

THE PLUMBER CAREER PATH

Discover and build your career in the plumbing trade.



START



EDUCATION



JOURNEYMAN



MASTER



LEADERSHIP



OWNERSHIP



Earn Your High School Diploma or GED Certificate

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Education and Apprenticeship*

Pay: \$20–\$31 per hour

*Most are four years and include 8,000 hours of on-the-job training. Varies by state.

Journeyman License

Pay: \$32–\$51 per hour

Works independently to service and install plumbing systems, drainage systems, and gas lines.

Master or Contractor License

Pay: \$52–\$54 per hour

Supervises journeymen and apprentices, designs plumbing schematics and pulls permits.

Leadership Opportunities

Pay: \$55–\$62 per hour

General Manager
Service Manager
Field Manager
Sales Manager

Company Ownership

The plumbing trade provides a path to business ownership.



Wages are based on U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (2024) and vary by region.
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