

ST. LOUIS REGION'S AVIATION CAREERS ROADMAP

High School Diploma/GED

If you're interested in a career in the aviation industry right out of high school, these are the programs and initiatives you should focus on to secure one of the high-paying jobs below »»» **Stem Programs** — **Aviation Organizations** — **Youth Flying Programs** — **High School Training Programs** — **Employer Lead Training Programs**

Flight Attendants

STL Median: \$74,600

Provide routine services and respond to emergencies to ensure safety and comfort of passengers. Sample positions:

- Flight Attendants
- Cabin Attendants

Requires: High school diploma/GED plus work experience in customer service. On-the-job training and FAA certification required.

Outlook: 10% job growth expected in the U.S., about 19,500 openings annually.

Transportation Security Officers

STL Median: \$51,600

Screen people and property and control entry and exit points in airports. Look for security threats and enforce travel regulations. Sample positions:

- Transportation Security Officer
- Security Support Assistants
- Law Enforcement
- Mission Support

Requires: High school diploma/GED plus on-the-job training. Must be a U.S. citizen.

Outlook: 1% job growth expected in the U.S., 4,500 openings annually.



Helping people everyday, as a ticket agent

Cargo | Freight Agents

STL Median: \$51,500

Expedite and route movement of incoming and outgoing cargo and freight shipments in airline, train, and trucking terminals and shipping docks. Sample positions:

- Air Export Specialists
- Air Export Agents
- Air Export Coordinators
- Export Coordinators
- Import Agents

Requires: High school diploma/GED plus on-the-job training.

Outlook: 10% job growth expected in the U.S., about 11,100 openings annually.

Reservation | Transportation Ticket Agents | Travel Clerks

STL Median: \$40,400

Make and confirm reservations for transportation or lodging or sell transportation tickets. May check baggage, trace lost, delayed, or misdirected baggage; direct passengers to designated concourse; examine passenger documentation to determine destinations and to assign boarding passes. Sample positions:

- Airline Ticket Agents
- Airport Sales Agents
- Customer Service Agents
- Reservation Agents
- Ticket Agents
- Tour Sales Representatives

Requires: High school diploma/GED

Outlook: 3-5% job growth expected in the U.S., 13,600 openings annually.

Aircraft Service Attendants

STL Median: \$37,700

Service aircraft with fuel. May de-ice aircraft, refill water and cooling agents, empty sewage tanks, service air and oxygen systems, or clean and polish exterior.

Requires: High school diploma/GED plus on-the-job training.

Outlook: 6% job growth expected in the U.S., about 4,100 openings annually.

Baggage Handlers

STL Median: \$33,800

Handle baggage for travelers at transportation terminals. Sample positions:

- Baggage Porters
- Ramp Agents

Requires: High School diploma/GED plus on-the-job training.

Outlook: 1-2% job growth expected in the U.S., about 100 openings annually.



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