



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 2023, more than basic people skills were required for 26.8 percent of butchers and meat cutters, and basic people skills were required for 73.2 percent.

Table 1. Percentage of butchers and meat cutters with cognitive and mental requirements, 2023

Requirement	Yes	No
Pace: Pause control	16.8	83.2
Interaction with general public	96.4	3.6
Working around crowds	<0.5	>99.5
Telework	<0.5	>99.5
Work review: Supervising others	5.0	95.0
Work review: Presence of supervisor	84.1	15.9

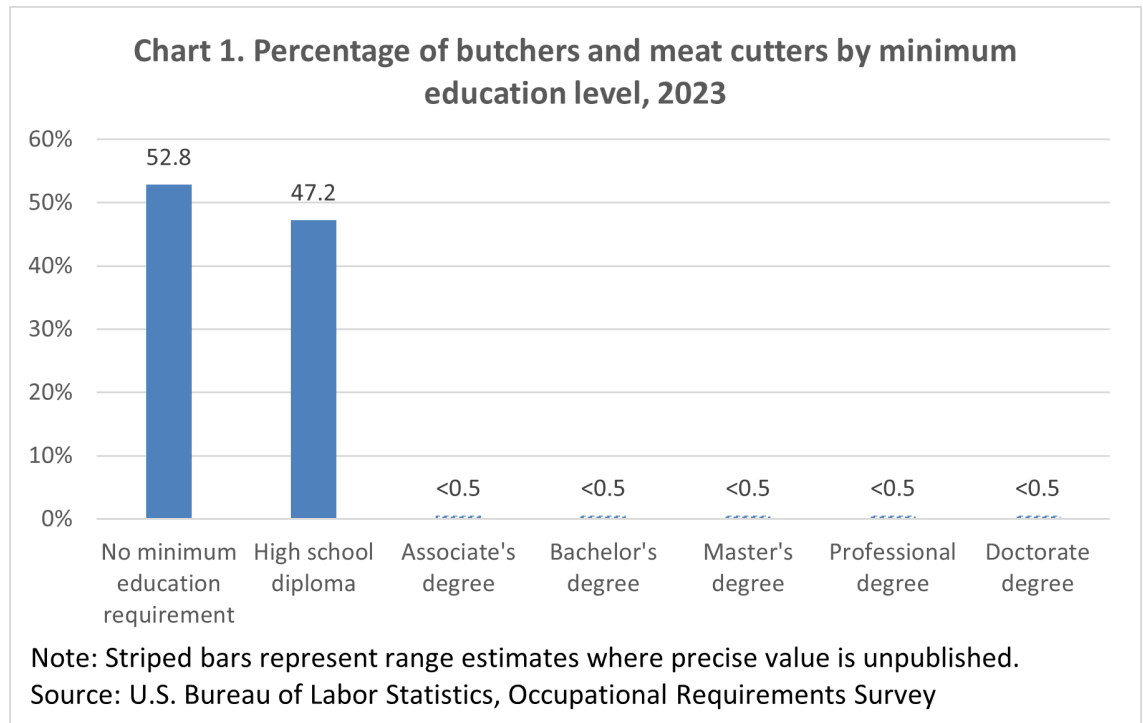
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey

