

# What do Transportation and Distribution Managers do?

Transportation and distribution managers use a large base of knowledge to plan, direct, or coordinate the transportation, storage or distribution operations within an organization. They work with companies that provide transportation services, store and distribute materials or products, or manage logistics personnel and systems. Transportation, storage, and distribution managers are in charge of allocating and shipping merchandise in the most efficient and cost-effective manner. They analyze costs, develop budgets, and comply with government regulations. They must negotiate with equipment dealers, transportation service workers, and end-users to find optimal service.

### **Training & Educational Opportunities**

You will have plenty of employment opportunities as a transportation and distribution manager once you obtain significant work experience in this field. Earning an associate degree will also greatly improve your chances of becoming a manager. Coursework should include personnel recruitment, resource allocation, geometry, statistics and leadership techniques.

### As a Transportation and Distribution Manager you will:

- > Direct dispatching and routing of transportation vehicles
- ➤ Interview, select, and train warehouse and supervisory personnel
- Plan, organize, and manage staff to ensure work is accomplished
- Prepare or direct preparation of reports, maintenance, and safety
- ➤ Supervise the work of logistics specialists, planners, or schedulers

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#### Transportation & Distribution Managers are in demand in Kankakee County!

Kankakee County employment of transportation and distribution managers is expected to grow through 2020.

# **Transportation and Distribution Manager**

# Training Provider

The following certified training provider offers programs and certifications to train for a career as a transportation and distribution manager:

· Kankakee Community College

Career scholarships may be available if you qualify.



## **Types of Employers**

There are many different types of employers of transportation and distribution managers, including:

- Construction companies
- Manufacturing companies
- · Transportation and warehousing businesses
- Trucking companies
- Utilities

### **Wages & Openings**

Transportation and Distribution Manager Employment Data for Kankakee County	
Average Starting Hourly Wage	\$23.58
Average Hourly Wage With Experience	\$49.31
Average Annual Job Openings Kankakee County	~10
Average Annual Job Openings Chicago Metro	141

### **Opportunities**

After you receive your degree as a transportation and distribution manager, you will have opportunities for specialization and advancement. Some opportunities include:

- Director of Logistics
- Regional Transportation Manager
- Senior Manager, Fleet Operations
- Shipping and Inventory Control Manager



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