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Transformation training plan in 2024



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- Over 1,500 apprentices starting phase 2 training during January and February
- 1096 apprentices have begun phase 4 training and 1,246 have begun phase 6
- Innovative cross border training delivery with two colleges in Northern Ireland
- Industry partnerships supporting additional places
- 150 additional instructors and support staff being recruited this year
- Additional investment of €20m in 2024

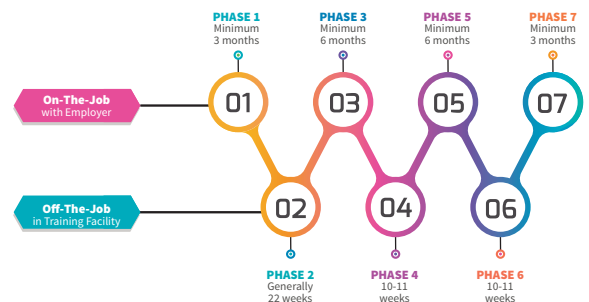
Like many other areas of our economy, apprenticeship continues to grow despite the aftermath of the pandemic and training delays for phase 2 craft apprentices. From January 2024, a transformation training plan is being delivered, coordinated by the National Apprenticeship Office in close partnership with SOLAS, HEA, and training providers across further and higher education.

The goal in 2024 is to continue to accelerate apprenticeship growth and eliminate training delays. In 2024 Government has allocated almost €300m to support growth and transformation in the apprenticeship system. This will enable 9,800 phase 2 training places to be provided in 2024, almost double the number provided in 2023.

The transformation training plan includes 600 phase 2 training places provided by technological universities and institutes of technology. Industry partners are also getting involved, and two colleges in Northern Ireland.

Pipefitting apprentices have been delayed longer than other apprentice groups. Delays for this group are being tackled by tripling the number of training places in 2024 and developing an accelerated training approach.

The success of the 2024 plan will be monitored month-on-month. Progress updates will be published on www.apprenticeship.ie and on the National Apprenticeship Office social media channels.



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