



South Dakota High Demand & High Wage Career

Career Cluster:

Supply Chain & Transportation



First-Line Supervisors of Transportation & Material Moving Workers

Standard Occupational Code 53-1047

What They Do

Directly supervise and coordinate the activities of a variety of transportation and material moving workers. For example, they may directly supervise long-haul truckers or oversee daily operations in a warehouse.

Is This For You?

Work Interests are described in the following categories (compatible with Holland's Model). People who tend to succeed in this career are:

Enterprising (Persuaders) — Like to influence, persuade or lead people and manage others. They enjoy working on a team toward goals, competition and business-like activities.

Conventional (Organizers) — Detail oriented and organized. They like to analyze data, keep financial records and do research. They can be counted on to be accurate and enjoy structure and closure.

Work Styles (personality tendencies) of people who perform well in this occupation have:

Leadership Orientation — A tendency to lead, take charge, offer opinions, and provide direction at work.

Cautiousness — A tendency to be careful, deliberate, and risk-avoidant when making work-related decisions or doing work.

Integrity — A tendency to be honest and ethical at work.

Abilities reflect a person's aptitude to acquire skills and knowledge. The following abilities are important for success in the career.

- Oral Comprehension
- Oral Expression
- Problem Sensitivity
- Written Comprehension
- Deductive Reasoning
- Near Vision

Work Activities

- Direct material handling or moving activities.
- Explain regulations, policies, or procedures.
- Resolve personnel problems.
- Plan work operations.

Education & Training

A high school diploma or equivalent is the minimum level of education recommended for first-line supervisors of transportation and material moving workers. Work experience in the tasks being supervised is also important.

A registered apprenticeship is another option for preparing for this occupation. To learn more, visit StartTodaySD.com or contact your local Job Service office to get started.

Where They Work

The South Dakota industries which employ the largest number of first-line supervisors of transportation and material moving occupations are:

- Truck Transportation
- Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods
- Warehousing and Storage
- Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods
- Couriers and Messengers
- Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals
- General Merchandise Retailers
- Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing
- Food Manufacturing

South Dakota Employment & Wages

2024 Employment	2034 Employment	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Average Annual Openings	Annual Median Wage	Annual Average Wage
1,554	1,720	166	10.7%	173	\$64,780	\$64,760

Additional References

Labor Market Information Center

www.dlr.sd.gov/lmic

Career OneStop

www.careeronestop.org

O*Net Online

www.onetonline.org

mySkills myFuture

<https://www.myskillsmyfuture.org/>

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