

Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery



Occupational Profile

WHAT THEY DO

Drives a truck, van, or other vehicle with a capacity under 3 tons to transport materials, products, or people. Belongs to the Transportation, Distribution and Logistics cluster and Transportation Operations pathway.

SKILLS YOU NEED

Basic Skills:

- Reading Comprehension
- Active Listening
- Speaking
- Learning Strategies

Transferable Skills (applicable in other careers): High level

- Driving vehicles of less than three tons
- Operating trains, buses, or trucks to transport people or freight

Medium level

- Following travel directions
- Inspecting vehicles
- Loading and unloading materials
- Preparing and maintaining work logs and reports

Workplace Skills:

Medium level

- Coordination
- Equipment Maintenance
- Operation and Control
- Service Orientation
- Time Management
- Social Perceptiveness

Additional skills for this occupation may be found at <http://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/career-exploration-resources>

IS THIS FOR YOU?

Work Interests are described in the following categories (compatible with Holland's Model) by people who tend to succeed in this career:

- **Realistic** – You are a "doer". You like physical activities and projects. You like to find the answers to problems by doing hands-on work instead of talking about solutions.
- **Conventional** – You are an "organizer". Keeping things neat and organized is important to you. You like working with charts and reports, and work well with power and authority.

Work Values are aspects of work that are satisfying to you. The following work values are generally associated with this career.

- **Support** – It's very important to you to know the company stands behind its workers and has competent, considerate and fair management.

Aptitudes reflect a person's ability to acquire skills and knowledge. The following aptitudes are important for success in the career:

- **Spatial Perception**
- **Eye-Hand Coordination**
- **Manual Dexterity**

ESTIMATED & PROJECTED EMPLOYMENT

Occupational Title	2012 Estimated Employment	2022 Projected Employment	2012-22 Employment Change	Annual Growth Rate (%)	Total Annual Openings
Total, All Occupations	1,758,205	1,955,480	197,275	1.1	61,665
Transportation & Material Moving Occupations	133,170	150,785	17,615	1.3	4,675
Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	10,365	11,670	1,310	1.3	295

Source: <http://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/occupational-projections-0>

2015 WAGE & SALARY (\$)

Occupational Title	Average Wage	Average Salary	Entry Wage	Entry Salary	Experienced Wage	Experienced Salary
Total, All Occupations	19.77	41,122	9.55	19,858	24.88	51,755
Transportation & Material Moving Occupations	16.13	33,552	9.50	19,761	19.45	40,448
Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	15.07	31,354	9.14	19,020	18.04	37,521

Source: <http://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/occupational-projections-0>

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Education	Work Experience	Job Training
High School Diploma	None	Short-Term On-The-Job

Delivery truck drivers and driver/sales workers typically enter their occupations with a high school diploma or equivalent. They undergo 1 month or less of on-the-job training. Licensure is required from the state motor vehicle department for the state in which they work.

Source: <http://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/occupational-projections-0> and <https://secure.ihaveaplaniowa.gov/>

NATIONAL CAREER READINESS CERTIFICATE (NCRC)

Skill	Median Skill Level
Applied Mathematics	4
Locating Information	5
Reading for Information	3

This ACT-developed credential demonstrates achievement and a certain level of workplace employability skills. The greater the score, the greater the skill level (Bronze = 3, Silver = 4, Gold = 5, Platinum = 6).

Source: <http://www.act.org/workkeys/analysis/occup.html>

PRIMARY INDUSTRY SECTORS

(Where Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Employed?)

Couriers & Messengers
 Merchant Wholesalers
 Agriculture
 Self Employed
 Building Material & garden Supply Dealers
 Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealers
 Transit and Ground Passenger Transportation
 Furniture & Home Furnishings Stores
 Food Services & Drinking Places
 Miscellaneous Store Retailers

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