

## Construction Laborers

**Also called:** Construction Laborer, Construction Worker, Equipment Operator (EO), Post Framer

### What they do:

Perform tasks involving physical labor at construction sites. May operate hand and power tools of all types: air hammers, earth tampers, cement mixers, small mechanical hoists, surveying and measuring equipment, and a variety of other equipment and instruments. May clean and prepare sites, dig trenches, set braces to support the sides of excavations, erect scaffolding, and clean up rubble, debris, and other waste materials. May assist other craft workers.

### On the job, you would:

- Tend pumps, compressors, or generators to provide power for tools, machinery, or equipment or to heat or move materials, such as asphalt.
- Lubricate, clean, or repair machinery, equipment, or tools.
- Signal equipment operators to facilitate alignment, movement, or adjustment of machinery, equipment, or materials.

## KNOWLEDGE

### Engineering and Technology

- building and construction
- mechanical

### Safety and Government

- public safety and security

## SKILLS

### Basic Skills

- talking to others
- listening to others, not interrupting, and asking good questions

### Problem Solving

- noticing a problem and figuring out the best way to solve it

# ABILITIES

## Hand and Finger Use

- hold or move items with your hands
- keep your arm or hand steady

## Controlled Movement

- use your arms and/or legs together while sitting, standing, or lying down
- quickly change the controls of a machine, car, truck or boat

## Endurance

- exercise for a long time without getting out of breath

## Physical Strength

- lift, push, pull, or carry

# PERSONALITY

People interested in this work like activities that include **practical, hands-on** problems and solutions.

They do well at jobs that need:

- **Attention to Detail**
- **Dependability**
- **Cooperation**
- **Integrity**
- **Stress Tolerance**
- **Concern for Others**

# TECHNOLOGY

You might use software like this on the job:

## Spreadsheet software

- Microsoft Excel 🔥

## Electronic mail software

- Microsoft Outlook

## Office suite software

- Microsoft Office software 🔥

# EDUCATION



**high school diploma/GED** or  
**no high school diploma/GED**

usually needed

# JOB OUTLOOK

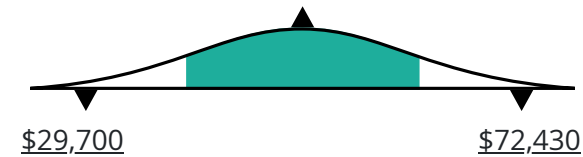


New job opportunities are **very likely** in the future.

**Bright**

SALARY:

**\$40,750**



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