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While exploring various career paths, you may find yourself interested in working with your hands through trade occupations. While this journey may stray from what some consider the “traditional” college route, it should certainly not be looked down upon. In fact, many trades have the opportunity to earn an annual average wage above the state average. Take a look at how some select trades in Arkansas might be right for you.

	Where in AR are they? 	Mean annual wage 	How many workers? 	Education required 
Carpenters	28.71 percent work in northwest Arkansas	make an annual average of \$40,290	3,030 are in the state’s workforce	typically requires a high school diploma or equivalent
Roofers	30.56 percent work in northwest Arkansas	make an annual average of \$35,570	720 are in the state’s workforce	typically requires no formal education
Plumbers	28.03 percent work in northwest Arkansas	make an annual average of \$43,030	3,140 are in the state’s workforce	typically requires a high school diploma or equivalent
HVAC	25.89 percent work in northwest Arkansas	make an annual average of \$41,750	3,090 are in the state’s workforce	typically requires a postsecondary non-degree
Steel Workers	28.26 percent work in northwest Arkansas	make an annual average of \$40,310	460 are in the state’s workforce	typically requires a high school diploma or equivalent

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