

HEAVY & TRACTOR-TRAILER TRUCK DRIVER

WHAT WILL I BE DOING?

- Check vehicles to ensure that mechanical, safety and emergency equipment is in good working order
- Follow appropriate safety procedures for transporting dangerous goods
- Maintain logs of working hours or of vehicle service or repair status, following applicable state and federal regulations
- Inspect loads to ensure that cargo is secure
- Secure cargo for transport, using ropes, blocks, chain, binders or covers
- Crank trailer landing gear up or down to safely secure vehicles

NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL WAGE INFORMATION

	Entry Level Hourly Wage	2016 Employment	Projected 2026 Employment
Capital Area	\$14.03	4,820	5,518
Texas	\$14.65	185,215	217,493
United States	\$15.95	1,871,700	1,980,100

WHAT JOB TITLES SHOULD I SEARCH FOR?

- Heavy & Tractor Trailer Truck Driver
- Vehicle Driver
- CDL Truck Driver

WHERE COULD I WORK?

- General Freight Trucking
- Specialized Freight Trucking
- Support Activities for Mining
- Grocery and Related Product Merchant Wholesalers

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS NEEDED

WHAT TYPE OF EDUCATION AND/OR TRAINING WILL I NEED?

Workers in occupations at this level can develop the skills needed for average job performance after obtaining a commercial drivers' license.

WILL I NEED A SPECIAL LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION?

Many occupations prefer or require at least one certification for entry or advancement. Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers must have a commercial driver's license (CDL).

Primary Data Sources: Texas Workforce Commission at texaslmi.com, JobsEQ at jobseq.eqsuite.com, Bureau of Labor Statistics at bls.gov, and CareerOneStop at careerinfonet.org, 2018, Nationwide data is for 2019



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CAPITAL AREA CAREER LADDER

* Also Included on Targeted Occupation List (PY 2021)

Supervisor of Transportation & Material Moving Workers

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$16.39
- Median Level: \$26.80

Typical Education & Experience

- High School Diploma or Equivalent
- Less than 5 years experience

239 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026

Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Driver

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$14.03
- Median Level: \$18.18

Typical Education & Experience

- Postsecondary non-degree award
- Short-term on-the-job training

698 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026

Light Truck or Delivery Service Driver

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$12.16
- Median Level: \$19.02

Typical Education & Experience

- High School Diploma or Equivalent
- Short-term on-the-job training

535 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026

Laborer & Freight, Stock, & Material Mover, Hand

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$10.28
- Median Level: \$12.34

Typical Education & Experience

- Short-term on-the-job training

1,206 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026

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