Monthly Ratio of Unique Job Postings to Estimated Hires



Top Common Skills



Top Specialized Skills



Top Certifications and Qualifications

| Qualification | Postings with Qualification |
|---|-----------------------------|
| CDL Class A License | 5,655 |
| Commercial Driver's License (CDL) | 5,565 |
| CDL Class B License | 1,505 |
| Hazmat Endorsement | 894 |
| Tanker Endorsement | 796 |
| Doubles Endorsement | 372 |
| Forklift Certification | 358 |
| DOT Certification | 259 |
| Triples Endorsement | 170 |
| Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) Card | 117 |

Talent Supply Detail

Talent Unemployment, Underemployment, and Educational Attainment

At an overall pathway unemployment rate of 2.6%, there are about 2,607 unemployed Truck Driving professionals statewide. An additional 12,888 Truck Driving professionals are underemployed, meaning they are working in roles for which they are overqualified by education or experience.

Truck Driving Pathway in Minnesota

| | | Empl (Place of Residence) | | | | | | | | Overall Occupation ¹ | | |
|--|---|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| SOC | Occupation | < High School | High School | Some College | 2-Year | 4-Year | Master's | PhD | Total Empl | Underemployed | Unemployed | Unempl Rate |
| 53-3031 | Driver/Sales Workers | 9.2% | 43.8% | 20.4% | 12.3% | 12.1% | 1.8% | 0.4% | 9,507 | 1,249 | 194 | 2.0% |
| 53-3032 | Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers | 9.0% | 44.0% | 20.4% | 12.6% | 11.9% | 1.7% | 0.4% | 38,843 | 4,583 | 781 | 2.0% |
| 53-3033 | Light Truck Drivers | 9.2% | 43.0% | 20.4% | 12.3% | 12.7% | 1.9% | 0.4% | 19,128 | 2,659 | 383 | 2.0% |
| 53-3051 | Bus Drivers, School | 4.1% | 37.4% | 23.9% | 16.3% | 14.3% | 3.2% | 0.9% | 10,548 | 1,665 | 566 | 5.1% |
| 53-3052 | Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity | 4.7% | 36.2% | 23.3% | 15.7% | 16.5% | 3.0% | 0.6% | 3,516 | 621 | 106 | 2.9% |
| 53-3053 | Shuttle Drivers and Chauffeurs | 6.2% | 29.8% | 19.4% | 12.8% | 24.0% | 5.8% | 2.0% | 4,768 | 1,314 | 262 | 5.2% |
| 53-7051 | Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators | 12.3% | 49.6% | 19.2% | 10.9% | 6.7% | 0.8% | 0.4% | 9,437 | 778 | 313 | 3.2% |
| 53-7121 | Tank Car, Truck, and Ship Loaders | 11.6% | 47.4% | 17.1% | 12.2% | 10.2% | 1.3% | 0.2% | 191 | 19 | 191 | 1.5% |
| Truck Driving Pathway (2023 Update) | | 8.6% | 42.6% | 20.7% | 12.9% | 12.6% | 2.1% | 0.5% | 95,937 | 12,888 | 2,607 | 2.6% |
| Total - All Occupations | | 4.9% | 21.1% | 15.4% | 14.1% | 30.4% | 10.3% | 3.8% | 2,944,602 | 511,822 | 68,550 | 2.3% |

