



Grinding, Lapping, Polishing, & Buffing Machine Tool Setters, Operators, & Tenders, Metal & Plastic

**NEXT
STEPS**
IDAHO

What Is It?

Set up, operate, or tend grinding and related tools that remove excess material or burrs from surfaces, sharpen edges or corners, or buff, hone, or polish metal or plastic work pieces.

What Do They Typically Do?

- Controlling Machines and Processes
- Handling and Moving Objects
- Documenting/Recording Information

Annual Income:

- Entry Level: \$31,300
- Typical: \$38,340
- Experienced: \$44,210

Major Employers:

Manufacturing

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



Data provided by O*NET National Resource Center, onetcenter.org and Idaho Department of Labor

A proud partner of the [americanjobcenter](http://americanjobcenter.org) network