

The Current State of the Truck Driving Industry

A Vital Profession in Need of Quality Drivers

Have you ever thought about what it would be like to be a professional truck driver? If you have, there are a lot of things to consider. For those who are drawn to the profession, it provides a number of benefits—career stability, travel, and never being stuck in an office behind a desk.

As with any industry, truck driving has evolved over time and continues to evolve. So, if this is a career you think might be right for you, here's a quick look at the state of the truck driving industry in 2018.



ECONOMIC IMPACT

Trucking is the lifeblood of the U.S. economy. The most recent statistics show that the trucking industry generates approximately \$726 billion annually, and freight revenue is forecasted to grow 75 percent by the year 2026



SHORTAGE OF DRIVERS

According to the American Trucking Associations, there is a current shortage of 30,000 to 35,000 drivers. And the ATA projects that by 2022 that shortage could be as high as 245,000. The group estimates that it will take nearly 100,000 new drivers every year to counter these shortages.



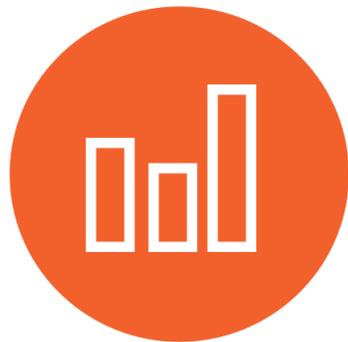
A POPULAR OCCUPATION

Even with the projected shortage, trucking is still one of the more popular occupations in the country. In fact, the ATA estimates there are approximately 35 million truck drivers in the U.S. currently. And when you factor in those who aren't drivers but still work in the trucking industry, it comes to one out of every 15 workers in the country being employed in the trucking industry.



TRUCKING TONNAGE VS. OTHER TRANSPORTATION

Over 70 percent of all the freight tonnage moved annually in the U.S. is transported by trucks. This amounts to approximately 10.5 billion tons of freight every year that's moved by trucks and truck drivers, far outpacing other transports such as air, rail, water, and pipeline.



TRUCK DRIVER PAY IN OHIO

According to O*Net Online, the median yearly salary for heavy and tractor-trailer truck drivers in the state of Ohio is \$41,790.

BENEFITS OF TRUCK DRIVING



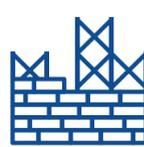
Good Pay



High-growth profession



Travel and scenery



Career stability

If the numbers for you add up and a career as a truck driver sounds like a good fit, the first thing to do is find a training program that will offer you top-notch preparation and excellent instruction, and one that will get you out on the road earning money quickly.



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