

**driver**[ˈdraɪvə] *n*

1. *см.* drive II + -er
2. 1) водитель; шофёр  
truck driver - шофёр грузовика  
tractor and combine drivers - трактористы и комбайнёры  
racing driver - гонщик  
he's an expert driver - он отлично водит машину  
to be in the driver's seat - а) сидеть за рулём; б) верховодить, командовать; держать бразды правления (*в доме, в семье*)
- 2) вагоножатый
- 3) машинист
- 4) *воен.* механик-водитель
3. извозчик, кучер
4. 1) погонщик (скота), гуртовщик  
2) надсмотрщик за рабами, погонщик (*мж.* slave driver)
5. оператор  
crane driver - крановщик
6. *тех.*  
1) двигатель; движитель  
2) ведущий элемент передачи  
3) формирова́тель усилитель  
current driver - формирова́тель тока  
digit driver - разрядный формирова́тель
7. клюшка (*для гольфа*)
8. *мор.* парусный дрейфтер
9. *мор.*  
1) драйвер, косая бизань  
2) бизань-мачта
10. *тех.*  
1) пуансон, бородок  
2) отвёртка  
3) поводок
11. *радио* возбудитель
12. *вчт.* драйвер (*устройство сопряжения между ЭВМ и управляемым ею устройством*); управляющая программа

**driver**

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**driver** [driver drivers] *BrE* [ˈdraɪvə(ɪ)] <sup>m</sup> *NAmE* [ˈdraɪvə] <sup>m</sup> **noun**

1. a person who drives a vehicle
  - a **bus/train/ambulance/taxi driver**
  - She climbed into the driver's seat.
  - The accident was the other driver's fault.
  - (*BrE*) a **learner driver** (= one who has not yet passed a driving test)
  - (*NAmE*) a **student driver**
  - The car comes equipped with a driver's airbag.

**see also** ↑back-seat driver
2. (in ↑golf) a ↑club with a wooden head
3. (*computing*) software that controls the sending of data between a computer and a piece of equipment that is attached to it, such as a printer
4. one of the main things that influence sth or cause it to make progress
  - Housing is a key driver of the economy.
  - Young people are widely perceived as the big pop industry drivers.

**see** be in the driver's seat **at** ↑seat <sub>n</sub>.

Thesaurus:**driver** **noun** C

- She's a good driver.
- chauffeur** • **especially journalism** **motorist** • **speeding** drivers/motorists
- be** sb's driver/chauffeur

**Driver or motorist?** **Motorist** is usually used in journalism to talk about car drivers as a group in society, often to contrast them with **pedestrians** and **cyclists**.

Example Bank:

- I can't stand back-seat drivers.
- I didn't drink because I was the designated driver.
- Learner drivers are not allowed on the motorways.
- a campaign aimed at car drivers to promote walking and cycling
- A student driver was injured in the accident.
- Can I see your driver's license please?

- Dangerous drivers face imprisonment.
- He told the driver to turn back.
- Many accidents involved drunk drivers.
- She was run over by a hit-and-run driver.
- She's a good driver.
- She's an experienced and careful driver.
- The ambassador and his driver were both killed in the explosion.
- The window on the driver's side was open.
- There are parking places for disabled drivers.
- What he wanted most was to be a racing driver.
- a bus/train/taxi/truck/lorry driver
- a learner driver

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**driver** **S1 W2** /ˈdraɪvə/\$ -ər/ **BrE** <sup>ˈ</sup> **AmE** <sup>ˈ</sup> **noun** [countable]

[Word Family: **noun**: ↑drive, ↑driver, ↑driving **verb**: ↑drive; **adjective**: ↑driving]

1. someone who drives a car, bus etc ⇒ **chauffeur**:

• a taxi driver

• Do you think you're a good driver?

2. **technical** a piece of software that makes a computer work with another piece of equipment such as a printer or a mouse

3. a ↑**golf club** with a wooden head

⇒ **back seat driver** at ↑**back seat**(2), ⇒ **Sunday driver** at ↑**Sunday**(3)

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### COLLOCATIONS

#### ■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + driver

• a **taxi/bus/truck etc driver** Car drivers face a new daily charge to enter the capital.

• a **racing driver** (=driving racing cars in competitions) world famous racing drivers like Lewis Hamilton

• a **good driver** He thinks he's a very good driver.

• a **careful/safe driver** Since I had the accident, I'm a much more careful driver.

• a **bad driver** There are a lot of bad drivers on the roads.

• a **dangerous driver** Some young men tend to be dangerous drivers.

• a **reckless driver** (=taking risks and not worrying about the results) Reckless drivers should be given more severe punishments.

• a **drunken/drunken driver** (=who has drunk too much alcohol) Her husband was killed by a drunken driver.

• a **hit-and-run driver** (=in which a car driver hits someone and does not stop) The boy was in hospital after being knocked down by a hit-and-run driver.

• a **learner driver** (=who is learning to drive) Learner drivers spend a lot of money on driving lessons.

• a **an experienced driver** (=who has a lot of experience of driving) Young drivers are ten times more likely to be killed on the road than experienced drivers.

• a **an inexperienced driver** (=who does not have much experience of driving) Many accidents are caused by young or inexperienced drivers.

• a **delivery driver** (=delivering goods to a place) He's a delivery driver for a pizza takeaway restaurant.

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### THESAURUS

• **driver** someone who regularly drives, or someone who is driving a car, train, etc at a particular time: Car drivers now pay more than ever for fuel. | The coach was badly damaged, but the driver was unhurt.

• **motorist** [usually plural] *especially written* someone who drives a car – used especially when talking about car drivers in general: increased taxes on the motorist | Motorists who are caught speeding have to pay a heavy fine.

• **chauffeur** someone whose job is to drive a car for someone else: He was picked up by a chauffeur in a limousine.

• **trucker** *American English informal* someone who drives a truck: Mexico has no limit on how many hours truckers can drive daily.

• **road hog** *informal* someone who drives dangerously, without considering the safety of other people on the road, for example by not letting other drivers pass: Some road hogs drive at well below the speed limit, because they want to use their mobile phones.

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Frequency Pack

12500 **1228**<sup>MCW</sup>

15000 **291**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **1k** **DRIVE** 160794

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COCA 500k Unlemmatized

10519 **1878**<sup>22945</sup> **nn1**

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<sup>6</sup>341344<sup>6</sup> *jj*

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