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Most people think of construction workers when they think of jobs needed in growing cities. As a locksmith, I get to help business owners and homeowners by installing, repairing, rebuilding, or servicing their locks and locking devices to keep their properties secure. Also, with all the turnover in rental properties, my services are always in demand.

I love interacting with my customers and educating them about new options for safekeeping their belongings as well as their homes, families, or employees. They depend on me, and I appreciate their trust in me.

**Occupation:** 

Locksmith

Salary:

\$42,957

**Education:** 

High School Diploma or Equivalent

# Job Description:

**Locksmiths and Safe Repairers** repair and open locks, make keys, change locks and safe combinations, and install and repair safes.\*



# **Job Description:**

SOC Code: 49-9094

## Top Job Skills:

- Record keeping
- Repair parts
- · Customer service
- · Maintain equipment
- Troubleshooting

## **General Work Activities:**

- · Information Input
  - Keep records of company locks and keys
  - Set up and maintain master key systems
- · Work Output
  - Cut materials according to specifications or needs
  - Disassemble equipment for maintenance or repair
  - Repair worn, damaged, or defective mechanical parts
  - Fabricate parts or components
  - Drill holes in parts, equipment, or materials
  - Install hardware or other interior fixtures
  - Replace worn, damaged, or defective mechanical parts
  - Set equipment guides, stops, spacers, or other fixtures
  - Disable door locks
  - Repair structural components
  - Assemble electrical components, subsystems, or systems

**Source:** SC Works Online Services (SCWOS)

### JOB STATISTICS:



**Typical Wage Range** \$17,990 - \$46,360



Projected Growth
11/yr Job Openings

Employed In-State



**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.

- Worklink
- · Santee-Lynches
- · Trident
- Upper Savannah

#### **EXAMPLES OF EMPLOYERS WITH JOB OPENINGS:**

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

- Berkeley County School District
- · Clemson University
- Justice, Bureau of Prisons /Federal Prison System

## RELATED OCCUPATIONS\*:

- Security and Fire Alarm Systems Installers
- Elevator and Escalator Installers and Repairers
- Helpers—Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers
- · Mechanical Door Repairers

#### **LEARN MORE WITH SCWOS:**

**NOTE:** All data based on state averages. Information may vary depending on region, experience, and specific employment situation. **Last Updated:** 2025.

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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 <u>O\*NET.org</u>.

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