

# Licensing Statistics

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# Population by License Type

As of March 31, 2024

License <sup>1</sup>	Population
Automotive Repair Dealer	34,309
Smog Check Test-and-Repair Station	4,143
Smog Check Test-Only Station	1,960
Smog Check Repair-Only Station	29
STAR Station	3,586
Brake Station	694
Lamp Station	684
Smog Check Inspector	12,416
Smog Check Repair Technician	5,262
Brake Adjuster	686
Lamp Adjuster	681
<b>Total</b>	<b>63,764</b>

<sup>1</sup> Per Business and Professions Code section 23.7, and unless otherwise stated, “license” means license, certificate, registration, or other means to engage in a business or profession.

# License Processing – Initial Applications

License	Applications Received	Licenses Approved	Average Processing Time (Days)
Automotive Repair Dealer	1,048	731	28
Smog Check Test & Repair Station	73	57	29
Smog Check Test-Only Station	69	50	36
Smog Check Repair-Only Station	3	1	15
STAR Station	93	55	6
Brake Station	31	20	21
Lamp Station	33	20	23
Smog Check Inspector*	411	160	60
Smog Check Repair Technician*	154	59	72
Brake Adjuster*	248	41	47
Lamp Adjuster*	212	46	49
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2,375</b>	<b>1,240</b>	<b>35</b>

\* Technician and adjuster processing times factor in up to 90 days for an applicant to take and pass the required licensure examination

# License Processing – Renewal Applications

License	Applications Received	Licenses Approved	Average Processing Time (Days)
Automotive Repair Dealer	9,031	8,959	5
Smog Check Test & Repair Station	1,231	1,220	5
Smog Check Test-Only Station	505	505	5
Smog Check Repair-Only Station	7	7	5
STAR Station*	N/A	N/A	N/A
Brake Station	203	199	5
Lamp Station	204	203	5
Smog Check Inspector	1,377	1,348	5
Smog Check Repair Technician	592	581	5
Brake Adjuster**	N/A	N/A	N/A
Lamp Adjuster**	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Totals</b>	13,150	13,022	5

\* STAR Certifications are not renewed

\*\* Brake and Lamp Adjuster re-applications are not renewed and considered new applications

# Top 10 Business Types

Business types are provided by automotive repair dealers upon licensure and renewal. This information is tied to the service category options displayed on BAR's [Auto Shop Locator](#).

As of March 31, 2024

Primary Business Type	Secondary Business Type
1. General Repair	1. General Repair
2. Auto Body and/or Paint Shop	2. Smog Check Station
3. Smog Check Station	3. Automotive Diagnostic Repair
4. Other	4. Other
5. Tire Shop	5. Tune Up / Oil and Lube Shop
6. Mobile Automotive Repair	6. Tire Shop
7. New/Used Car Dealer	7. Brake/Front End Alignment Shop
8. Transmission Repair Shop	8. Preventative Maintenance
9. Tune Up / Oil and Lube Shop	9. Auto Body / Paint Shop
10.Preventative Maintenance Services	10.Mobile Automotive Repair

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