Insulation Workers

SOC: 47-2130 • Career Profile Report

■ Key Facts

\$50,730Median Salary

67,400 Employment

+4.0%
Growth Rate

■ Requirements & Salary Range

Education: See Requirements (BLS)

■ Automation Risk Assessment

Medium Risk - 35.0% probability of being automated in the next 10-20 years.

This job has some routine elements but still requires human judgment and interaction.

■■ Work-Life Balance

5.1/10 - Fair work-life balance

■ Personality Fit (RIASEC)

Higher scores indicate better personality fit for this career type.

Realistic	9.4/10	Investigative	5.8/10	
Artistic	4.0/10	Social	5.0/10	
Enterprising	5.0/10	Conventional	6.0/10	

■ Top Skills Required

Ability to work at heights, Dexterity, Math skills, Mechanical skills, Physical stamina, Physical strength

√ Strengths

- High Demand
- Flexible Work
- · Continuous Learning

■ Challenges

- Burnout Risk
- Rapid Technological Change

■ What They Do

Insulation Workers typically perform the following tasks: • Measure and cut insulation for covering surfaces, using tape measures, handsaws, power saws, knives, or scissors. • Fit, wrap, staple, or glue insulating materials to structures or surfaces, using hand tools or wires. • Cover and line structures with blown or rolled forms of materials to insulate against cold, heat, or moisture, using saws, knives, rasps, trowels, blowers, or other tools and implements. • Distribute insulating materials evenly into small spaces within floors, ceilings, or walls, using blowers and hose attachments, or cement mortars. • Move controls, buttons, or levers to start blowers and regulate flow of materials through nozzles. • Fill blower hoppers with insulating materials. • Cover, seal, or finish insulated surfaces or access holes with plastic covers, canvas strips, sealants, tape, cement or asphalt mastic. • Read blueprints, and select appropriate insulation, based on space characteristics and the heat retaining or excluding characteristics of the material. • Remove old insulation, such as asbestos, following safety procedures. • Prepare surfaces for insulation application by brushing or spreading on adhesives, cement, or asphalt, or by attaching metal pins to surfaces.

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