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Community College of Aurora		A					
Emily Griffith Technical College	С			С			
Front Range Community College	A,C						
Morgan Community College	A,C				A,C		
Northeastern Junior College	A,C						
Otero Junior College	A,C						
Pickens Technical College	С	С	С				
Pikes Peak Community College	A,C					С	
Pueblo Community College	A,C	С			A,C		
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Metropolitan State University of Denver	В,С				В, С	
National American University					В, С	

A = Associate's Degree, C = Certificate, B = Bachelor's Degree, M = Master's Degree, G = Graduate Degree





Transportation & Warehousing

is an industry providing transportation of passengers and cargo, warehousing and storage for goods, scenic and sightseeing transportation, and support activities related to modes of transportation. Establishments in these industries use transportation equipment or transportation related facilities as a productive asset. The type of equipment depends on the mode of transportation. The modes of transportation are air, rail, water, road, and pipeline.

Start Exploring Transportation & Warehousing Careers

Step 1: Identify your interests

Compare your interests, skills and work values with Transportation occupations using Labor Market Information's Career Explorer:

Visit www.colmigateway.com

- Click on "Services for Individuals"
- Choose "Career Services"

This will take you to "Career Explorer" where you can match your interests, skills and work values to occupations.

Step 2: Explore the Transportation & Warehousing industry & careers

Learn about high-growth, in-demand careers and what they pay on the LMI Gateway website:

www.colmigateway.com

For more information on a career in Transportation, check out www.transportation.gov/careers.

Step 3: Find education, training & financial aid

Discover the best education or training institutions for your career goals and how to get money for school at www.collegeincolorado.org

Step 4: Find available job openings

www.connectingcolorado.com

A Day In the Life

Michael Gowdy

Warehouse Manager Crossville Tile and Stone Denver, CO

Warehouse managers oversee the day-to-day operations of a warehouse, which can present a challenging set of situations. Many individuals see the warehouse as being the anchor in the supply chain, and productivity lags and interruptions in a warehouse can have far-reaching impacts on the supply chain as a whole. Managers oversee the people, processes, and systems to ensure smooth operations.

According to Michael, the most challenging aspect to being a warehouse manager is the employees. "People need to take the initiative to learn, show up, be a team player, communicate, and find solutions."

"It's important that people show up to work. They need to understand that if they don't show up, leave early or come in late; other people have to work harder to get the job done." This is where teamwork is very important in a warehouse.

In a warehouse there are a variety of ways customers can place an order. Customers may walk-in and pick up their order immediately. The warehouse manager needs to ensure that he has staff that can deliver. He has staff pulling orders for those customers, in addition to having staff pull daily orders that are going out to other locations across the state or country.

A Day in the Life of...

Safety is another area that has to be taken into account in a warehouse. Employees are working with heavy tile so they need to know how to carefully lift to avoid hurting themselves. In addition, they drive forklifts throughout the warehouse. Staff has to honk their horn when coming around corners to avoid collisions. When staff are getting material from a high shelf (sometimes over 20 feet high), they need to wear their harness to provide fall protection. Therefore, employees have to go through safety training when hired and random drug and alcohol testing which is mandated by Federal law.

"A lot of people think because marijuana is legal in Colorado, that it's okay to use even in this job." The truth is that it's not. Therefore, many warehouses are having a difficult time filling positions and keeping employees.

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Who do you want to be tomorrow?

