

CAREER PATHS IN CONSTRUCTION

4-YEAR OR MORE COLLEGE DEGREE AND/OR EQUIVALENT EXPERIENCE



Construction Managers
\$43.48

Civil Engineers
\$38.08



1-2 YEAR COLLEGE DEGREE (OR CREDENTIAL)

Heating, Ventilation, & Air Conditioning
\$22.12

Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters
\$28.23

Electricians
\$30.33



HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR GED / ON-THE-JOB TRAINING



Carpenters
\$20.81

Construction and Building Inspectors
\$31.10

Construction Laborers
\$20.29

Cement Masons and Concrete Finishers
\$20.96

These jobs are in demand in Southwest Minnesota and these are Southwest Minnesota Median wages. Data collected from Department of Employment and Economic Development.



WHY CHOOSE A CAREER IN CONSTRUCTION?



- Steady, Booming Industry
- Fulfilling Career Choice
- Abundant Opportunities
- Feel a Sense of Accomplishment
- Make an Impact on Your Community
- Stay in Shape
- Earn a Great Income



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CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS \$43.48

Plan, direct, or coordinate, usually through subordinate supervisory personnel, activities concerned with the construction and maintenance of structures, facilities, and systems. Participate in the conceptual development of a construction project and oversee its organization, scheduling, budgeting, and implementation. Includes managers in specialized construction fields, such as carpentry or plumbing.

CIVIL ENGINEERS \$38.08

Perform engineering duties in planning, designing, and overseeing construction and maintenance of building structures, and facilities, such as roads, railroads, airports, bridges, harbors, channels, dams, irrigation projects, pipelines, power plants, and water and sewage systems.

1-2-YEAR COLLEGE DEGREE (OR CREDENTIAL)



HEATING, VENTILATION, & AIR CONDITIONING \$22.12 Install or repair heating, central air conditioning, or refrigeration systems, including oil burners, hot-air furnaces, and heating stoves.

PLUMBERS, PIPEFITTERS, AND STEAMFITTERS \$28.23 Assemble, install, alter, and repair pipelines or pipe systems that carry water, steam, air, or other liquids or gases. May install heating and cooling equipment and mechanical control systems. Includes sprinkler fitters.

ELECTRICIANS \$30.33 Install, maintain, and repair electrical wiring, equipment, and fixtures. Ensure that work is in accordance with relevant codes. May install or service street lights, intercom systems, or electrical control systems.

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR GED / ON-THE-JOB TRAINING



CARPENTERS \$20.81 Construct, erect, install, or repair structures and fixtures made of wood, such as concrete forms; building frameworks, including partitions, joists, studding, and rafters; and wood stairways, window and door frames, and hardwood floors. May also install cabinets, siding, drywall and batt or roll insulation. Includes brattice builders who build doors or brattices (ventilation walls or partitions) in underground passageways.

CEMENT MASONS AND CONCRETE FINISHERS \$20.96 Smooth and finish surfaces of poured concrete, such as floors, walks, sidewalks, roads, or curbs using a variety of hand and power tools. Align forms for sidewalks, curbs, or gutters; patch voids; and use saws to cut expansion joints.

CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING INSPECTORS \$31.10 Inspect structures using engineering skills to determine structural soundness and compliance with specifications, building codes, and other regulations. Inspections may be general in nature or may be limited to a specific area, such as electrical systems or plumbing.

CONSTRUCTION LABORERS \$20.29 Perform tasks involving physical labor at construction sites. May operate hand and power tools of all types: air hammers, earth tampers, cement mixers, small mechanical hoists, surveying and measuring equipment, and a variety of other equipment and instruments. May clean and prepare sites, dig trenches, set braces to support the sides of excavations, erect scaffolding, and clean up rubble, debris and other waste materials. May assist other craft workers.

