# More South Dakota Hot Careers

Beyond the Top

## **High Demand & High Wage Career**

**Career Cluster: Transportation, Distribution & Logistics** 



# **Automotive Body and Related Repairers**

#### **What They Do**

Repair and refinish automobile bodies and straighten the frames of vehicles damaged by an accident, weather or vandalism. They inspect vehicles for damage and determine what repair work or replacement parts are needed. They may prepare cost estimates and plan or schedule the work needed.

#### Is This For You?

**Work Interests** are described in the following categories (compatible with Holland's Model). People who tend to succeed in this career are:

**Realistic** (Doers) — Prefer to work with objects, things, machines, tools, plants or animals. They have mechanical ability, enjoy being outdoors and working with their hands.

**Conventional** (Organizers) —Detail oriented and organized. They like to analyze data, keep financial records and do research. They can be counted on to be accurate and enjoy structure and closure.

Standard Occupational Code 49-3021

**Work Values** are aspects of work that are satisfying to you. The following work values are generally associated with this career.

**Support** — Offer supportive management that stands behind employees.

**Relationships** — Provide service to others and work in a friendly, noncompetitive environment.

**Independence** — Work on their own and make decisions.

**Abilities** reflect a person's aptitude to acquire skills and knowledge. The following abilities are important for success in the career.

- Arm-Hand Steadiness
- Manual Dexterity
- Visualization
- Finger Dexterity
- Information Ordering
- Near Vision
- Oral Comprehension
- Problem Sensitivity

#### Basic Skills You Need

- Repairing
- Troubleshooting
- Active Listening
- Critical Thinking
- Monitoring
- · Operations Monitoring

#### **Education & Training**

Some postsecondary education in an auto body repair program, including hands-on training with current technology, is recommended.

A registered apprenticeship is another option for preparing for this occupation. To learn more, visit StartTodaySD.com or contact your local Job Service office to get started.

#### Recommended Levels\* for the **National Career Readiness** Certificate

**Applied Math** 3 4 Workplace Documents 3 **Graphic Literacy** 

#### Where They Work

The South Dakota industries which employ the largest number of automotive service technicians and mechanics are:

- Automotive Repair and Maintenance
- · Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers
- Self Employment
- Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods

### **South Dakota Employment & Wages**

2020 Workers	2030 Workers	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Average Annual Demand for Workers	Annual Median Wage	Annual Average Wage
881	959	78	8.9%	92	\$49,920	\$52,660

#### **Additional References**

**Labor Market Information Center** 

www.dlr.sd.gov/lmic

**Career OneStop** 

www.careeronestop.org

O\*Net Online

www.onetonline.org

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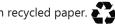
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<sup>\*</sup>Using the median skill level.