Source: JobsEQ®

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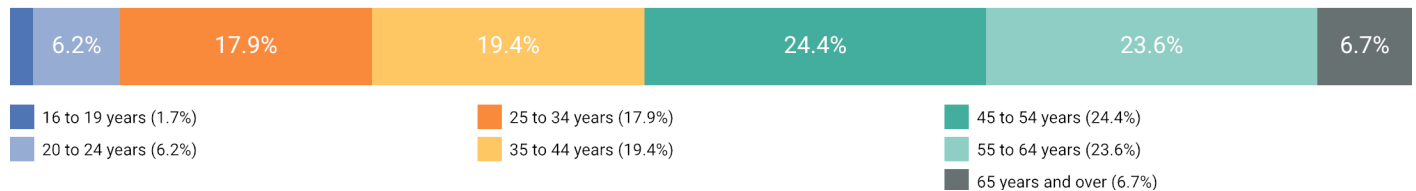
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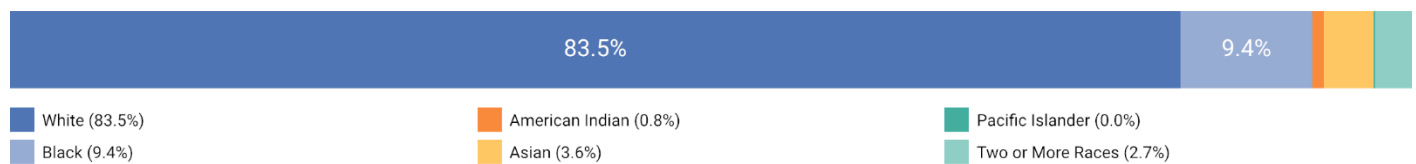
Workforce Demographics

The Truck Driving workforce is older on average than the workforce as a whole in Minnesota. About 7.9% of the Truck Driving workforce is under the age of 25, and 6.7% are over 64 years old. The largest demographic group by race are White, representing 83.5% of the total pathway's workforce, with the next largest cohort being Black talent representing 9.4% of the workforce. About 6.5% of the pathway's workforce are Hispanic or Latinx, and 13.1% are female.

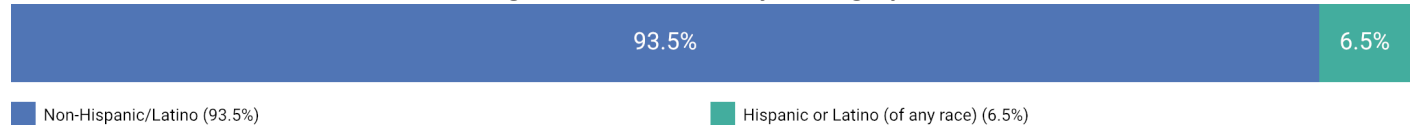
Truck Driving Workforce Age Demographics, 2022Q3



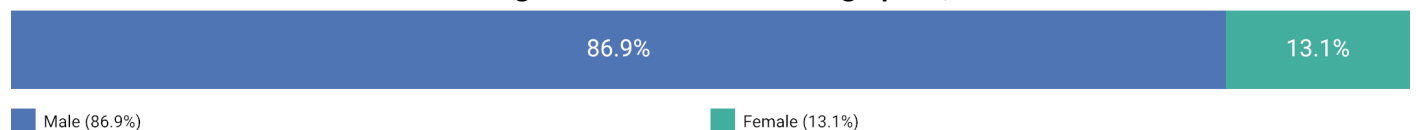
Truck Driving Workforce Race Demographics, 2022Q3



Truck Driving Workforce Ethnicity Demographics, 2022Q3



Truck Driving Workforce Gender Demographics, 2022Q3



Graduate Demographics

Nearly 87% of students who obtained a truck driving or trucking instructor certificate from an accredited program reporting to NCES IPEDS in SY2021 were male, and 76.2% were non-Hispanic White students, aligning closely to the overall workforce demographics of the pathway.³ In addition, there are many truck driving schools and academies in Minnesota which culminate in preparation for the knowledge test and road test. Of the twelve published on the Minnesota Department of Public Safety's website, six are in the seven-county MSP metro area.⁴ There are over three million people in Minnesota with drivers' licenses, but an estimate of commercial licenses was unavailable at the time of the writing of this report. Other resources available online publish comprehensive lists of CDL schools in Minnesota.⁵

Race and Gender of Graduates Receiving Postsecondary Awards in SY2021, Minnesota

| CIP Code | Description | All 2021 Graduates | International Student* | Black or African American, non-Hispanic | American Indian or Alaska Native | Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | Hispanic or Latino | White, non-Hispanic | Multiple or unknown race/ethnicity | Gender - Males | Gender - Females |
|----------|---|--------------------|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 49.0205 | Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor | 84 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 64 | 6 | 73 | 11 |
| | Truck Driving Postsecondary Programs, Percent | 100% | 1.2% | 3.6% | 0.0% | 2.4% | 9.5% | 76.2% | 7.1% | 86.9% | 13.1% |

