



Plating Machine Setters, Operators, & Tenders, Metal & Plastic

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What Is It?

Set up, operate, or tend plating machines to coat metal or plastic products with chromium, zinc, copper, cadmium, nickel, or other metal to protect or decorate surfaces. Typically, the product being coated is immersed in molten metal or an electrolytic solution.

What Do They Typically Do?

- Handling and Moving Objects
- Communicating with Supervisors, Peers, or Subordinates
- Monitoring Processes, Materials, or Surroundings

Annual Income:

- Entry Level: \$31,210
- Typical: \$41,400
- Experienced: \$46,150

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



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