



Mechanical Engineers

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What Is It?

Perform engineering duties in planning and designing tools, engines, machines, and other mechanically functioning equipment. Oversee installation, operation, maintenance, and repair of equipment such as centralized heat, gas, water, and steam systems.

What Do They Typically Do?

- Drafting, Laying Out, and Specifying Technical Devices, Parts, and Equipment
- Working with Computers
- Making Decisions and Solving Problems

Annual Income:

- Entry Level: \$62,040
- Typical: \$77,420
- Experienced: \$117,790

Major Employers:

Manufacturing, Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services

What do I do next?

Learn about the job culture:

- Schedule at least one informational interview
- Conduct a job shadow, if possible
- Research available volunteer or intern opportunities

Prepare for training:

- Visit and call trade schools or colleges that offer a related program
- Research regional job openings at: idahoworks.gov

Explore all pathways to certification:

labor.idaho.gov/jobscape

Talk to your school counselor or advisor for more information

Get started today!

Ask about the career & technical programs at your school or nearby technical college.

Check out Idaho Digital Learning Academy for online opportunities: idahodigitallearning.org

For tips, tools, and resources to learn how your skills and interests can translate to a rewarding career, visit the Next Steps Idaho website.

www.NextSteps.Idaho.gov



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