

Canada NOC 2026 & TEER Categories Guide

This infographic-style guide explains Canada's National Occupation Classification (NOC) 2026 system, TEER categories, Express Entry relevance, and high-demand occupations. The NOC system is used by IRCC to determine eligibility for immigration pathways including Express Entry, Provincial Nominee Programs (PNPs), and work permits.

Understanding TEER Categories

Occupation Group	Sample NOC Roles
Management	Restaurant Managers, HR Managers, IT Directors
Professional	Software Engineers, Doctors, Accountants
Technical / Skilled	Web Developers, Network Technicians, Paralegal
Trades / Support	Bakers, Dental Assistants, Truck Drivers
Intermediate	Retail Salespersons, Childcare Workers
Labour	Delivery Helpers, Landscaping Labourers

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High Demand Occupations in Canada

NOC Sector	Popular Occupations
Healthcare	Nurses, Physicians, Pharmacists, Caregivers
STEM	Software Engineers, Cybersecurity Analysts, Data Scientists
Trades	Electricians, Welders, Plumbers, Mechanics
Transport	Truck Drivers, Aircraft Mechanics, Dispatchers
Agriculture	Farm Supervisors, Butchers, Food Processing Workers
Education	Teachers, Early Childhood Educators
Finance	Financial Advisors, Accountants, Auditors
Hospitality	Chefs, Hotel Managers, Restaurant Supervisors

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Express Entry Eligible TEER Levels

Eligible Levels	Immigration Relevance
TEER 0	Executive and management occupations
TEER 1	University degree professions
TEER 2	College diploma and technical roles
TEER 3	Trades and support occupations

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Healthcare NOC Codes

Occupation	Example NOC
Registered Nurses	31301
Physicians	31102
Pharmacists	31120
Caregivers	44101

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Technology NOC Codes

Occupation	Example NOC
Software Engineers	21231
Web Developers	21234
Data Scientists	21211
Cybersecurity Specialists	21220

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Trades & Transport NOC Codes

Occupation	Example NOC
Electricians	72200
Truck Drivers	73300
Welders	72106
Plumbers	72300

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How to Choose the Right NOC Code

Step	Action
1	Match duties, not job title
2	Compare with official NOC description
3	Use the closest matching occupation
4	Verify TEER eligibility

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ECA & Language Test Relevance

Requirement	Purpose
IELTS/CELPIP	Language eligibility
TEF/TCF	French language points
ECA	Foreign education equivalency

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Express Entry & CRS Impact

Factor	Effect on CRS
Education	Higher education boosts points
Language	CLB 9+ increases CRS
Canadian Experience	Major CRS advantage
Job Offer	Additional points

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2026 Immigration Tips

Tip	Recommendation
Target TEER 0-3	Best eligibility chances
Improve Language	Increase CRS score
Choose In-Demand NOCs	Better PR pathways
Track IRCC Draws	Monitor category invitations

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