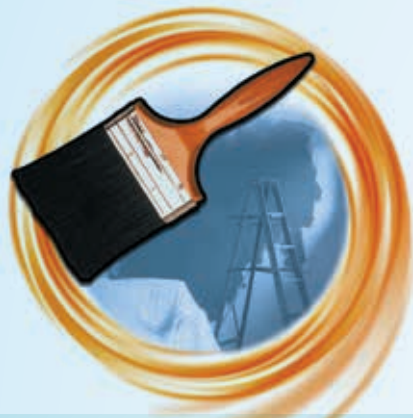


# Painter



## Description of the trade

- Prepares and conditions the surfaces of all structures, and covers them with one or several layers of film-forming compounds
- Covers wall surfaces with wallpaper or any similar material
- Does all other work involving installation of bracing, angle irons, and accessories, as well as filling wallboard joints

## ACCESS TO CONSTRUCTION SITES

- Present to the CCQ proof of completion of DEP - Commercial and Residential Painting 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 the three apprenticeship periods of 2,000 hours each (6,000 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 product chemistry, colour theory, design, and reading of plans
- Be careful and precise
- Work neatly
- Be able to distinguish colours
- Have good physical coordination
- Be able to work at heights

### Average annual salary\*

Apprentice**	\$16,763
Journeyman***	\$35,638
Journeyman working at least 500 hours	\$49,919
Proportion****	67%

\* 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	357	360
Placement rate of graduates*	15.0%	n/a

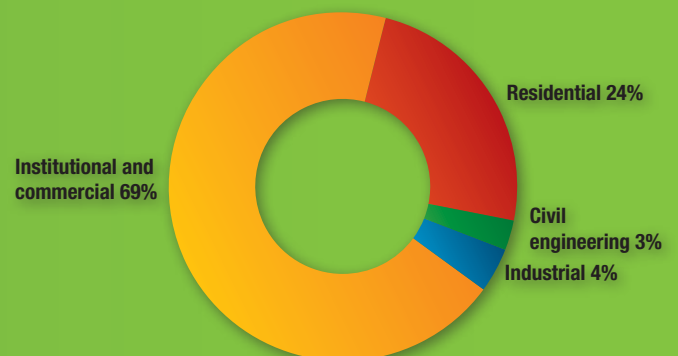
\* Source: *La Relance au secondaire en formation professionnelle*, survey by the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur du Québec. New graduates are asked about their employment situation on June 1, after they have obtained their diploma.

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

	Industrial, institutional and commercial	Civil engineering and roadwork	Light residential
Apprentice			
1 <sup>st</sup> period	\$21.23	\$21.49	\$19.14
2 <sup>nd</sup> period	\$24.77	\$25.07	\$22.33
3 <sup>rd</sup> period	\$30.07	\$30.45	\$27.12
Journeyman	\$35.38	\$35.82	\$31.90

\*Wage in May 2016.

### Volume of work per sector



## Job prospects



- In 2016, 5,587 painters were active on construction sites, and the number of women rose to 723, the largest for any trade, far ahead of carpenter-joiners. A high proportion of the 1,938 companies employing painters are small.
- Almost 70% of hours worked in this trade are in the institutional and commercial sector, with the remainder worked mostly in the residential sector. Both sectors are expected to slow in coming years. Note, however, that painting work in existing buildings offers additional work opportunities.
- In 2016, 360 new apprentice painters entered the labour market, close to the annual average for the past four years. In their first year, apprentices take home an average income of \$16,700. Journeymen working at least 500 hours average \$49,900 a year for work covered by construction industry collective agreements.
- Job prospects for this trade are quite good. Although employment is declining slightly and worker availability is high, the workforce in this trade is aging and high turnover is generating a need for new workers.

## Training

### Study program:

Diploma of vocational studies (DEP) -  
Peinture en bâtiment (5336) and  
Commercial and Residential Painting (5836)

**Duration of training:** 900 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
- Laurentides\*
- Montréal\*
- Nord-du-Québec\*
- Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean

\* Training also offered in English in this region.



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	106
Bas-Saint-Laurent-Gaspésie	176
Côte-Nord	57
Estrie	220
Island of Montréal	797
Laval-Laurentides-Lanaudière	1,380
Mauricie-Bois-Francs	306
Montréal	1,042
Outaouais	314
Québec	958
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean	219
Outside of Québec and Baie-James	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,587</b>

**Number of employed women** 723

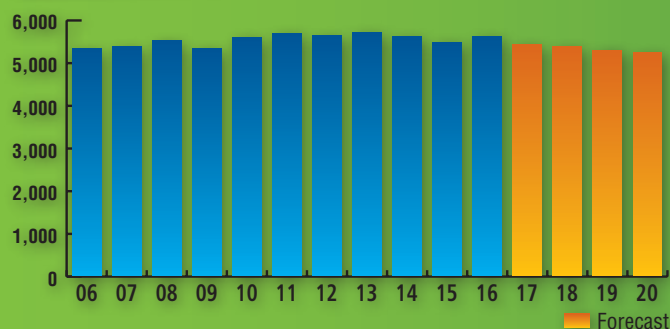
### Worker mobility

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

Painter	12%
All trades and occupations	17%

\* Excluding travel between the Montréal, 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	36	40%	50%	10%	2,303
Journeyman	48	7%	62%	31%	3,284
<b>Total, painters</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>5,587</b>
All trades and occupations	39	26%	58%	16%	153,700