

## **OFF-RESERVE FIRST NATIONS PEOPLE ENTERING THE LABOUR FORCE:**

## FINDINGS FROM THE 2017 ABORIGINAL PEOPLES SURVEY

According to the 2017 Aboriginal Peoples Survey, an estimated 267,850 First Nations people aged 15 or older and living off reserve were employed

## Of those that were employed:

20%

were 15-24

65% were 25-54 15%

were 55 or older

47%

were men were women

In 2017, there were 177,740 First Nations people living off reserve who were not currently working or actively looking for work, that is, they were not in the labour force.

## Possible reasons people are not in the labour force



Going to school



**Taking care** of children



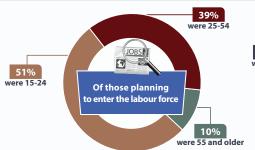
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53%

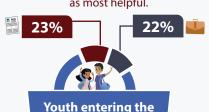
Illness or disability

When asked about plans to enter the labour force, 58,040 said they planned to look for work in the next 12 months.





Among youth entering the labour force aged 15 to 24, résumé writing skills (23%) and work experience (22%) were identified as most helpful.



labour force

Among women entering the labour force aged 25 to 54, 18% reported that child care assistance would help them find work.





When asked what would help them find work, the top ten most common responses were:



29% More education



25% Skills training



More jobs/work available



17% Work experience



16% Résumé writing skills



16%



Better health



14% Contacts or networking



13% Job finding clubs



12% Transportation



12% Child care assistance

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