IPEDS SY2021 demographics by award conferred. Count of awards may double count individuals who obtained multiple credentials in the same calendar year. *[NCES IPEDS](https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-definitions) refers to international students that do not have resident status in the United States as "nonresident aliens." This title aligns to Federal tax definitions and according to NCES IPEDS refers to "a person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who is in this country on a visa or temporary basis and does not have the right to remain indefinitely. Note: Nonresident aliens are reported separately, rather than in any of the racial/ethnic categories." They are not included in calculations of BIPOC talent in this report as race and ethnicity information is not provided for these international students. The terminology of "international student" has been used in this report as it is more familiar to a common audience. <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-definitions>. For more information, view this article from Berkeley on tax filing status of international students. <https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/taxes/tax-filing-status>

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⁴ Minnesota Department of Public Safety. Licensed Truck Driver Training Schools. November 2022. <https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/forms-documents/Documents/LicensedTruckDriverTrainingList.pdf>

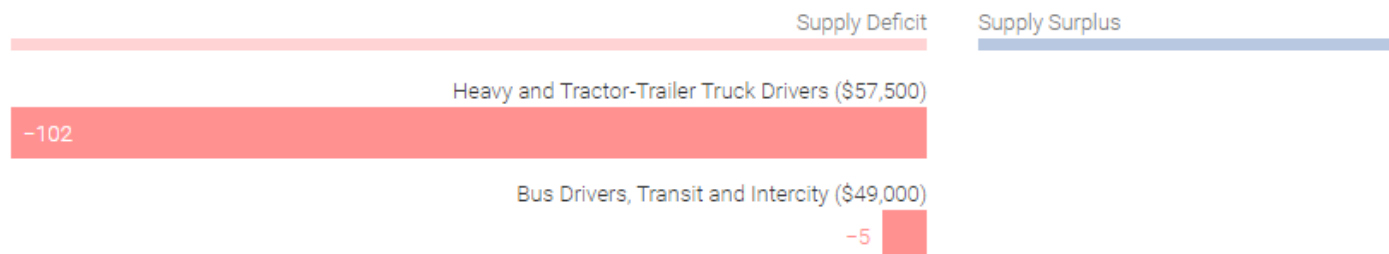
⁵ CDL Training Today. <https://cdltrainingtoday.com/schools/mn/>

Talent Gap Analysis

Occupation Gaps

By 2027, both Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers and Transit Bus Drivers are now forecast to have talent shortages in the short- and long-term, breaking from last year's evaluation of local talent pool sufficiency. In addition, the location of talent in relation to opportunities available may not be fully aligned.

