

# MY NEXT MOVE

**Know what job you want to do?** Type in a job title, such as “carpenter” or a word or two describing a career like “computer programming” and view the knowledges, skills, abilities, and other characteristics of the career that interests you most. (See back page for an example career report for electricians.)

**Have an idea of what industry you want to work in?** Look at careers grouped by industry, such as retail, manufacturing, or education, and see if you find the career you want!

The screenshot shows the My Next Move website interface. At the top, the logo "MY NEXT MOVE" is displayed. Below it, the main heading is "What do you want to do for a living?". There are three main search options:

- "I want to be a ..."**: Search careers with key words. Includes a text input field with examples "doctor, build houses" and a "Search" button.
- "I'll know it when I see it."**: Browse careers by industry. Includes a dropdown menu with "Administration & Support Services" selected and a "Browse" button.
- "I'm not really sure."**: Tell us what you like to do. Includes a "Start" button.

At the bottom, there is a section titled "Still not sure? Check out careers in these groups:" with buttons for "Bright Outlook", "Registered Apprenticeship", "Interests", and "Job Prep". To the right, there is a "FOR VETERANS" badge and a section titled "Are you a veteran looking for work?" with the text "My Next Move for Veterans helps you find a civilian career similar to your military job."

**Looking to transition from the military to a civilian career?** My Next Move for Veterans is designed for U.S. veterans who are current job seekers. The interactive tool helps vets learn about their career options.

**Want to find a career based on your interests and education?** Answer some questions about what you like to do using the **O\*NET Interest Profiler**. You will get a list of careers matching your interests and education that you can explore!

**Four more ways to search careers:**

**Bright Outlook** careers have lots of job openings now or will in the near future or are new and emerging.

**Interest Browse** lets you browse careers by six primary interest areas. Read a brief description of each interest and then explore related careers.

**Apprenticeship** programs are available for over 300 careers. Find information on these careers here.

**Job Prep** groups together careers that need the same level of experience, education, and training.

My Next Move ([www.mynextmove.org](http://www.mynextmove.org)) is a Web site created by the National Center for O\*NET Development for the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. It provides easy access to career exploration, educational and training programs, and job postings. Students and those in transition will find this streamlined Web site a great tool in helping determine their next move on the road to a satisfying career.

## Electricians

**Also called:** Chief Electrician, Electrician, Journeyman Electrician, Maintenance Electrician

**What they do:** Install, maintain, and repair electrical wiring, equipment, and fixtures. Ensure that work is in accordance with relevant codes. May install or service street lights, intercom systems, or electrical control systems.

- On the job, you would:**
- Plan layout and installation of electrical wiring, equipment, or fixtures, based on job specifications and local codes.
  - Connect wires to circuit breakers, transformers, or other components.
  - Test electrical systems or continuity of circuits in electrical wiring, equipment, or fixtures, using testing devices, such as ohmmeters, voltmeters, or oscilloscopes, to ensure compatibility and safety of system.

### KNOWLEDGE

#### Engineering and Technology

- building and construction
- mechanical

#### Math and Science

- arithmetic, algebra, geometry, calculus, or statistics
- physics

#### Arts and Humanities

- English language

#### Safety and Government

- public safety and security

### SKILLS

#### Basic Skills

- listening to others, not interrupting, and asking good questions
- thinking about the pros and cons of different ways to solve a problem

#### People and Technology Systems

- thinking about the pros and cons of different options and picking the best one
- figuring out how a system should work and how changes in the future will affect it

#### Problem Solving

- noticing a problem and figuring out the best way to solve it

### ABILITIES

#### Hand and Finger Use

- keep your arm or hand steady
- put together small parts with your fingers

#### Ideas and Logic

- notice when problems happen
- make general rules or come up with answers from lots of detailed information

#### Verbal

- listen and understand what people say
- communicate by speaking

#### Visual Understanding

- see hidden patterns

### PERSONALITY

People interested in this work like activities that include **practical, hands-on** problems and solutions.

They do well at jobs that need:

- Dependability**
- Attention to Detail**
- Integrity**
- Analytical Thinking**
- Initiative**
- Leadership**

### TECHNOLOGY

You might use software like this on the job:

#### Analytical or scientific software

- Construction Master Pro
- Electrosoft FlashWorks

#### Data base user interface and query software

- Insight Direct ServiceCEO
- Resolve Systems Service Management

#### Word processing software

- Microsoft Word
- Socrates Contractor's Library

### EDUCATION



certificate after high school or high school diploma/GED usually needed

Get started on your career:



### JOB OUTLOOK



New job opportunities are **very likely** in the future.

SALARY: **\$52,720** per year, on average



### EXPLORE MORE

- [Automotive Master Mechanics](#)
- [Heating & Air Conditioning Mechanics & Installers](#)
- [Millwrights](#)
- [Refrigeration Mechanics & Installers](#)
- [Telecommunications Equipment Installers & Repairers](#)

You might like a career in one of these industries:

- [Construction](#)

See more details at [O\\*NET OnLine](#) about electricians.

Read the career description and a sample of the most important tasks performed by electricians.

See the top Knowledges, Skills, and Abilities for the career

Consider the personality of people in this career. Also, see some of the software they may be using.

### Links to more information

**Education** – Find training or apprenticeship programs.

**Job Outlook** – View salaries, expected growth, or follow the Find Jobs link to state and national job postings.

**Explore More** – Look at careers with similar skills as electricians. Or browse through careers in the same industry.

**O\*NET OnLine** ([onetonline.org](http://onetonline.org)) provides detailed descriptions and more ways to search careers.