



GULF COAST REGION

Manufacturing Cluster

Entry- Level Employee Wage	Experienced Employee Wage	Expected Number of Annual Job Openings
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Less Than High School

Helpers--Production Workers (ST OJT)	\$17,219	\$29,034	450
Machine Feeders & Offbearers (ST OJT)	\$22,627	\$38,052	55
Grinding & Polishing Workers, Hand (MT OJT)	\$20,550	\$32,833	30
Sewing Machine Operators (ST OJT)	\$18,198	\$27,629	25
Food Processing Workers, All Other (MT OJT)	\$17,025	\$26,588	25
Sewers, Hand (MT OJT)	\$18,881	\$28,358	15
Painting, Coating, & Decorating Workers (MT OJT)	\$19,987	\$38,479	10
Cleaning, Washing, & Metal Pickling Equipment Operators & Tenders (MT OJT)	\$17,292	\$29,876	10
Cutters & Trimmers, Hand (ST OJT)	\$20,141	\$31,478	10

High School Diploma or Equivalent

Welders, Cutters, Solderers, & Brazers (MT OJT)	\$27,929	\$51,461	870
Industrial Machinery Mechanics (LT OJT)	\$32,058	\$62,439	825
Machinists (LT OJT)	\$28,426	\$50,666	780
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, & Weighers (MT OJT)	\$24,360	\$52,368	680
Team Assemblers (MT OJT)	\$18,640	\$32,828	650
First-Line Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, & Repairers (Exp)	\$42,469	\$79,728	515
Production, Planning, & Expediting Clerks (MT OJT)	\$29,201	\$63,802	365
Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators, Metal/Plastic (MT OJT)	\$25,446	\$48,317	290
Chemical Equipment Operators & Tenders (MT OJT)	\$40,244	\$68,955	255
Packaging & Filling Machine Operators & Tenders (MT OJT)	\$17,174	\$30,723	205
Chemical Plant & System Operators (LT OJT)	\$48,798	\$77,355	180
Electrical & Electronic Equipment Assemblers (ST OJT)	\$20,503	\$33,560	170
Maintenance Workers, Machinery (MT OJT)	\$29,334	\$49,393	160
Assemblers & Fabricators, All Other (MT OJT)	\$17,348	\$29,789	145
Coating, Painting, & Spraying Machine Setters, Operators, & Tenders (MT OJT)	\$20,577	\$35,580	140
Mixing & Blending Machine Setters, Operators, & Tenders (MT OJT)	\$23,121	\$43,642	120
Welding, Soldering, & Brazing Machine Setters, Operators, & Tenders (MT OJT)	\$28,589	\$46,440	120
Production Workers, All Other (MT OJT)	\$20,431	\$34,652	105
Cutting, Punching, & Press Machine Setters, Operators, & Tenders, Metal/Plastic (MT OJT)	\$20,261	\$33,641	100
Installation, Maintenance, & Repair Workers, All Other (MT OJT)	\$29,461	\$49,370	100
Engine & Other Machine Assemblers (ST OJT)	\$25,488	\$41,483	95
Lathe & Turning Machine Tool Setters, Operators, & Tenders, Metal/Plastic (MT OJT)	\$20,424	\$35,153	85
Multiple Machine Tool Setters, Operators, & Tenders, Metal/Plastic (MT OJT)	\$24,785	\$40,930	80
Computer, Automated Teller, & Office Machine Repairers	\$24,485	\$44,932	115

Postsecondary Non-degree Award

First-Line Supervisors of Production & Operating Workers (Exp)	\$38,639	\$89,814	510
Telecommunications Equipment Installers & Repairers, Ex. Line Installers (MT OJT)	\$32,427	\$57,688	140
Electrical & Electronics Repairers, Commercial & Industrial Equipment (LT OJT)	\$37,115	\$91,595	100
Electric Motor, Power Tool, & Related Repairers (LT OJT)	\$32,472	\$44,293	30
Electronic Home Entertainment Equipment Installers & Repairers	\$22,335	\$37,996	20

Associate's Degree

Mechanical Engineering Technicians	\$44,629	\$73,916	80
Industrial Engineering Technicians	\$53,446	\$92,522	45
Medical Equipment Repairers (MT OJT)	\$34,018	\$59,924	45
Radio, Cellular, & Tower Equipment Installers & Repairs (MT OJT)	\$17,720	\$42,972	15
Semiconductor Processors (MT OJT)	\$27,103	\$40,418	10

Bachelor's Degree

Industrial Production Managers (Exp)	\$66,036	\$154,096	165
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(Exp) Experience required

(ST OJT) Short-term on-the-job training

(MT OJT) Moderate-term on-the-job training

(LT OJT) Long-term on-the-job training

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