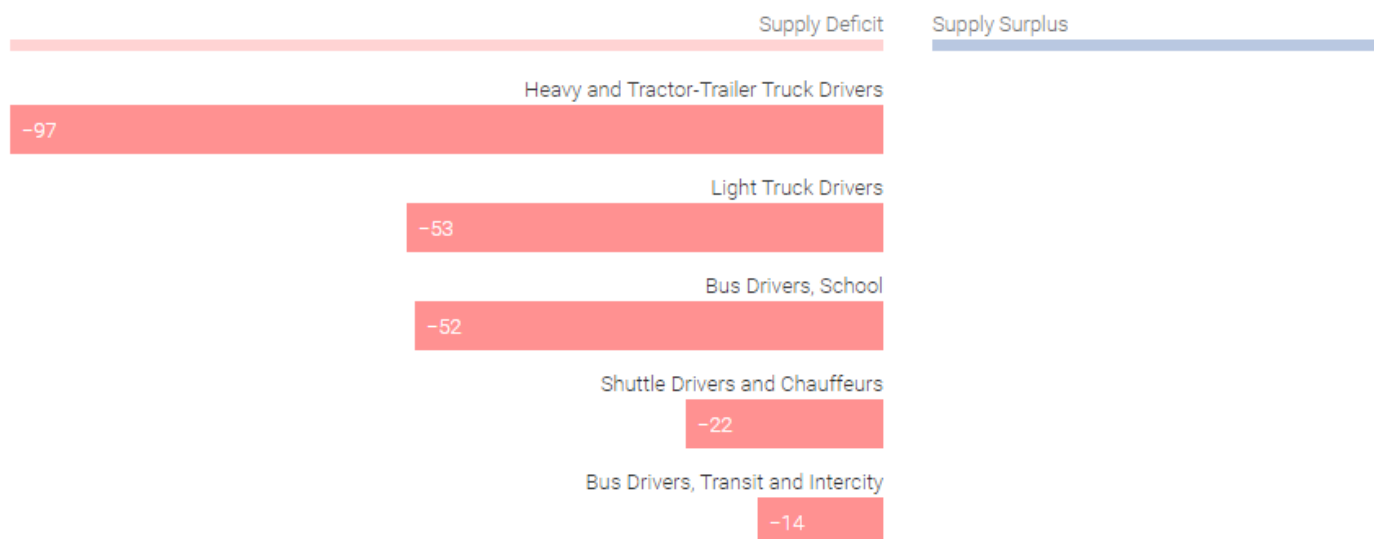
Estimated Occupation Gaps over Five Years, Minnesota 2022Q3



Award Gaps

Minnesota postsecondary institutions are underproducing Truck Driver certificates when compared to national benchmarks for how many awards are typically conferred per local demand. This award gap coupled with the talent shortages highlighted above suggest that increasing the volume of graduates out of existing Truck and Bus Driver programs, or building new two- and four-year programs that would fill the shortages of new talent needed to enter into the occupations listed below.

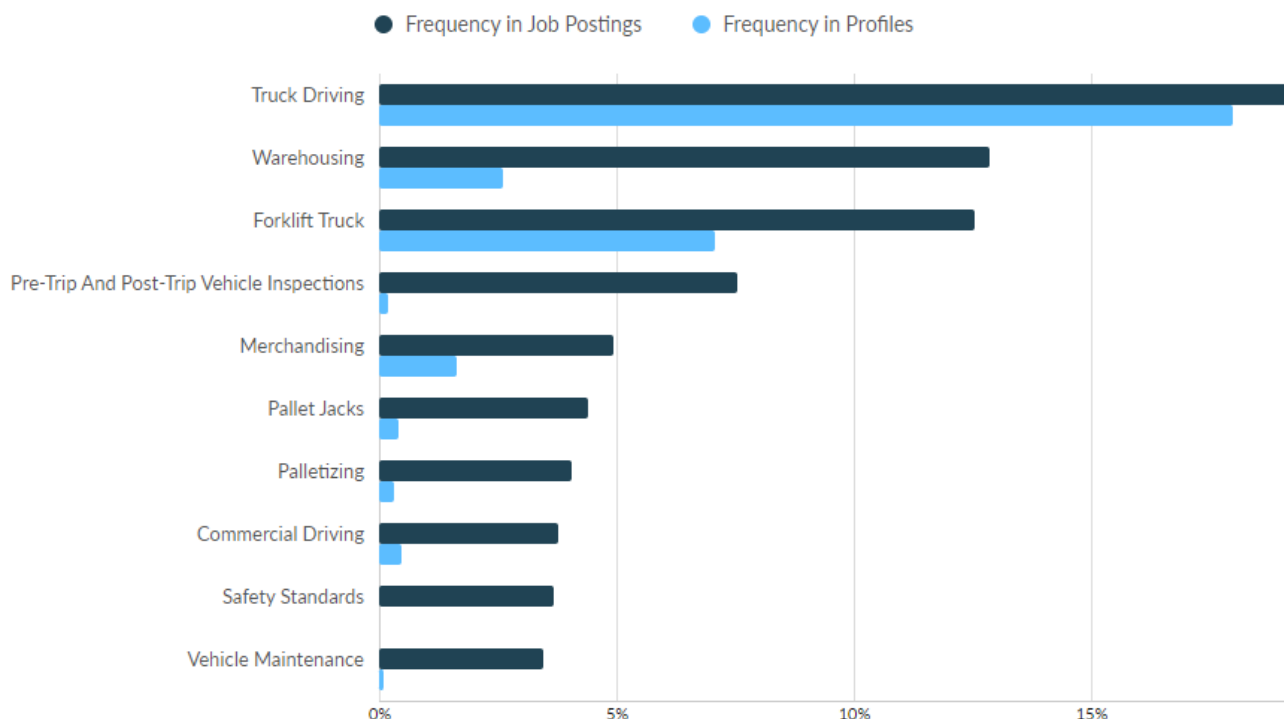
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Skill Misalignments

