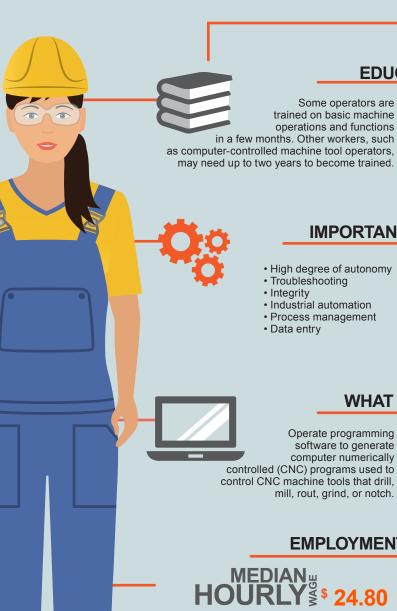
In Demand Manufacturing Careers CNC PROGRAMMER WELDER



EDUCATION

Some operators are trained on basic machine operations and functions

High school diploma or equivalent, combined with technical training, on-the-job training, and welding certificate

IMPORTANT QUALITIES

- · Detail oriented
- · Self-starting / Self-motivated
- Problem solving
- Integrity
- Dependability
- Team player
- Work independently
- · Basic computer skills

WHAT THEY DO

Operate programming software to generate computer numerically controlled (CNC) programs used to control CNC machine tools that drill, mill, rout, grind, or notch.

Responsible for assembling structural metal products using tools, welding equipment, and their own hands.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Demand is expected to be strong, as many firms are adopting technologies such as machine tools and robots.

Types of welders in demand: arc and gas welding.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

These workers often operate powerful, high-speed machines. Operators usually wear protective equipment, such as safety glasses, earplugs, and steel-toed boots to protect them from flying particles of metal or plastic, machine noise, and heavy objects.

Welders and cutters may work outdoors, or indoors, sometimes in a confined area designed to contain sparks and glare. Most welders work full time, and overtime is common.



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