

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Program Outlook



Employment of automotive service technicians and mechanics is projected to grow 6 percent from 2016 to 2026, about as fast as the average for all occupations. Job opportunities for qualified jobseekers should be very good. Employers prefer that automotive service technicians and mechanics complete a program at a postsecondary institution. Industry certification is usually required once the person is employed. Overall employment of electrical and electronics installers and repairers is projected to show little or no change from 2016 to 2026. However, growth rates will vary by specialty. Job opportunities should be best for qualified workers with an associate’s degree in electronics.

Employment Information			
	Greater Kansas City Area <small>(15 counties in KC Metropolitan Statistical Area)</small>	State of Kansas	National
2019	6,161	6,891	692,561
2024 Projected	6,355	9,889	716,981
% Change	3.1%	0.0%	3.5%

Salary Information <small>(Median Hourly Wage)</small>			
	Greater Kansas City Area <small>(15 counties in KC Metropolitan Statistical area)</small>	State of Kansas	National
2019	\$20.61	\$18.45	\$19.67

JCCC Completer Information <small>(2017-2018 Academic Year)</small>	
% Employed in Related Field	Median Hourly Wage
89%	\$17.00

The JCCC Office of Institutional Research conducts a follow-up study of program completers one year after completion.

Note: Salary Information for Greater Kansas City, State, and National is based on EMSI 2018 fourth quarter data. (Release 2019.3)
JCCC information for career program completers is based on data supplied by respondents to follow-up studies and is not necessarily representative of all career program completers. Other sources: Bureau of Labor Statistics