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## WHO ARE THEY?

Construction trades helpers and labourers assist skilled tradespersons and perform labouring activities at construction sites, in quarries and in surface mines.



## WHERE THEY WORK

They are employed by construction companies, trade and labour contractors, and surface mine and quarry operators.

# MAIN DUTIES

Load and unload construction materials, and move materials to work areas

Erect and dismantle concrete forms, scaffolding, ramps, catwalks, shoring and barricades required at construction sites

Mix, pour and spread materials such as concrete and asphalt

Assist tradespersons such as carpenters, bricklayers, cement finishers, roofers and glaziers in construction activities

Assist heavy equipment operators to secure special attachments to equipment, signal operators to guide them in moving equipment and provide assistance in other activities

Assist in aligning pipes and perform related activities during oil and gas pipeline construction

Assist in drilling and blasting rock at construction sites



Assist miners in excavating and in setting up and operating various drills and other surface mining machinery

Level earth to fine grade specifications using rake and shovel

Assist in demolishing buildings using prying bars and other tools, and sort, clean and pile salvaged materials

Remove rubble and other debris at construction sites using rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows and other equipment

Operate pneumatic hammers, vibrators and tampers as directed  
Tend or feed machines or equipment used in construction such as mixers, compressors and pumps

Clean up chemical spills and other contaminants, and remove asbestos and other hazardous materials

Oil and grease hoists and similar equipment

Direct traffic at or near construction sites

Perform other activities at construction sites, as directed.

# Employment Requirements



Some experience as a general construction labourer may be required for construction trade helpers.

Some pipeline workers, such as stabbers, mandrel operators and pre-heater tenders, usually require one season of experience in oil and gas pipeline construction.

Flagmen/women may require a traffic control certificate.

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