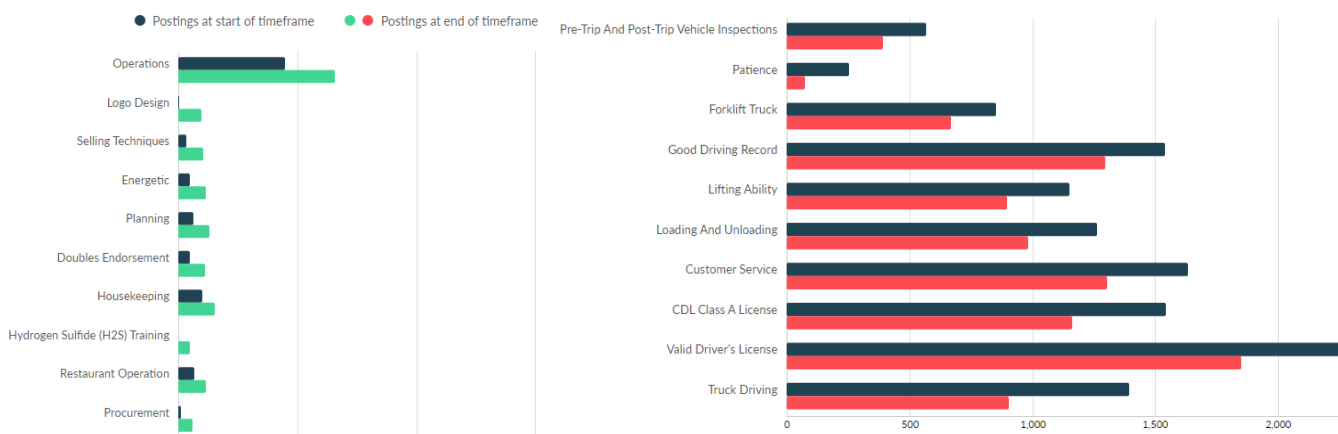
A number of specialized skills are more frequent in job postings than in candidate profiles found online, while others are found more frequently in profiles than they are mentioned in postings. Experience in warehousing, operating forklifts, inspecting vehicles, and merchandising are all more frequently referenced in job postings online than they are mentioned in talent profiles.

Percent of Pathway Job Postings and Online Talent Profiles Indicating Specialized Skills in Minnesota, 2022



Several baseline requirements, such as operations, sales, and planning have been trending up at the close of 2022, while several core skills mentioned above are less frequent now in job postings than in prior years. The chart below indicates skills that have increased in frequency in online job postings between January and December 2022 (shown in green) and those that have declined in frequency (shown in red). Overall, having a valid driver's license, a good driving record, and strong customer service skills have remained the top three most consistent requirements listed in job postings.

Pathway Hot and Cold Skills in Demand in Minnesota, 2022



High Need, High Demand Pathways

There were a total of 84 awards conferred at three different Minnesota postsecondary institutions in programs aligned to Truck Driving careers in SY2021. All of these awards were short-term certificates. The average school had about 28 completions, ranging from 25 to 30 completions. No programs were delivered remotely. In all, there are twelve driving training schools in Minnesota that train in CDL Class A, B, or C and offer preparation for knowledge tests and road tests, according to the Minnesota Department of Public Safety. These are listed in the Frequently Asked Questions section at the end of this report.⁶

