

# Become an HVAC Technician

## School

HVAC training and school can range from six months to two years, depending on how in depth you want to get in the field. However, the more knowledgeable you are, the more marketable you will be to potential employers.



## Certifications

Demonstrate your expertise in dealing with complex equipment which gives you a unique skill set that increases your employability while earning a higher salary.

Nebraska requires HVAC technicians to obtain a Environment Protection Agency (EPA) and Refrigeration certifications before conducting HVAC work.

The North American Technician Excellence (NATE) is not a mandatory certification, but it does grant you more credibility.

- . NATE Certification
- . Air Conditioning
- . Air Distribution
- . Heat Pumps
- . Gas /oil Heating
- . Hydronic Gas (service only)
- . Light Commercial Refrigeration
- . Ground Source Heat Pump
- . Loop Installer
- . Senior HVAC Efficiency Analyst

## EPA Certifications

EPA Section 608 HVAC Type 1

Unitary appliances contain up to 5 lbs. refrigerant

EPA Section 608 HVAC Type 2

High & Very High pressured appliances

EPA Section 608 HVAC Type 3

Low-pressure appliances



## Average Lincoln Salary

For a professional HVAC Installer or Mechnaic, the **average salary is \$47,900.\*** You can be assured that you can live comfortably while supporting yourself and your family.



## Job Security

Not only is Lincoln's current demand for quality technicians high, but there is an expected **21% job growth for the next 10 years.\***

\*Bureau of Labor Statistics