

CAF-FCA PUBLISHES A NEW "GOOD NEWS!"  
REPORT APPRENTICESHIP IS WORTH IT!

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**Ottawa, February 14, 2011** - The Canadian Apprenticeship Forum-Forum canadien sur l'apprentissage (CAF-FCA) commissioned a new project with the intent to analyze secondary statistical data on outcomes of apprentices and in comparison with individuals who did not complete an apprenticeship, graduates of other college programs and those who did not pursue any post-secondary training. **In all cases, Apprenticeship Completers fare better!**

The good news for apprentices and others considering apprenticeship training as a post-secondary option is – **It's Worth It!**

Data shows that individuals who pursue and complete apprenticeship training have:

- **Better employment outcomes, both immediately after completion and several years post-completion!**
- **Better earning potential – in the short and longer term!**
- **Higher levels of job satisfaction and job security!**

Who wouldn't want such success factors to be part of their career plans?!

Certified completers earn the highest annual wages, both among full-time and part-time workers. While certified completers earn a median wage of \$27 an hour, discontinuers show a median of \$20 an hour. According to statistics from the 2007 National Apprenticeship Survey, discontinuers are more likely to be unemployed and less likely to hold a permanent job than are completers.

Additionally, certified completers report a higher incidence of working in a field related to their training. With respect to job satisfaction and job security, this group outperforms all the others!

There is no question about it – data shows the outcomes for certified apprenticeship completers are positive. **Apprenticeship: It's Worth it! and It Works for Apprentices!**

For more information and to read the full report, visit  
[http://www.caf-fca.org/en/reports/pdf/apprenticeship\\_outcomes.pdf](http://www.caf-fca.org/en/reports/pdf/apprenticeship_outcomes.pdf)

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