Truck Driving Postsecondary Program Awards by Level, SY2021

| CIP Code | Title | Certificate < 1 Yr | Certificate 1+ but < 2 Yr | Associate's | Certificate 2+ but < 4 Yr | Bachelor's | Master's | Doctorate | Total Awards |
|----------|---|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|------------|----------|-----------|--------------|
| 49.0205 | Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor | 84 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 84 |
| | Total | 84 (100%) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 84 |



| | Completions (2021) | % Completions | Institutions (2021) | % Institutions |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------------|----------------|
| ● All Programs | 84 | 100% | 3 | 100% |
| ● Distance Offered Programs | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| ● Non-Distance Offered Programs | 84 | 100% | 3 | 100% |

All awards were conferred by public two-year institutions in SY2021. Completions are down overall by 57.1% from 2012.

Truck Driving Postsecondary Program Awards by Institution, SY2021

| Institution | Completions (2021) | Growth % YOY (2021) | Market Share (2021) | IPEDS Tuition & Fees (2021) | Completions Trend (2017-2021) |
|--|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Riverland Community College | 30 | -3.2% | 35.7% | \$6,060 | |
| Alexandria Technical & Community College | 29 | 61.1% | 34.5% | \$5,910 | |
| Minnesota State College Southeast | 25 | 8.7% | 29.8% | \$6,562 | |

A current list of CDL training schools associated with postsecondary institutions⁷ in Minnesota include:

- [Interstate Truck Driving School](#)
- [Alexandria Technical & Community College](#)
- [Century College](#)
- [Dakota County Technical College](#)

⁶ Minnesota Department of Public Safety. Licensed Truck Driver Training. November 2022. <https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/forms-documents/Documents/LicensedTruckDriverTrainingList.pdf>

⁷ CDL Training Today. <https://cdltrainingtoday.com/schools/mn/>

- [Minnesota State College – Southeast Technical](#)
- [Riverland Community College](#)
- [St. Cloud Technical & Community College](#)
- [Transportation Center for Excellence](#)
- [Lake Superior College](#)
- [Central Lakes College](#)

Drivers are most severely needed in the Heavy Truck Driving space, though shortages exist across the spectrum of commercial driver and bus driver opportunities. All three institutions offering truck driving programs may consider growth given local employer demand.

Promising Approaches to Addressing Possible Misalignments

A variety of strategies may improve the outlook for transportation talent in need. In the Truck Driving pathway, all occupations have low talent diversity by gender. Many also have a higher than average share of their workforce that is over 45 years of age. Similarly, graduate diversity and graduate volumes are lagging.

