



Butchers and meat cutters

Cut, trim, or prepare consumer-sized portions of meat for use or sale in retail establishments.

Cognitive and mental requirements

The qualifications that workers need to use judgment, make decisions, interact with others, and adapt to changes in jobs.

In 2022, more than basic people skills were required for 29.0 percent of butchers and meat cutters, and basic people skills were required for 71.0 percent.

Table 1. Percentage of butchers and meat cutters with cognitive and mental requirements, 2022

Requirement	Yes	No
Pace: Pause control	22.5	77.5
Working around crowds	-	100.0
Telework	-	100.0
Work review: Supervising others	6.1	93.9

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey

Education, training, and experience requirements

The minimum level of formal education required, credentials necessary, on-the-job training, and prior work experience necessary for average performance in jobs.

In 2022, credentials were required for 27.9 percent of butchers and meat cutters. Prior work experience was required for 65.4 percent. No minimum education was required for 49.4 percent of butchers and meat cutters and a high school diploma was required for 50.6 percent.

Environmental conditions

The various tangible or concrete hazards or difficulties that are in the vicinity of where jobs' critical tasks are performed.

In 2022, a moderate noise exposure was present for 97.1 percent of butchers and meat cutters. Personal protective equipment (PPE) was not used by 96.6 percent of workers to mitigate noise exposure.

Physical demands

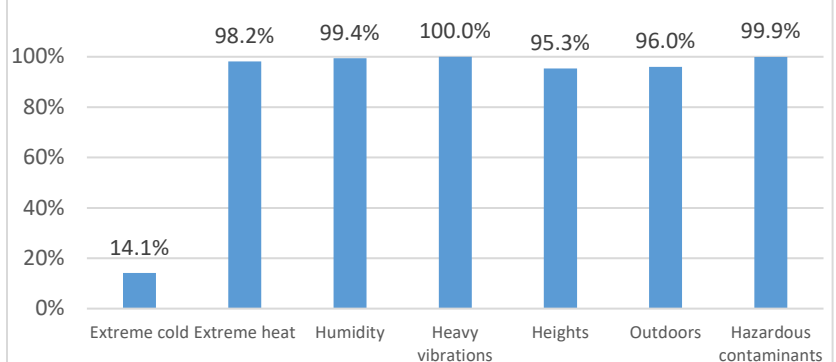
Refer to the physical activities required to perform tasks in jobs. The presence and, in some cases, duration of these activities are published.

In 2022, reaching at or below the shoulder was required for 99.3 percent of butchers and meat cutters.

Performing work in low postures was required for 94.1 percent of butchers and meat cutters and was not required for 5.9 percent.

On average, butchers and meat cutters spent 99.6 percent of the workday standing.

Chart 1. Percentage of butchers and meat cutters without exposure to environmental conditions, 2022



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey