

# Food Warehousing



## What They Do

Food warehousing workers are responsible for the safe packing and storage of materials to be shipped. They are required to maintain records and compile stock reports as requested by supervisors. They must be able to complete documentation and know where materials are at all times. They may be required to use a forklift or a hand jack. Some heavy lifting may also be required.

## Job Duties

- Prepares orders
- Processes order requests
- Packing boxes
- Marking and labeling stock
- Maintains a clean and safe work environment
- Creates detailed inventory reports
- Assist in unloading trucks and checking in products
- Sort items according to organizational standards
- Lift heavy objects
- Use a pallet jack or a forklift truck

## Job Earnings

*\*\*U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics  
(2019 Median Annual Salary)*

\$28,710 per year average salary  
\$13.80 per hour

## Education/Training

Food warehousing positions typically require a high school diploma or a General Education Development (GED) certificate.

## Job Outlook

Employment for food warehouse workers is projected to grow 3% from 2019-2029, which is about as fast an increase in job growth as other similar occupations.

# Food Warehousing - Career Pathway

Ways to Start Preparing for Your Future Career TODAY!

## 1 Middle/High School Classes to Take:

- Business Math & Microsoft Excel
- English
- Public Speaking
- Mathematics

## 2 Clubs/Extracurricular Activities:

- Future Farmers of America (FFA) Club ([www.FFA.org](http://www.FFA.org))

## 3 Local BOCES/Career & Technical Education Programs:

- Genesee Valley BOCES ([www.GVBOCES.org](http://www.GVBOCES.org))
  - Animal Science (Batavia & Mt. Morris Campuses)
  - WNY Tech Academy (P-Tech Program, Supply Chain Management)
- Monroe2-Orleans BOCES ([www.Monroe2BOCES.org](http://www.Monroe2BOCES.org))
  - Heavy Equipment Operation & Maintenance
- Orleans-Niagara BOCES ([www.ONBOCES.org](http://www.ONBOCES.org))
  - Diesel/Heavy Equipment Technology

## 4 Volunteer Opportunities:

- FeedMore WNY ([www.FeedMoreWNY.org](http://www.FeedMoreWNY.org))
- Foodlink ([www.FoodlinkNY.org](http://www.FoodlinkNY.org))
- Meals on Wheels ([www.MealsonWheelsAmerica.org](http://www.MealsonWheelsAmerica.org))
- GLOW Region Food Pantries & Distribution Centers (check local listings)

## 5 Local Colleges/Training:

- Colleges:
  - SUNY Alfred ([www.AlfredState.edu](http://www.AlfredState.edu))
  - Monroe Community College ([www.MonroeCC.edu](http://www.MonroeCC.edu))
- Heavy Equipment Operation Training & OSHA Certification Programs
  - Monroe2-Orleans BOCES Center for Workforce Development ([www.Monroe2CWD.edu](http://www.Monroe2CWD.edu))
    - CDL Commercial Driver's License Class B
    - Forklift Training
    - OSHA 10-Hour General Industry