



# Roofer

## Description of the trade

- Installs roof coverings that may be composed of asphalt-impregnated felt, hot bitumen, and gravel; elastomeric, liquid, and thermoplastic membranes; and different types of shingles
- Repairs and insulates roofs
- Prepares the roof decks
- Applies techniques of lifting, handling, chipping, waterproofing, attaching, spreading, and welding of membranes

## ACCESS TO CONSTRUCTION SITES

- Present to the CCQ proof of completion of DEP - Pose de revêtements de toiture and of a job guarantee from an employer registered with the CCQ, for at least 150 hours spread over three consecutive months. This leads to an apprentice competency certificate in the trade.
- Measures are in place to increase the presence of women on construction sites by 2018. Consult them at [mixite.ccq.org](http://mixite.ccq.org).

## APPRENTICESHIP SYSTEM

- Have completed two apprenticeship periods (4,000 hours total) in order to be eligible for the provincial qualification examination that leads to obtaining the journeyman competency certificate for the trade.

## SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Acquire knowledge related to application of concepts of mathematics, properties of products and materials, and in ventilation.
- Be well organized
- Be capable of working in a team and at heights
- Be able to move heavy objects
- Be in good physical condition and be able to adapt to extreme temperature changes
- Have good manual dexterity
- Have good movement coordination
- Have patience and perseverance in the execution of details
- Have good visual acuity

### Average annual salary\*

Apprentice**	\$16,697
Journeyman***	\$37,693
Journeyman working at least 500 hours	\$52,164
Proportion****	68%

\* Includes premiums, overtime hours, and compensation for paid statutory holidays and the obligatory annual vacations provided in the collective agreements.  
 \*\* Average salary of graduates admitted in 2014, for the 12 months following their admission.  
 \*\*\* Average salary in 2015 of those having reported at least one hour of work.  
 \*\*\*\* Proportion of journeymen in this trade having accumulated at least 500 hours in 2015. Does not include income that may have been made for work not falling under the construction collective agreements.

### Integration into the labour market

	Annual average 2012-2015	2016
New admissions to the CCQ	515	451
Placement rate of graduates*	10.3%	n/a

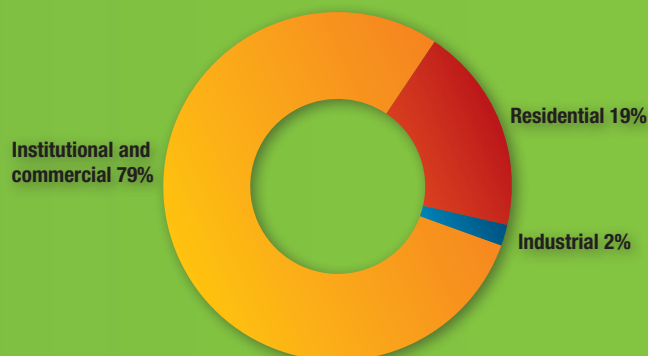
\* Source: *La Relance au secondaire en formation professionnelle*, survey by the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur du Québec. New graduates are asked about their employment situation on June 1, after they have obtained their diploma.

### Hourly wage\* according to the collective agreements

	Industrial, institutional and commercial	Civil engineering and roadwork	Light residential
Apprentice			
1 <sup>st</sup> period	\$26.80	\$26.89	\$24.96
2 <sup>nd</sup> period	\$32.54	\$32.65	\$30.30
Journeyman	\$38.28	\$38.41	\$35.65

\*Wage in May 2016.

### Volume of work per sector



## Job prospects



- In 2016, 5,468 Roofers were active in the construction industry, hired by 955 employers in 2016. It should be noted that this trade is highly seasonal because the work is done outdoors.
- The institutional and commercial sector provides much of the work in this trade. Although activity in commercial buildings should remain stable in coming years, a decline in activity is expected for the institutional segment. Thus, an overall decline in activity is expected in the institutional and commercial sector over the medium term.
- In 2016, 451 new apprentices entered construction sites, less than the annual average of 515 from 2012 to 2015. One fourth of new apprentices in 2016 had a diploma. In their first year of work, apprentices earn an average of \$16,600. A journeyman working at least 500 hours in construction covered by collective agreements takes home an average income of \$52,100 a year.
- Job prospects for the roofer trade are quite good and graduates easily find work. Turnover is high in the trade, creating a need for new workers.

## Training

### Study program:

Diploma of vocational studies (DEP) -  
Pose de revêtements de toiture  
(Old program: 5032; new program: 5351)

### Duration of training:

600 hours  
(Old program: 600 hours; new program: 630 hours)

### Academic prerequisite:

Category 2\*  
\* The academic prerequisites for all trades and occupations in this brochure are described on page 74.

### Training generally offered in the following regions:

- Capitale-Nationale
- Laval
- Montérégie



To find out which public facilities are authorized to offer this study program, consult the website [www.inforoutefpt.org](http://www.inforoutefpt.org)

### Number of employed workers in 2016

Abitibi-Témiscamingue	89
Bas-Saint-Laurent-Gaspésie	125
Côte-Nord	16
Estrie	260
Island of Montréal	507
Laval-Laurentides-Lanaudière	1,730
Mauricie-Bois-Francs	474
Montérégie	1,121
Outaouais	326
Québec	675
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean	132
Outside of Québec and Baie-James	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,468</b>

**Number of employed women** 33

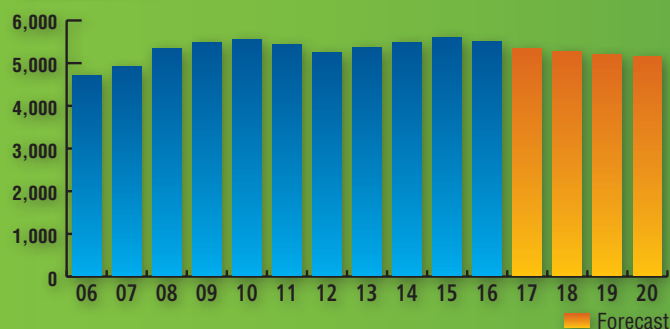
### Worker mobility

#### Proportion of workers who travel from one region to another:\*

Roofer	11%
All trades and occupations	17%

\* Excluding travel between the Montérégie, Island of Montréal, and Laval-Laurentides-Lanaudière regions.

### Number of employed workers from 2006 to 2020



### Age of the workforce in 2016

	Average age	Under 30 years	30-54 years	55 years and over	Total number of workers
Apprentice	31	58%	38%	3%	2,131
Journeyman	40	23%	64%	13%	3,337
<b>Total, roofers</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>5,468</b>
All trades and occupations	39	26%	58%	16%	153,700