

HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATORS (EXCEPT CRANE) (NOC: 7521)



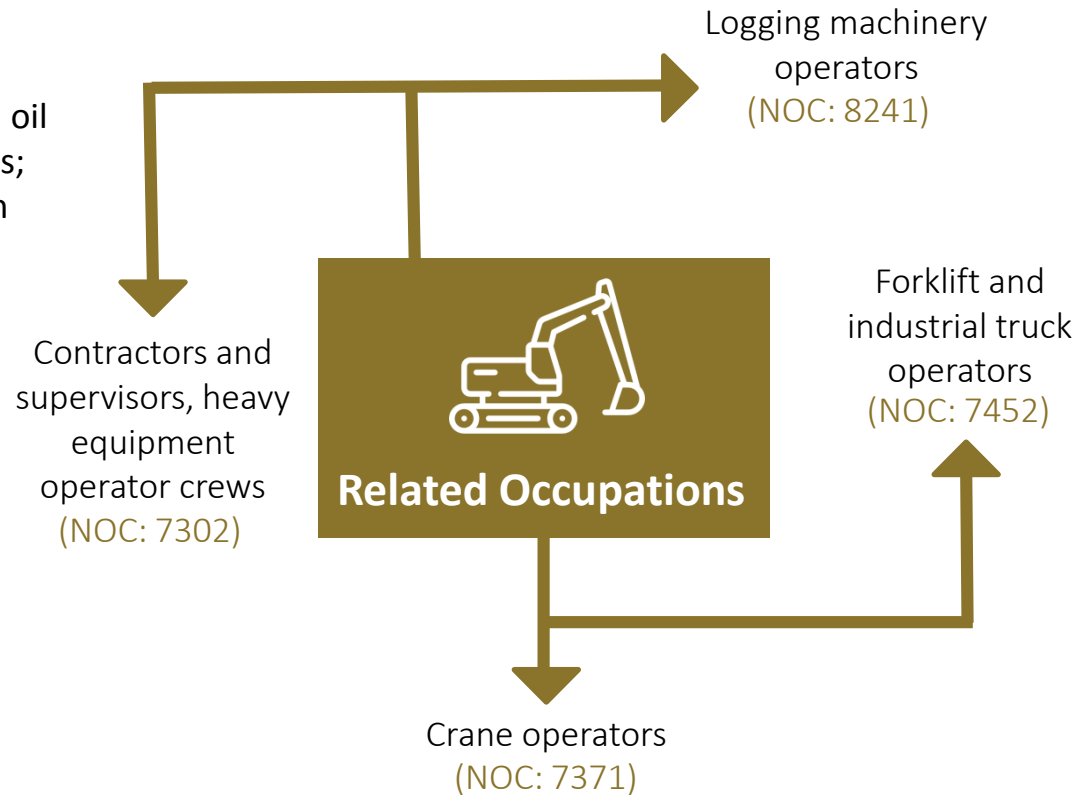
Heavy equipment operators operate heavy equipment used in the construction and maintenance of roads, bridges, airports, gas and oil pipelines, tunnels, buildings and other structures; in surface mining and quarrying activities; and in material handling work. They are employed by construction companies, heavy equipment contractors, public works departments and pipeline, logging, cargo-handling and other companies.



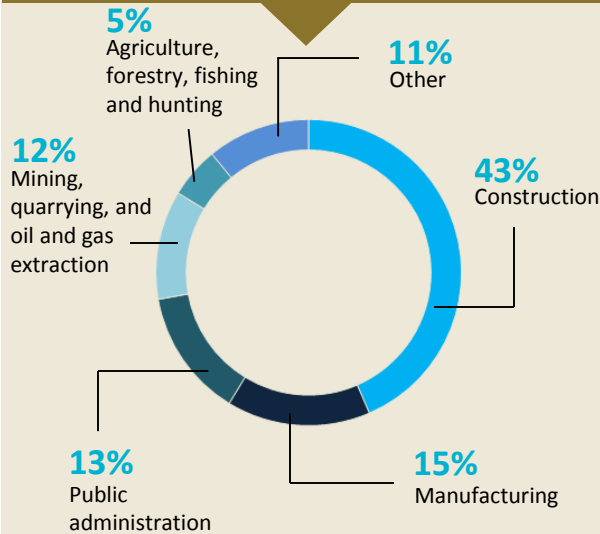
Some secondary school education and completion of a one- to two-year **apprenticeship** program is required



Work Prospects
(2018 - 2020): **Fair**



Employment by Industry



Examples of duties performed

- Operate bulldozers or other heavy equipment to clear brush and stumps prior to logging activities and to build roads at logging and surface mining sites
- Operate heavy equipment with pile driver head to drive piling into earth to provide support for buildings, bridges or other structures
- Operate heavy dredging equipment to deepen waterways or reclaim earth fill
- Operate power shovels to excavate rock, ore or other materials from open-pit mines, strip mines, quarries or construction pits.



Sample Job Titles

Backhoe operator

Bulldozer operator

Surface mining equipment operator

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Job Openings
2017-2026

\$19.50

Median
Wage
(per hour)



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