

Auto Body Repairers



Occupational Profile

OVERVIEW

Repair and refinish automotive vehicle bodies and straighten vehicle frames. Belongs to the Transportation, Distribution and Logistics career cluster and Facility and Facility and Mobile Equipment Maintenance career pathway.

SKILLS & KNOWLEDGE NEEDED

Basic Skills:

- Repairing
- Active Listening
- Complex Problem Solving
- Monitoring
- Operation and Control

Technology Skills:

- Accounting Software
- Calendar and Scheduling Software
- Data Base User Interface and Query Software
- Inventory Management Software
- Operating System Software

Knowledge:

- Mechanical
- English Language
- Customer and Personal Service
- Public Safety and Security

DOES THIS DESCRIBE YOU?

Work Interests are involve descriptive categories (compatible with Holland's Model) attributed to success in this career:

- **Realistic** – Involves work activities that include practical, hands-on problems and solutions; often dealing with plants, animals, and real-world materials like wood, tools, and machinery.

Work Styles depict worker characteristics conducive for this career:

- **Attention to Detail**
- **Dependability**
- **Persistence**
- **Achievement/Effort**
- **Cooperation**

Work Values are associated with aspects of work that provide satisfaction in this career:

- **Relationships**—Provide service to others in noncompetitive environment.
- **Support**—Management backing.
- **Independence**—Autonomy; working on your own.

Aptitudes reflect an ability to acquire skills and knowledge for success in this career:

- **Oral Comprehension**
- **Information Ordering**
- **Manual Dexterity**
- **Near Vision**
- **Category Flexibility**

ESTIMATED & PROJECTED EMPLOYMENT

Occupational Title	2014 Estimated Employment	2024 Projected Employment	2014-24 Employment Change	Annual Growth Rate (%)	Total Annual Openings
Total, All Occupations	1,795,100	1,949,240	154,140	0.9	58,145
Installation, Maintenance, & Repair Occupations	70,155	77,670	7,510	1.1	2,385
Automotive Body & Related Repairers	2,175	2,460	285	1.3	80

Source: <https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/occupational-projections>

2017 WAGE & SALARY (\$)

Occupational Title	Mean Wage	Mean Salary	Entry Wage	Entry Salary	Exp Wage	Exp Salary
Total All Occupations	20.93	43,539	10.09	20,991	26.35	54,813
Installation, Maintenance, & Repair Occupations	21.36	44,429	13.63	28,357	25.22	52,466
Automotive Body & Related Repairers	19.09	39,717	12.10	25,171	22.59	46,990

Source: <https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/occupational-employment-and-wages>

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Education	Work Experience	Job Training
High School Diploma	None	Long-Term On-The-Job

A diploma is required for most auto body repairer positions with training received from vocational schools, industry-based programs, and/or apprenticeships. Sources: <https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/occupational-projections>, https://www.bls.gov/emp/ep_education_training_system.htm, and <https://www.dol.gov/apprenticeship/>

NATIONAL CAREER READINESS CERTIFICATE (NCRC)

Skill	Median Skill Level	Minimum Skill Level	Maximum Skill Level
Applied Mathematics	3	3	3
Locating Information	3	3	4
Reading for Information	4	3	4
Applied Technology	4	4	4
Business Writing	1	1	1
Workplace Observation	2	1	4
Listening for Understanding	2	1	2

An ACT assessment-based credential issued in determining essential work skills needed for employment success across industries and occupations. The greater the score, the greater the skill level (Bronze = 3, Silver = 4, Gold = 5, Platinum = 6 & higher). Source: <http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/workkeys-for-employers/assessments.html>

PRIMARY INDUSTRY SECTORS

(Where are Auto Body Repairers Employed?)

Repair and Maintenance
 Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers
 Self Employed
 Merchant Wholesalers
 Truck Transportation

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