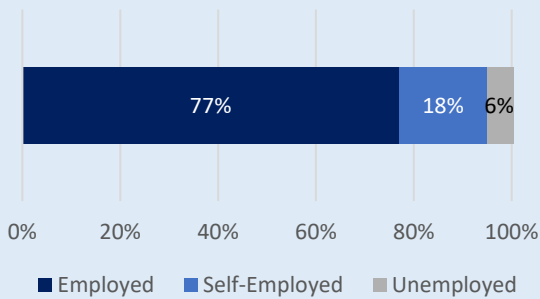


Plumber (306A)

Plumbers install, repair, and maintain pipes, fixtures and other plumbing equipment used for water distribution and wastewater disposal in residential, commercial, and industrial buildings. For additional information regarding this trade, see the trade's [scope of practice](#), as outlined in Ontario Regulation 875/21.

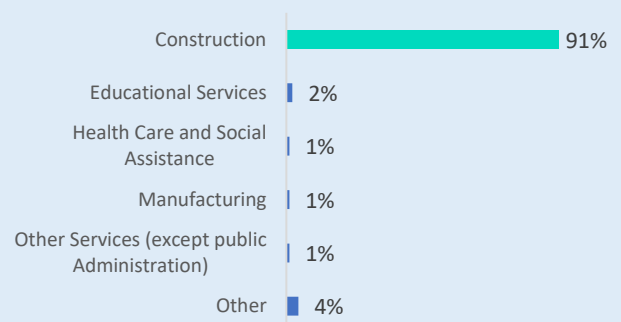
WORKFORCE PROFILE

Ontario's Plumber Workforce, 2022



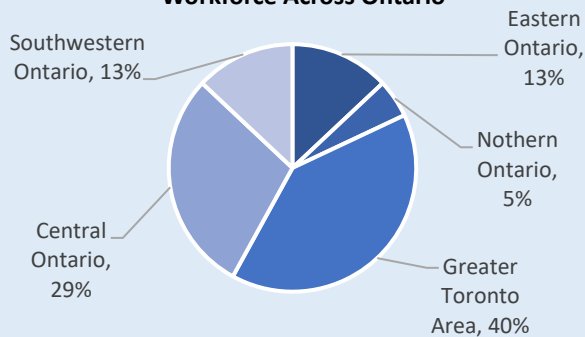
Source: Labour Force Survey – Based on 18,800 Respondents

Where Do Plumbers Work?



Source: 2021 Census

Workforce Across Ontario



Source: 2021 Census

Plumber (306A)
Number of Certificates of Qualification Issued, 2022

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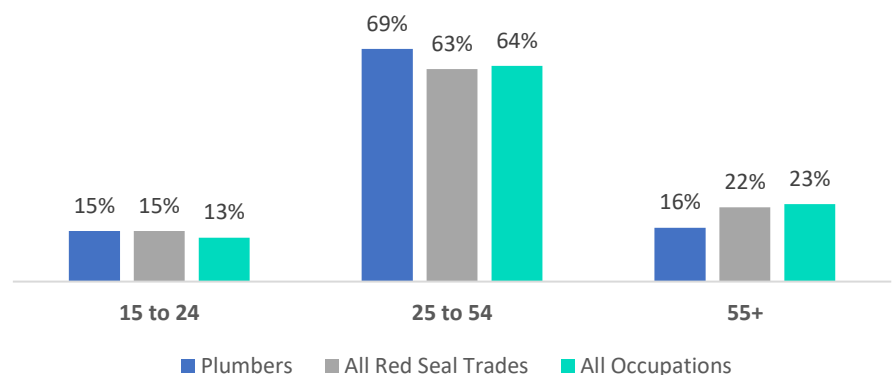
Source: STO Operations Database

AGE PROFILE

Plumbers have a higher share of core-aged workers (aged 25 to 54) than other Red Seal trades.






Approximately one-fifth (17%) of plumbers are nearing the age of retirement (age 55 or over).

Workforce by Age Group



Source: 2021 Census

WORKFORCE DEMOGRAPHICS

		Plumber	Change from 2016	All Red Seal Trades
Women+		1.0%	-0.7%	13.8%
Immigrants		15.7%	-2.4%	26.2%
Racial Minorities		12.1%	+2.5%	23.3%
Indigenous Peoples		3.2%	+0.5%	3.7%
People with Disabilities		10.4%	+1.7%	13.5%

Source: 2016 Census, 2021 Census

EDUCATION PATHWAY

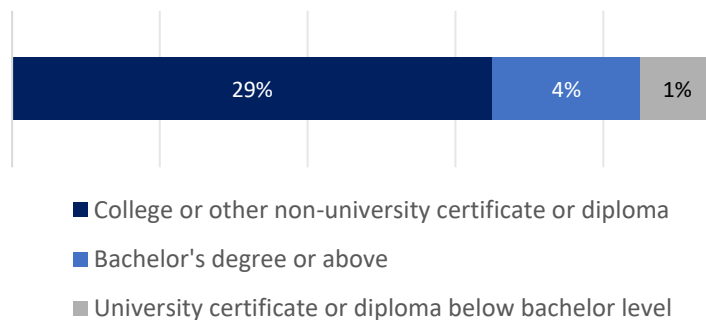
Plumber is a compulsory trade in Ontario, requiring a Certificate of Qualification, a Provisional Certificate of Qualification, or an active registered training agreement to practice within the province.

A grade 10 education is required to qualify for an apprenticeship.

The apprenticeship program is approximately five years, consisting of 8,280 hours of on-the-job work experience and 3 levels of in-school training.

Source: 2021 Census

Share of Workforce with Postsecondary Credential



In addition to holding a Certificate of Qualification, a third of Plumbers also hold a postsecondary credential.

INCOME

\$31.79 - \$50.00

Hourly Wage Range¹

Source: Workforce Planning Ontario. (2023). Labour Market Insights Report: Job Posting Data January to December 2022

\$62,000 - \$97,500

Annual Salary Range¹

Source: Workforce Planning Ontario. (2023). Labour Market Insights Report: Job Posting Data January to December 2022

¹ Hourly/annual figures can vary based on different factors including location, other certifications and work experience. In Ontario, employers, unions, and organizations may offer benefits such as: Health Insurance, Retirement Plans, Dental Insurance and Training Programs, among others.

Please refer to the FAQs for additional information and definitions.

The information in this report applies to trades/occupations with the National Occupational Code 72300: 306A Plumber.

