At a Glance

Aircraft mechanics service and repair aircraft and aircraft engines.

Quick Facts: Aircraft Mechanics	
Wages	Earn \$39,348 - \$67,648 per year
Employment	Medium occupation
10 Year Growth	Average growth
Annual Openings	Moderate

Preparation @

An aircraft mechanic typically needs to:

- have a high school diploma or equivalent
- complete formal FAA-certified training
- have work experience
- pass written and oral exams

Working Conditions @

In a typical work setting, aircraft mechanics:

- Usually work as part of a team of mechanics.
- Are often exposed to hazardous equipment. There is some possibility of moderate injury from the equipment.
- Must be sure that all the details of the job are performed and completed accurately. Errors could cause serious harm to the plane or the passengers.
- Frequently work more than 40 hours a week because overtime is common.