

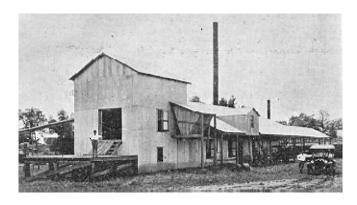


How Loud Is It? Sawmills

Here are some average sawmill noise exposures. Note: individual worker's exposures may vary from these exposures. Noise-induced hearing loss results from a combination of high sound levels and extended periods of exposure to sounds above **85 dBA**.

Protect your hearing when performing these jobs.

1. Noise Exposure Levels



2. Hearing Protection Devices

Hearing protection should be selected based on:

- noise exposure
- communication demands
- hearing ability
- use of other personal protective devices
- temperature and climate
- physical characteristics of the job or worker

Noise Level Recommended HPD

Less than 90 dBA Class C, Grade 1 Less than 95....... Class B, Grade 2 Less than 100...... Class A, Grade 3 Less than 105...... Class A, Grade 4 Less than 110...... Earplugs+Earmuffs