

Pathway: Plumbing

Get the Facts:

Plumbers install and repair water, drainage, and gas pipes in homes, businesses, and factories. They install and repair large water lines. Plumbers also install plumbing fixtures— bathtubs, showers, sinks, and toilets—and appliances such as dishwashers, garbage disposals, and water heaters.

Master plumbers on construction jobs may be involved with developing blueprints that show where all the pipes and fixtures will go. Their input helps ensure that a structure’s plumbing meets building codes, stays within budget, and works well with the location of other features, such as electric wires.

Workforce Trends:

Employment of Plumbers is projected to GROW 12 percent from 2014 to 2024, faster than the average for all occupations.

Workers with knowledge of Building Information Modeling (BIM) should have the best job opportunities.

Plumbing is:

- High demand
- Medium wage
- High skill

Occupation Outlook:



The Utah statewide annual median wage:

Plumber with an apprenticeship= \$51,540

College and Career:

There are a number of options for education and training beyond high school, depending on your career goals. The following colleges offer plumbing apprenticeship programs.

MATC - Completion of the MATC Plumbing Apprenticeship Program and Utah State Journeyman Licensure at the MATC Orem Campus allows students to apply for transfer credit towards an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in an Apprenticeship Plumbing Independent Technology Degree, at Salt Lake Community College (SLCC).

MATC’s Apprenticeship programs are composed of two parts: (1) on-the- job training
2) Classroom instruction.

SLCC - Plumber Independent Apprenticeship; Plumber/Pipefitter JATC Apprenticeship