

## Ship Engineers

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**Description:** Supervise and coordinate activities of crew engaged in operating and maintaining engines, boilers, deck machinery, and electrical, sanitary, and refrigeration equipment aboard ship.

### Other Resources:

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**Sample of Reported Job Titles:** Barge Engineer, Engineer, Ferry Engineer

### Job Zone

**Title:** 3 - Medium Preparation Needed

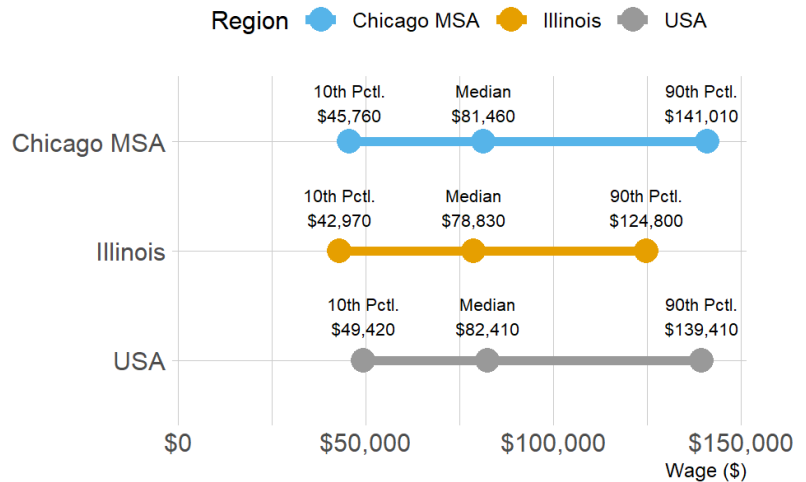
**Education:** Require training in vocational schools, related on-the-job experience, or an associate's degree.

**Experience:** Previous work-related skill, knowledge, or experience is required.

**Training:** One or two years of training involving both on-the-job experience and informal training with experienced workers needed. A recognized apprenticeship program may be associated with these occupations.

**Hot Technologies:** Apple macOS, Enterprise resource planning ERP software, Microsoft Access, Microsoft Office Suite, Oracle software, Salesforce software

Region	Employment	Location Quotient	Median Wage
Chicago MSA	90	0.39	\$81,460
Illinois	150	0.50	\$78,830
USA	7,650	—	\$82,410



### Top 5 Core Tasks According to Current Job Holders

**Importance**  
**Frequency (out of 100)**

Start engines to propel ships, and regulate engines and power transmissions to control speeds of ships, according to directions from captains or bridge computers.

Daily

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Maintain or repair engines, electric motors, pumps, winches, or other mechanical or electrical equipment, or assist other crew members with maintenance or repair duties.

Daily

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Monitor engine, machinery, or equipment indicators when vessels are underway, and report abnormalities to appropriate shipboard staff.

Several times daily

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Perform or participate in emergency drills, as required.

More than weekly

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Maintain complete records of engineering department activities, including machine operations.

Daily

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