

Work in the Kitchen Cabinet Manufacturing Sector

Not just a job – a CAREER!

Join our industry

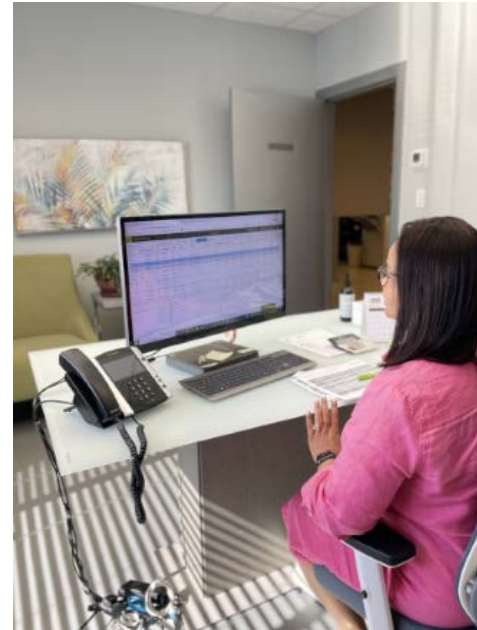
Love what you DO!



How big is the industry sector?

- 4,000 kitchen cabinet manufacturers across Canada
- 25,000 in the kitchen cabinet industry
- \$3.5 billion in annual revenue in kitchen industry
- Businesses in every province
- Industry is revolutionizing manufacturing with adoption of Industry 4.0, digitization, integration to become world class





Huge range of opportunities from high tech to handcraft to design and everything in between!

Part of the Wood Processing Industry

Residential
Commercial
Institutional

- Furniture
- Architectural woodwork
- **Kitchen/bathroom**
- General millwork
- Mass timber buildings
- Modular homes
- Construction components (windows and doors, flooring)
- Niche wood products (baseball bats, pool cues, croquet mallets, picture frames)

What kinds of jobs are there?

- Technicians
- Design
- Logistics
- Woodworking
- Administration
- Drafting
- Installers
- Management
- Engineering
- Human Resources
- Carpentry
- Finishing/Coatings
- Sales
- Finance
- and so much more!



What are the benefits?

- **Lots of employment opportunities**
- **Essential industry**, resilient in crisis (Covid-19)
- **Wide range of jobs** to choose from within the industry
- **High School or College level** apprenticeships
- **NO large student debt**
- Opportunities to **work your way up** in the business
- **More independent** to be able to fix things and have the confidence to do it
- **Option to work with your hands** and create – the skies the limit!
- **Lots of tech**, software/robotics etc.
- **Make a difference in people's lives** by designing and building beautiful spaces where people live and work
- **Great working environment**, part of a team
- **Regular working hours** to balance with friends and family
- **Men and women** are in this industry – women make great woodworkers!
- **Own your own business** – be your own boss!

Proudly built in **Canada (eh!)**

- Companies in every province
- In cities large and small
- Choose larger city or rural area
- Good for environment – wood is sustainable and available
- Good for Canadian economy, manufacturing in Canada, not dependent on foreign imports
- Good standards of employment
- Community-oriented business



What some people say who work in our industry:

Skills for work and home life

“It’s super fun once you get used to it. It’s something that you’ll always have, you’ll never forget it. It’s handy if you ever need to build something in your home and it’s just a good skill to have.”

Learning and growth

“You learn something new every day. It’s a satisfying and fun job because you’re building something and you’re done and you look at what you’ve done and you are proud and impressed with what you can do.”

What some people say who work in our industry:

It's not just a male industry!

“I am a woman, so I feel there's a bit of a stigma around women in the trades. But I enjoy my job and woodworkers are real characters, they can be very funny. It's not as scary as I thought, it's a lot more friendly and I'm really into it.”

Continual work

“I don't think there will ever be a time that we are no longer making things out of wood. I feel like there's always a place for woodworkers in the world. I can't think of a lot of disadvantages to it because it's a pretty useful trade and you can be creative, add your own flair.”

The future is bright for this industry

Lots of opportunities for growth and innovation

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- **Technology** – Artificial Intelligence, Dashboards
 - **Immersive design** – 3D simulations, metaverse etc.
 - **Advanced machinery**, automation/robotics
 - **Handwork still required** for custom
 - **Profitable** – potential growth
 - **Continual** improvement/advancement
 - **Smart** rooms/homes/building
 - **Innovative** design
 - **Environment** – wood is a sustainable product, healthy, sequestered carbon
 - **Pods** – modular construction
 - There are many jobs available