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Water Well Driller

Water Well Driller Apprenticeship Education Program (AEP) Overview

- Consists of two periods of training.
- All periods consist of 1800 on-the-job instruction hours.
- All periods of classroom instruction training are offered at **Red Deer Polytechnic**
- The AEP was last updated in 2014. It is scheduled for a revision process beginning in 2028 for implementation in 2030.

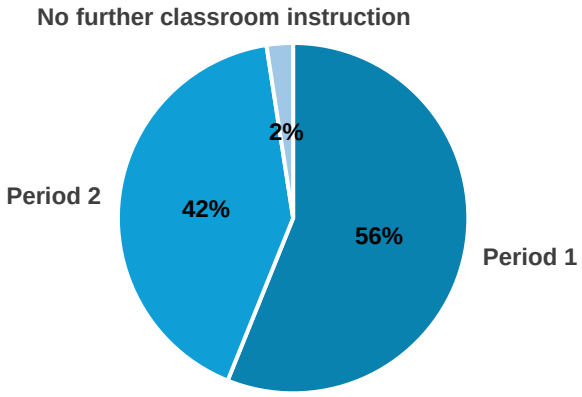
Helpful Tradesecrets Links for Apprentices

- **Water Well Driller trade profile:** a detailed overview of the trade, giving a clear picture of what the trade involves, how training works, and what certification requires.
- **Classroom instruction:** provides detailed information on training content, enrollment, attendance expectations, delivery methods, and the policies apprentices must follow.
- **Class Catalogue:** an online tool that lets apprentices look up all available apprenticeship training classes for their specific trade and training year.
- **Apprenticeship Awards and Scholarships:** information on financial support for apprentices and high-school students entering or progressing through the trades.

2025-26 Alberta Water Well Driller Statistics

Registered Apprentices by Period (as of November 6, 2026)

Percentage Breakdown



Number of Apprentices Per Period

Period 1	23
Period 2	17

Classification: Public

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Apprentices by Office

Trade	Calgary	Edmonton	Grande Prairie	Hinton	Lethbridge	Red Deer	Slave Lake	Vermillion	Trade Total
Water Well Driller	**11**	**10**	**2**	**2**	**2**	**10**	**1**	**3**	**41**

Apprenticeship and Industry Training (AIT) Exams Pass Rates

Provincial pass rates and exam averages between Nov 6, 2024, and November 6, 2026.

Exam	Pass	Fail	Supplemental	Total
Entrance Exam		1		1
Period 1	9	3	5	17
Period 1 Prior Learning Assessment		9		9
Period 2	10			10
Qualification Exam	4	2		6
Total trade	**19**	**4**	**5**	**43**

Directing the Future of Alberta Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship

Apprenticeship education and the direction of the skilled trades in Alberta is a partnership between apprentices, employers, industry, training providers and government. The Alberta Board of Skilled Trades and the My Skilled Trades Network are two groups with responsibilities for directing the future.

Alberta Board of Skilled Trades (ABST)

ABST is responsible for advising the Minister of Advanced Education on the direction of Alberta's designated trades certification system. To learn more about ABST and its members, visit ABST.

My Skilled Trades Network (MySTN)

MySTN is the AIT consultation network where experienced tradespeople can volunteer to provide feedback that helps shape apprenticeship education, exams, and training resources. It is hosted on the Tradesecrets website and is open to anyone with experience in an Alberta designated trade. To apply to join the network and learn more, visit MySTN.

We value your feedback!

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