



# CAREER PATH Industrial & Engineering Technology

CAREER CLUSTER  
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics

CAREER PATHWAY  
Transportation Operations



## TRUCK DRIVER, LIGHT OR DELIVERY SERVICES

Drive a truck or van with a capacity of under 26,000 GVW, primarily to deliver or pick up merchandise or to deliver packages within a specified area. May require use of automatic routing or location software. May load and unload truck.

### Knowledge and Skills Needed

In addition to courses required for high school graduation, essential skills and knowledge needed for a career as a truck driver, light or delivery services are reinforced by taking rigorous and relevant courses, as well as participating in work-based experiences and student organization activities.

*(See the Sample Personal Plan of Study for suggested coursework, activities, and knowledge and skills to pursue in preparation of an occupation in this Career Cluster.)*

### Education Requirements

Occupation	Percent of Missouri employees aged 25 to 44 in the occupation whose highest level of educational attainment is:		
	High School or Less	Some College	Bachelor Degree or More
Truck drivers, light or delivery services	70.7%	25.2%	4.1%
Motor vehicle operators	65.5%	29.9%	4.6%
Transportation and material moving	58.6%	31.0%	10.4%

Most Common Educational Level: Short-term on-the-job training

Note: Be sure to learn whether your occupation has a specific requirement for education or licensing. Apprenticeships are available for more than 240 occupations. Visit [www.oa.doleta.gov/bat.cfm](http://www.oa.doleta.gov/bat.cfm)

### National and State Wage Information

Location	Pay Period	2007		
		Entry*	Median	Experienced**
United States	Hourly	\$9.68	\$12.68	\$16.82
	Yearly	\$20,100	\$26,400	\$35,000
Missouri	Hourly	\$9.53	\$12.34	\$16.48
	Yearly	\$19,800	\$25,700	\$34,300

Based on (\*) lower 25% and (\*\*) upper 25% percentile of wages

### National and State Employment Trends

Truck Driver, Light or Delivery Services	Employment		Percent Change	Job Openings*
	2006	2016		
United States	1,051,200	1,140,000	+ 8%	27,530
Missouri	19,220	21,140	+ 10%	370

\*The estimate for Job Openings includes both turnover that results from people who leave the occupation (e.g. quit, retire, death) and new jobs that are created.

### Educational Opportunities

*Note: This list may not be all inclusive. For more information about Missouri schools and programs, visit [www.dhe.mo.gov](http://www.dhe.mo.gov)*

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