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## Registered apprenticeship training programs

2006

Registrations for apprenticeship training programs increased in all major trade groups in 2006, and women continued to make modest inroads in most of these programs.

In total, 328,165 people were enrolled in apprenticeship programs in 2006, up 11.7% from 2005 and the largest year-over-year increase since 1991. Apprenticeship enrollment rates have risen every year since 1996, after a period of declines in the early 1990s.

The increases in registrations ranged from 13.5% in metal fabricating trades to 8.8% in food and service trades.

Nationally, 20,855 people completed their apprenticeship program in 2006, up 1.5%. Three trade groups accounted for more than 60% of completions: metal fabricating, motor vehicle and heavy equipment, and electrical and electronics.

In all, 35,380 people withdrew from apprenticeship training programs in 2006, up 25.9% from the previous year. Men accounted for 9 out of every 10 of these withdrawals.

The largest proportion of withdrawals, almost 30% of the total, occurred in the building construction trades group.

Registrations among women increased at a slightly faster rate than they did for men. Women accounted for 10.0% of all apprentices in 2006, over twice the proportion in 1992.

Women accounted for 64.8% of those enrolled in apprenticeship programs in the food and service trades groups in 2006.

Nearly three-quarters of the 2,235 women who received their certificates in 2006 did so in the food and service trades group.

The highest growth in registrations among the provinces in 2006 was in British Columbia (+29.7%), while there was a 3.9% decline in Prince Edward Island.

**Note:** Data on registered apprenticeship training for 2006 were obtained using information from the Registered Apprenticeship Information System. It covers both registrations and completions. Total registered includes the still registered from the previous year, the newly registered apprentices from the current year and apprentices that have completed or withdrew from training. In most provinces, registered apprenticeship training combines on-the-job experience with periods of in-class technical training. Apprenticeship programs, depending on the trade or occupation, vary in duration from two to five years. However, it is relatively common for apprenticeship training to extend beyond the required duration. Withdrawals in apprenticeship training include cancellations and suspensions of inactive apprentices by jurisdictions; discontinuers who have notified the jurisdiction they are no longer active in apprenticeship training; and also persons who have stopped training in one trade program, and transferred to another. At any time after a cancellation, suspension or discontinuation, individuals can re-register and continue their apprenticeship training.

**Available on CANSIM: tables 477-0051 and 477-0052.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3154.**

Also available, in addition to registered apprentices, is information on the number of certificates awarded to trade qualifiers (challengers) that are successful in obtaining their certification in a trade without going through an apprenticeship program.

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### Registered apprenticeship training: Completions

Major trade groups	1992	2005	2006	2006	1992 to 2006	2005 to 2006
				% total	% change	% change
Building construction	3,475	2,965	3,190	15.3	-8.2	7.6
Electrical, electronics and related	2,880	3,755	4,110	19.7	42.7	9.5
Food and service	1,460	2,285	2,100	10.1	43.8	-8.1
Industrial and related mechanical	2,235	1,955	1,985	9.5	-11.2	1.5
Metal fabricating	3,750	4,765	4,605	22.1	22.8	-3.4
Motor vehicle and heavy equipment	4,650	4,470	4,425	21.2	-4.8	-1.0
Other <sup>1</sup>	265	365	445	2.1	67.9	21.9
<b>Total<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>18,720</b>	<b>20,555</b>	<b>20,855</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>1.5</b>

1. The trade group "Other" consists of miscellaneous trades and occupations not classified elsewhere. Many of the new apprenticeship trades and occupations that have been introduced since the 1990s have been added to this group. Because of the small numbers and inconsistency in this group, it has been excluded from analysis.

2. Totals may not add up because of rounding.

### Registered apprenticeship training: Total registrations

Major trade groups	1992	2005	2006	2006	1992 to 2006	2005 to 2006
				% total	% change	% change
Building construction	43,705	68,740	75,550	23.0	72.9	9.9
Electrical, electronics and related	34,400	49,435	54,395	16.6	58.1	10.0
Food and service	10,660	27,220	29,615	9.0	177.8	8.8
Industrial and related mechanical	15,050	21,020	23,170	7.1	54.0	10.2
Metal fabricating	37,025	60,620	68,790	21.0	85.8	13.5
Motor vehicle and heavy equipment	37,455	57,755	64,930	19.8	73.4	12.4
Other <sup>1</sup>	2,670	9,045	11,715	3.6	338.8	29.5
<b>Total<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>180,965</b>	<b>293,835</b>	<b>328,165</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>81.3</b>	<b>11.7</b>

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### Registered apprenticeship training: Withdrawals

Major trade groups	1992	2005	2006	2006	1992 to 2006	2005 to 2006
				% total	% change	% change
Building construction	6,720	8,455	10,400	29.4	54.8	23.0
Electrical, electronics and related	3,660	3,660	3,620	10.2	-1.1	-1.1
Food and service	1,365	2,700	3,620	10.2	165.2	34.1
Industrial and related mechanical	1,090	1,495	2,080	5.9	90.8	39.1
Metal fabricating	4,965	5,545	6,620	18.7	33.3	19.4
Motor vehicle and heavy equipment	4,440	5,490	7,580	21.4	70.7	38.1
Other <sup>1</sup>	255	755	1,460	4.1	472.5	93.4
<b>Total<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>22,500</b>	<b>28,100</b>	<b>35,380</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>57.2</b>	<b>25.9</b>

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## **Large urban transit**

July 2008 (preliminary)

Combined ridership on 10 large urban transit systems in Canada was 4.9% higher in July than it was for the same month in 2007.

Approximately 108.5 million passenger trips were taken on these transit systems in July. These systems account for about 80% of total urban transit in Canada.

The trips generated \$195.0 million in revenue in July (excluding subsidies), up 9.4% over July 2007.

**Available on CANSIM: table 408-0004.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2745.**

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## **Crude oil and natural gas production**

July 2008 (preliminary)

Provincial crude oil and marketable natural gas production data are now available for July.

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2198.**

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## **Refined petroleum products**

July 2008 (preliminary)

Data on the production, inventories and domestic sales of refined petroleum products are now available for July. Other selected data about these products are also available.

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2150.**

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## **Supply and disposition of refined petroleum products**

June 2008

Data on the supply, disposition and domestic sales of refined petroleum products are now available for June.

**Available on CANSIM: tables 134-0001 to 134-0004.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2150.**

The June 2008 issue of *The Supply and Disposition of Refined Petroleum Products in Canada*, Vol. 63, no. 6 (45-004-XWE, free) is now available from the Publications module of our website.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact the dissemination officer (613-951-9497; toll-free 1-866-873-8789; [energ@statcan.gc.ca](mailto:energ@statcan.gc.ca)), Manufacturing and Energy Division. ■

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