



Industry sector at a glance

Driving

About

Almost every industry and sector involves driving, transport and logistics. Goods need to be transported, for example, as part of a supply chain and people access different types of transport to get from one location to another. The driving sector can be split into four primary functions:

Passenger Transport

Passenger transport consisting of buses, trams, underground (Metro), taxi, light rail and trains are typically managed by operators using schedules on established routes that charge a fee for each trip.

Logistics

Logistics can be identified as freight transportation, maritime and port operations, postal and courier services, warehousing, storage and handling.

Vehicles

Vehicles such as a fork-lift truck and pickers are also included in the classification for driving as they still require competence and a licence/licences to operate the vehicles.

Haulage

Haulage and logistics consist of heavyweight vehicles designed to carry large loads of products, equipment and produce over long distances.

Roles available

There are many different roles available in the driving sector, here are just a few:

Employed:

 HGV/Truck Driver	 Grocery Delivery Driver	 Forklift Driver
 Emergency Services Driver	 Workshop Operative/Driver	

Self-employed:

 Taxi Driver	 Driving Instructor	 Overnight Dispatcher
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Driving roles are varied and determined by the type of service being provided.



What it takes to work in driving

Here are some of the qualities required to work in driving:

 Ability to meet the physical demands of the role	 Comfortable with working unsociable hours
 Able to work autonomously	 Flexibility

Did you know?

 **Growth of online shopping and living means delivery drivers will be needed even more than ever before.**

 There are around 220,000 people employed in road haulage in the UK, which makes up around 13% of the driving sector workforce	 There are different driving licence/licences required for different vehicles. For full information on licensing, visit www.gov.uk
 As of 2020, there are approximately 365,000 taxi and private hire vehicle licences in the UK	 There are higher medical and eyesight standards for driving larger vehicles

 **If applying to drive Passenger Carrying Vehicles, you must tell the employer and the DVLA if you have any criminal convictions. You must also tell the DVLA if you have any driving convictions.**

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