ADVANCED MANUFACTURING

San Diego County



DID YOU KNOW?

The Advanced Manufacturing sector plays a significant role in the global economy and continues to evolve as new technologies and sustainable practices emerge. The sector encompasses a wide range of industries and technologies and key industries include aerospace, maritime, clean technology, biomedical devices and products, pharmaceuticals, sporting goods and food & beverage.









0% (-444)

5-year projected job growth[^]



\$99,872

average earnings per job

ESSENTIAL SKILLS:

- Using and maintaining machines and equipment
- Troubleshooting
- Active listening
- Speaking, writing skills
- Working with others
- Organizing, planning, and prioritizing work

- Working with your hands
- Using math and science to analyze information
- Critical thinking
- Working with software
- · Detail oriented
- Mechanically minded

Sample of Local Employers

Cymer Incorporated

Dexcom, Inc.

General Atomics

GKN Aerospace

Hunter Industries

Northrop Grumman Innovation Systems

Quality Controlled Manufacturing, Inc.

SeaSpine, Inc.

Solar Turbines, Inc.

Taylor Guitars

SPECIALIZATIONS:

- Computer Numerically Controlled Tool Operators
- Maintenance and Repair Workers
- Machinists
- Engineers

*Labor market data derived from Lightcast 2023.3; QCEW, Non-QCEW, Self-Employed; 2022-2027 projections.

^Please note that job growth/ decline does not equal labor market demand; demand is represented by annual job openings



Minimum Education	Career Pathways	Hourly Rate (Salary)*
HS Diploma + Postsecondary Training (e.g., Certificate)	Computer Numerically Controlled Tool Operators	\$18 (\$37K)
	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	\$18 (\$37K)
	Machinists	\$20 (\$42K)
	Structural Iron and Steel Workers	\$23 (\$48K)
	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	\$24 (\$50K)
Associate Degree or Higher	Aerospace Engineering and Operations Technologists and Technicians	\$27 (\$56K)
	Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technologists and Technicians	\$29 (\$60K)
	Civil Engineering Technologists and Technicians	\$31 (\$64K)
	Mechanical Engineers	\$37 (\$77K)
	Electrical Engineers	\$42 (\$87K)

^{*}Entry-level hourly rates have been rounded up and salaries are provided as examples of what workers would make if they worked full-time (2080 hours a year)

NOT SURE WHAT YOU'RE INTERESTED IN?

Take the Interest Profiler on the California Career Zone (https://www.cacareerzone.org/)! It will help you explore goals based on your interests. A career counselor at your school can help you further assess your career interests.

HOW TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT CAREERS

- Talk to your teachers and counselors about career exploration, career pathways at your school, and community college career education programs.
- Talk to family, neighbors, and mentors about their education path and about how they chose their career.
- To learn more about the career education programs offered at the community colleges or to find the programs that align to the high school CTE pathways or adult schools, visit https://careered.org/k14-program-finder/.