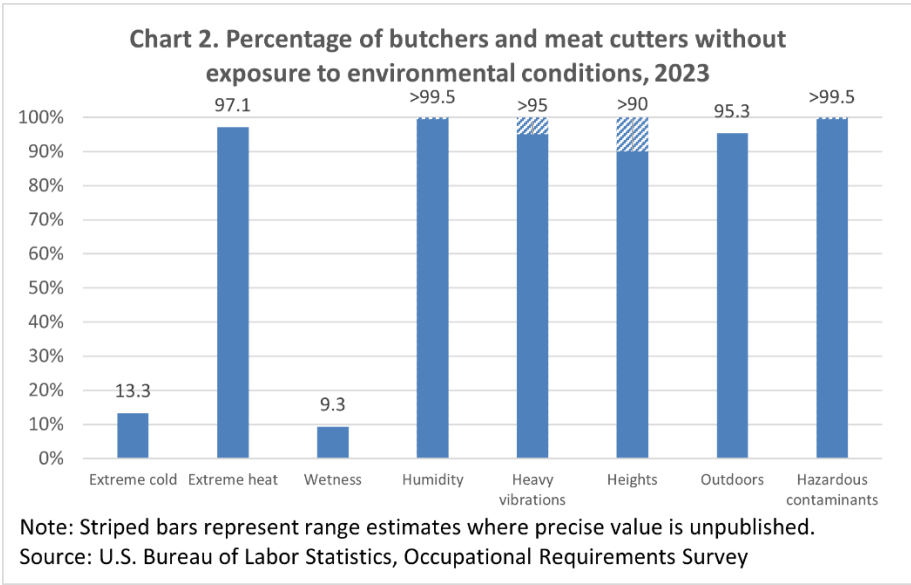
Education, training, and experience requirements

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

In 2023, credentials were required for 35.8 percent of butchers and meat cutters. Prior work experience was required for 61.3 percent.

No minimum education was required for 52.8 percent of butchers and meat cutters and a high school diploma was required for 47.2 percent.





Environmental conditions

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

In 2023, 13.3 percent of butchers and meat cutters were not exposed to extreme cold, and 97.1 percent were not exposed to extreme heat. Wetness was not present for 9.3 percent, greater than 95 percent were not exposed to heavy vibrations, and 95.3 percent were not exposed to the outdoors.

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 2023, reaching at or below the shoulder was required for greater than 95 percent of butchers and meat cutters and was not required for less than 5 percent.

Performing work in low postures was required for 91.1 percent of butchers and meat cutters and was not required for 8.9 percent.

On average, butchers and meat cutters spent 99.7 percent of the workday standing.

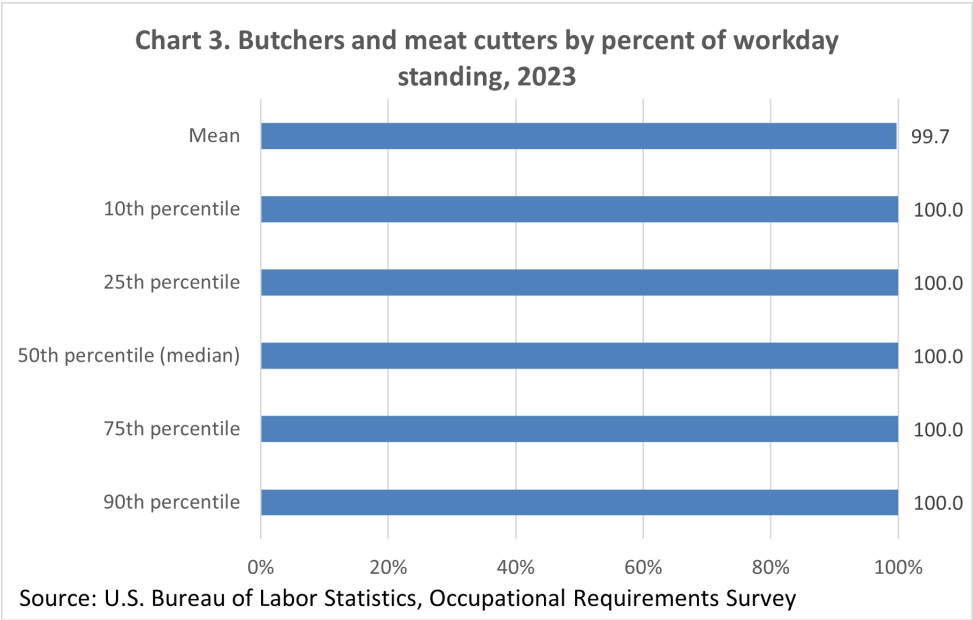


Table 2. Percentage of butchers and meat cutters with physical demands, 2023

Requirement	Yes	No
Choice of sitting or standing	<10	>90
Driving	<0.5	>99.5
Climbing structure-related ramps or stairs	<5	>95

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