Postsecondary Strategy Summary Table, Minnesota 2022

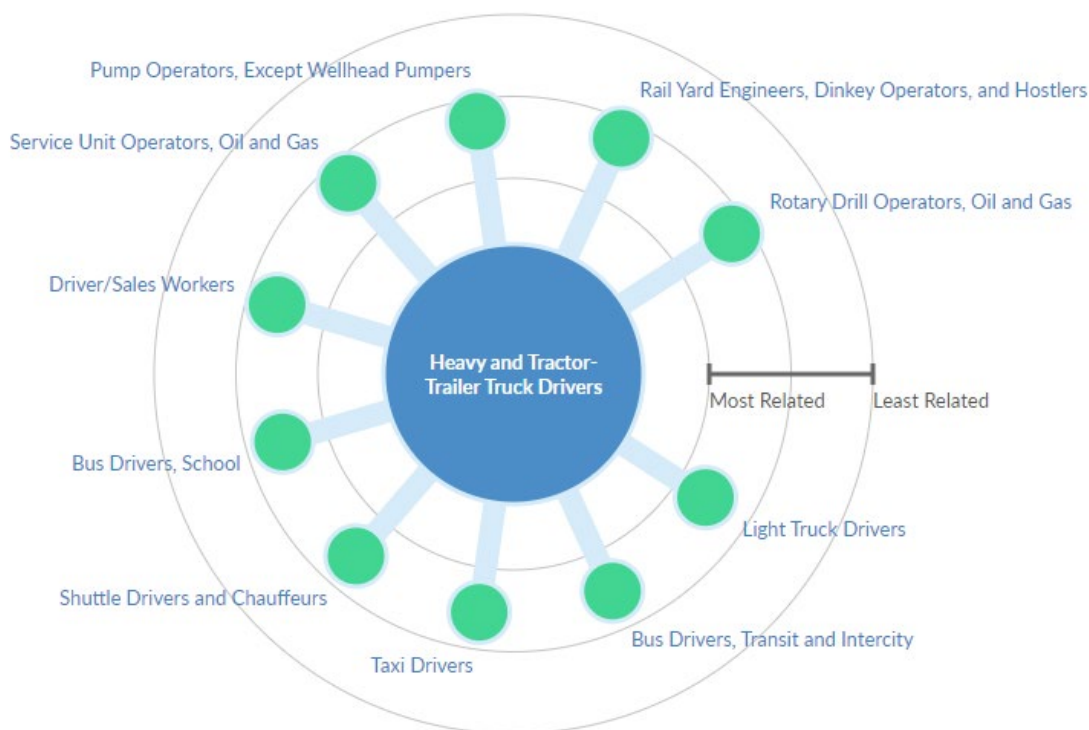
| Occupation | Related Programs* | 2022Q3 Empl | Talent Shortage | Workforce BIPOC by Race | Workforce Hispanic/Latinx | Workforce Female | Workforce Under 45 | SY2021 Graduates (Certificate and AA/AS only) | Award Gap (All Award Levels) | Graduates BIPOC by Race or Ethnicity (All Award Levels) | Graduates Female (All Award Levels) |
|---|--|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---|------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers | | 39,919 | Y | 13.9% | 6.2% | 8.1% | 45.2% | 84 | Y | 22.6% | 13.1% |
| Light Truck Drivers | | 19,832 | N | 16.6% | 6.6% | 8.1% | 46.4% | 84 | Y | 22.6% | 13.1% |
| Bus Drivers, School | | 10,788 | N | 17.4% | 4.9% | 30.1% | 39.9% | 84 | Y | 22.6% | 13.1% |
| Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators | | 9,821 | N | 19.2% | 10.4% | 10.0% | 57.5% | 84 | N | 22.6% | 13.1% |
| Drivers/Sales Workers | | 9,758 | N | 16.8% | 6.5% | 8.5% | 46.2% | N/A | N | N/A | N/A |
| Shuttle Drivers and Chauffeurs | | 4,900 | N | 23.2% | 5.5% | 30.2% | 41.9% | 84 | Y | 22.6% | 13.1% |
| Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity | | 3,636 | Y | 24.4% | 3.8% | 42.0% | 23.4% | 84 | Y | 22.6% | 13.1% |
| Tank Car, Truck, and Ship Loaders | | 191 | N | 14.6% | 7.4% | 21.2% | 53.3% | NA | N | N/A | N/A |
| Truck Driving Pathway | Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor | 21,227 | Y | 16.5% | 6.5% | 13.1% | 45.2% | 84 | Y | 22.6% | 13.1% |
| All Occupations | | 3,038,766 | | 15.0% | 5.2% | 48.3% | 56.5% | 29,484 | | 37.3% | 65.6% |

NOTE: Red highlighting indicates lower than overall share of workforce or graduate pool, or existence of occupation or award gap. *There is only one program associated with occupations in this career pathway. For this reason, the Graduate and Demographics columns have identical information.

Career Pathway Opportunities

When considering occupations that have significant skill and experience overlap with the occupations of highest need in this pathway, the majority have low employment numbers or are other careers in the Transportation sector that share high demand. The graphic below offers several careers related to the Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Driver occupation in skill demands that have highly relevant skill and experience overlap that would be strong feeder occupations for talent.