Occupation	Wage Range	Minimum Education/Training	Suggested Programs of Study
Transportation, Storage & Distribution Managers Plan, direct, or coordinate transportation, storage, or distribution activities in accordance with organizational policies & applicable government laws or regulations.	\$76,447 - \$136,487	Bachelor's Degree,	Business
Postal Service Mail Carriers Sort mail for delivery. Deliver mail on established route by vehicle or foot. Includes postal service mail carriers employed by USPS contractors	\$35,198 - \$56,598	High School Diploma or Equivalent	On-the-Job Training
Postal Service Mail Sorters & Processors Prepare mail for distribution, Examine, sort, route mail & keep records of shipments, and perform other duties related to mail handling within the postal service.	\$34,961 - \$57,018	High School Diploma or Equivalent	On-the-Job Training
Aircraft Mechanics & Service Technicians Diagnose, adjust, repair, or overhaul aircraft engines and assemblies, such as hydraulic and pneumatic systems.	\$44,007 - \$78,534	Postsecondary Nondegree Award	Aviation Maintenance Technology
Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics Diagnose, adjust, repair or overhaul automotive vehicles.	\$28,065 - \$56,488	Postsecondary Nondegree Award	Automotive Mechanics, Small Engine Mechanics
Bus & Truck Mechanics & Diesel Engine Specialists Diagnose, adjust, repair, or overhaul buses and trucks, or maintain and repair any type of diesel engines.	\$36,531 - \$59,622	High School Diploma or Equivalent	Diesel/Heavy Engine Mechanics, Transportation Services - Diesel Mechanic
Airline Pilots, Copilots & Flight Engineers Pilot & navigate the flight of fixed-wing, multi-engine aircraft for the transportation of passengers & cargo	\$120,774 - \$254,351	Bachelor's Degree,	Aviation Technology, Aviation Management
Flight Attendants Provide personal services to ensure the safety, security & comfort of airline passengers during flight	\$30,065 - \$53,718	High School Diploma or Equivalent	On-the-Job Training
Driver, Sales Workers Drive truck or van over established routes / within a territory to sell or deliver goods. May also take orders, collect payment & stock merchandise	\$19,766 - \$39,207	High School Diploma or Equivalent	On-the-Job Training
Heavy & Tractor - Trailer Truck Drivers Drive a tractor-trailer combo or a truck with a capacity of at least 26,000 pounds Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW). May be required to unload truck.	\$32,680 - \$54,102	Postsecondary Nondegree Award	Truck Driver School /On-the-job-training
Light Truck Drivers Drive a light vehicle (truck or van), with capacity of less than 26,000 pounds GVW, to deliver or pick up merchandise / packages. May also load & unload vehicle	\$23,457 - \$45,511	High School Diploma or Equivalent	On-the-Job Training
Industrial Truck & Tractor Operators Operate industrial trucks / tractors equipped to move materials around a warehouse, factory or construction site	\$25,147 - \$40,661	High School Diploma or Equivalent	On-the-Job Training
Cleaners of Vehicles & Equipment Wash or otherwise clean vehicles, machinery, and other equipment. Use such materials as water, cleaning agents, brushes, cloths, and hoses.	\$20,557 - \$27,316	On-the-Job Training	On-the-Job Training
Laborers and Freight, Stock, & Material Movers Manually move freight, stock, luggage, or other materials, or perform other general labor. Includes all manual laborers not elsewhere classified.	\$22,090 - \$34,859	On-the-Job Training	On-the-Job Training
Bus Drivers, School Drive a school bus to transport students. Ensure adherence to safety rules. May assist students in boarding or exiting.	\$26,373 - \$38,455	High School Diploma or Equivalent	On-the-Job Training
Bus Drivers, Transit & Intercity Drive bus or motor coach, including regular route operations, charters & private carriage. May assist passengers with baggage & collect fares / tickets	\$32,346 - \$42,122	High School Diploma or Equivalent	On-the-Job Training
Taxi Drivers & Chauffers	\$21,292 - \$31,417	High School Diploma or Equivalent	On-the-Job Training
Drive automobiles, vans, or limousines to transport passengers			



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A valuable skill for good customer service is the ability to know another language. Customers in their warehouse speak a number of different languages. An ability to communicate is critical in getting orders correct. Another useful skill is math. As tile pieces can come in different sizes and shapes, staff needs to be able to differentiate how many pieces of material needs to go on a pallet.

For Michael's particular job, two important skills are organization and customer service. He needs to communicate with the customers, the truck drivers that come in and take the materials, his employees about expectations and management in all phases of what is happening in the warehouse. He says it's best to keep a level head, by staying calm with customers in high stress situations.

For 2017, the median wage for a Transportation, Storage and Distribution Manager in Colorado was \$108,524.