



# Equipment Operator

**Overview:** Use equipment like cranes, bulldozers, graders, and conveyors to build transportation infrastructure, including highways, railroads, airports, and more.

## Interests & Skills



Working with Machinery



Hands-on Activities



Being on a Team



Working Outdoors

## TxDOT Average Salary

\$59,929/year

## Growth Rate (TX)

14%



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## Entry Points:

- Heavy equipment experience
- Transportation, Distribution & Logistics, and Construction programs of study



## Education Required:

- High school diploma or equivalent required



## Skills/Competencies:

- Operation and control
- Equipment maintenance
- Mechanical knowledge



## Work-based Learning:

- Operating engineer apprenticeships
- Equipment operator apprenticeships
- Job shadowing



## Emerging Skills:

- Facilities management software
- Time accounting



## Available Credentials:

- Forklift Operator
- Certified Equipment Manager
- Certified Graduate Builder

## Exit Opportunities:

- Equipment Mechanic
- Equipment Operator
- Equipment Technician



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