



# DRILLERS AND BLASTERS - SURFACE MINING, QUARRYING AND CONSTRUCTION

NOC 73402

Drillers bore blast holes in open-pit mines, quarries and building foundations. Blasters fill blast holes with explosives to detonate and dislodge coal, ore and rock or to demolish structures.



## 3-YEAR OUTLOOK



*Undetermined*

## 3-YEAR JOB OPENINGS

**27**

## MEDIAN HOURLY WAGE

**N/A**

## TYPICALLY REQUIRED



**High school / on-the-job  
training**

## EMPLOYED

**49**

## AVERAGE SALARY

**N/A**

The information presented is based on data for New Brunswick. To learn more about the data provided, visit [www.nbjobs.ca/occupations](http://www.nbjobs.ca/occupations).



## EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

<b>75.0%</b>	Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction
<b>N/A</b>	N/A
<b>N/A</b>	N/A
<b>25.0%</b>	All Other Industries

## EMPLOYMENT BY AGE

<b>0.0%</b>	15-24
<b>0.0%</b>	25-34
<b>0.0%</b>	35-44
<b>0.0%</b>	45-54
<b>0.0%</b>	55-64
<b>0.0%</b>	65+

## ALSO KNOWN AS

- Blaster - Quarrying
- Blaster - Surface Mining
- Construction Driller
- Driller - Surface Mine
- Open-Pit Blaster
- Rotary Drilling Machine Operator

## MAIN DUTIES:

This group performs some or all of the following duties:

- Drive and operate tracked or truck-mounted rotary drilling, air-track or other drilling machines to bore large blast holes to specified depths at staked positions in open-pit mine or quarry
- Operate drilling machines to drill blast holes in rock at road or other construction sites
- Operate tracked or truck-mounted drill equipped with auger or other attachment to drill holes for building foundations or pilings.

