



Roy Keith - 49

I like being an industrial machinery mechanic. I like fixing things, and I'm really good with machines, engines, and parts. We typically do a lot of preventative maintenance, but we're also the team that fixes the machines when they are down. That is the most important part of our job. Every minute that equipment is down is time that our guys can't work.

While you do have to get training and certification, you don't have to go to college for this job. Our group has really great teamwork. It is a solid, steady job, and I like what I do.

Occupation:

Industrial Machinery
Mechanic

Salary:

\$70,000

Education:

High School Diploma
or Equivalent

Job Description:

Industrial Machinery Mechanics repair, install, adjust, or maintain industrial production and processing machinery or refinery and pipeline distribution systems. May also install, dismantle, or move machinery and heavy equipment according to plans.*



Job Description:

SOC Code: 49-9041

Top Job Skills:

- Welding
- Industrial maintenance
- Preventative maintenance
- Good computer skills
- Divide in all units of measure

General Work Activities:

- Mental Processes
 - Analyze performance data to assess equipment operation
- Information Input
 - Inspect mechanical equipment to locate damage, defects, or wear
 - Test mechanical equipment to ensure proper functioning
 - Observe equipment in operation to detect potential problems
- Work Output
 - Maintain work equipment or machinery
 - Repair worn, damaged, or defective mechanical parts
 - Adjust equipment to ensure optimal performance
 - Clean equipment, parts, or tools to repair or maintain them in good working order
 - Disassemble equipment for maintenance or repair
 - Reassemble equipment after repair
 - Maintain repair or maintenance records

Source: SC Works Online Services (SCWOS)

LEARN MORE WITH SCWOS:

SC Works Online Services (SCWOS) is the state's largest job database and provides all of South Carolina's job postings from all major sites, including Monster and Career Builder, in one resource. SCWOS has thousands of positions listed by employers all over the state. To access SCWOS, visit jobs.scworks.org.

Find in-depth breakdowns of occupational statistics such as necessary job certifications, job skills and abilities, current job openings, overview of general work activities, and more by visiting [O*NET.org](https://www.o*net.org).

JOB STATISTICS:



Typical Wage Range

\$47,650 - \$70,010



Projected Growth

1,005/yr Job Openings



Employed In-State

9,200



Required Education

High School Diploma
or Equivalent



Work Experience

Typically
Requires None



On-the-Job Training

Long-Term
On-the-job Training

*Source: Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS) and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

EXAMPLES OF WORKFORCE AREAS WITH JOB OPENINGS:

Source: SC Works Online Services. Ask an SC Works representative for more information about postings in your area.

- Midlands
- Catawba
- Worklink
- Greenville
- Santee-Lynches
- Trident

EXAMPLES OF EMPLOYERS WITH JOB OPENINGS:

Source: SC Works Online Services. Ask an SC Works representative for more information about postings in your area.

- Silfab Solar
- Charleston Water System
- UIC Technical Services
- Alpek Polyester
- Boise Cascade Holdings, LLC
- BD

RELATED OCCUPATIONS*:

- Electric Motor, Power Tool, and Related Repairers
- Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines
- Milling and Planing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic
- Millwrights

NOTE: All data based on state averages. Information may vary depending on region, experience, and specific employment situation. Last Updated: 2024.