

Rail Car Repairers

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Description: Diagnose, adjust, repair, or overhaul railroad rolling stock, mine cars, or mass transit rail cars.

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Sample of Reported Job Titles: Freight Maintenance Specialist, Locomotive Repairman

Job Zone

Title: 2 - Some Preparation Needed

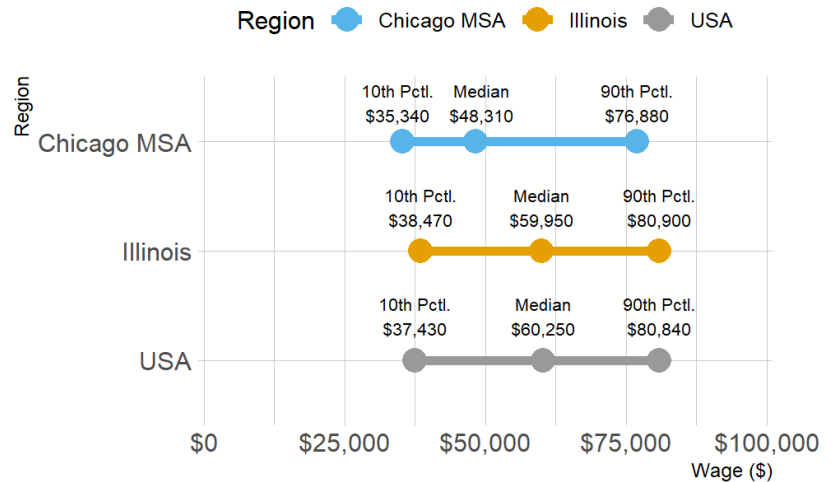
Education: Usually require a high school diploma.

Experience: Some previous work-related skill, knowledge, or experience is needed.

Training: A few months to one year of working with experienced employees needed. A recognized apprenticeship program may be associated with these occupations.

Hot Technologies: Adobe Systems Adobe Acrobat, Microsoft Office Suite

Region	Employment	Location Quotient	Median Wage
Chicago MSA	1,490	2.17	\$48,310
Illinois	3,010	3.31	\$59,950
USA	22,800	—	\$60,250



Top 5 Core Tasks According to Current Job Holders

Importance
Frequency (out of 100)

Record conditions of cars, and repair and maintenance work performed or to be performed.

Daily

85

Inspect components such as bearings, seals, gaskets, wheels, and coupler assemblies to determine if repairs are needed.

Daily

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Repair or replace defective or worn parts such as bearings, pistons, and gears, using hand tools, torque wrenches, power tools, and welding equipment.

Daily

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Inspect the interior and exterior of rail cars coming into rail yards to identify defects and to determine the extent of wear and damage.

Daily

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Remove locomotives, car mechanical units, or other components, using pneumatic hoists and jacks, pinch bars, hand tools, and cutting torches.

Daily

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