

# Heavy Equipment Operator

As a Heavy Equipment Operator in the forest products industry, you'll be responsible for operating various machines such as stationary cranes, forklifts, dozers, and loaders in sawmills and other forest product facilities. Additionally, you may be required to perform material handling tasks like stacking lumber and preparing it for shipping. This is a physically demanding job that requires quick thinking, attention to detail, and excellent hand-eye coordination.

Other job titles include: Back Hoe Operator, Forklift Operator, Machine Operator, Motor Grader Operator, Operating Engineer, Track Hoe Operator

## Education & Training

These occupations usually require a high school diploma.

## Salary

National Average Salary  
\$40,080 - \$100,690  
National Hourly Wage  
\$19.27 - \$48.41



This job may be right for you if your interests include: realistic, investigative & conventional.



This job may be right for you if your skills include: operation and control, equipment maintenance & monitoring



This job may be right for you if your values include: support, relationships & working conditions.

