

# 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

	2017 Entry Level Hourly Wage	2016 Employment	Projected 2026 Employment
<b>Capital Area</b>	<b>\$13.38</b>	<b>4,820</b>	<b>5,518</b>
Texas	\$14.24	185,215	217,493
United States	\$14.29	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](http://texaslmi.com), JobsEQ at [jobseq.eqsuite.com](http://jobseq.eqsuite.com), Bureau of Labor Statistics at [bls.gov](http://bls.gov), and CareerOneStop at [careerinfonet.org](http://careerinfonet.org) October 2018



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## CAPITAL AREA CAREER LADDER

\* Also Included on Targeted Occupation List (PY 2019)

### Supervisor of Transportation & Material Moving Workers

#### Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$16.62
- Median Level: \$26.90

#### 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: \$13.38
- Median Level: \$17.76

#### 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: \$10.96
- Median Level: \$17.08

#### 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: \$10.11
- Median Level: \$11.87

#### Typical Education & Experience

- Short-term on-the-job training

**1,206 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026**

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