Feeder Occupations into Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Driver Roles, 2023Q1



| Occupation | Category | Relevance | Avg. Unique Monthly Postings from Jan 2022 - Dec 2022 | Mean Salary Diff. |
|---|---------------------|-----------|---|-------------------|
| Light Truck Drivers | Advancement | 80% | 356 | -\$27,639 |
| Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity | Advancement | 74% | 34 | -\$28,942 |
| Taxi Drivers | Advancement | 73% | 33 | -\$31,978 |
| Shuttle Drivers and Chauffeurs | Advancement | 73% | 32 | -\$31,978 |
| Bus Drivers, School | Advancement | 73% | 26 | -\$31,978 |
| Driver/Sales Workers | Advancement | 69% | 510 | -\$31,542 |
| Service Unit Operators, Oil and Gas | Lateral Advancement | 65% | 0 | -\$17,927 |
| Pump Operators, Except Wellhead Pumps | Lateral Advancement | 64% | 3 | -\$21,519 |
| Rail Yard Engineers, Dinkey Operators, and Hostlers | Lateral Advancement | 61% | 0 | -\$23,596 |
| Rotary Drill Operators, Oil and Gas | Lateral Advancement | 61% | 3 | -\$12,533 |

FAQ

What is a location quotient?

A location quotient (LQ) is a measurement of concentration in comparison to the nation. An LQ of 1.00 indicates a region has the same concentration of an industry (or occupation) as the nation. An LQ of 2.00 would mean the region has twice the expected employment compared to the nation and an LQ of 0.50 would mean the region has half the expected employment in comparison to the nation.

What is a cluster?

A cluster is a geographic concentration of interrelated industries or occupations. If a regional cluster has a location quotient of 1.25 or greater, the region is considered to possess a competitive advantage in that cluster.

What is separation demand?

Separation demand is the number of jobs required due to separations—labor force exits (including retirements) and turnover resulting from workers moving from one occupation into another. Note that separation demand does not include all turnover—it does not include when workers stay in the same occupation but switch employers. The total projected demand for an occupation is the sum of the separation demand and the growth demand (which is the increase or decrease of jobs in an occupation expected due to expansion or contraction of the overall number of jobs in that occupation).

What is the difference between industry wages and occupation wages?

Industry wages and occupation wages are estimated via separate data sets, often the time periods being reported do not align, and wages are defined slightly differently in the two systems (for example, certain bonuses are included in the industry wages but not the occupation wages). It is therefore common that estimates of the average industry wages and average occupation wages in a region do not match exactly.

What is NAICS?

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is used to classify business establishments according to the type of economic activity. The NAICS Code comprises six levels, from the “all industry” level to the 6-digit level. The first two digits define the top level category, known as the “sector,” which is the level examined in this report.

What is SOC?

The Standard Occupational Classification system (SOC) is used to classify workers into occupational categories. All workers are classified into one of over 804 occupations according to their occupational definition. To facilitate classification, occupations are combined to form 22 major groups, 95 minor groups, and 452 occupation groups. Each occupation group includes detailed occupations requiring similar job duties, skills, education, or experience.

What has been updated since the 2021 report?

Several occupation codes were updated recently by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, giving new SOC codes and descriptors to several occupations within the Transportation sector. The only pathway that had a SOC code that was split into multiple new codes was the Truck Driving Pathway. The table below indicates what old SOC codes have been replaced with. School Bus Drivers was added to the search, but was excluded in prior versions of this report in 2020 and 2021.

| SOC (OLD) | Occupation (OLD) | SOC (OLD) | Occupation (NEW) |
|-----------------------|--|-----------|---|
| 53-3032 | Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers | 53-3032 | Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers |
| 53-3033 | Light Truck Drivers | 53-3033 | Light Truck Drivers |
| 53-3058 | Passenger Vehicle Drivers, Except Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity | 53-3053 | Shuttle Drivers and Chauffeurs |
| 53-7051 | Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators | 53-7051 | Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators |
| 53-3031 | Driver/Sales Workers | 53-3031 | Driver/Sales Workers |
| 53-3052 | Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity | 53-3052 | Bus Drivers, Transit and Intercity |
| 53-7121 | Tank Car, Truck, and Ship Loaders | 53-7121 | Tank Car, Truck, and Ship Loaders |
| | | 53-3051 | Bus Drivers, School |
| Truck Driving Pathway | | | |

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