Business in Appalachia: What Level of Training is Needed to be Competitive?

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As workforce job expectations continue to change due to the advancement of technology and globalization, the skill levels of the workers should continue to expand to keep the United States competitive. The knowledge workers that are in such demand to find positions have a steady career progression. The 309 respondents to this survey provided information on the educational level of their workforces, how much training is provided regardless of formal education and how much training is provided when new technologies are implemented? Statistically significant differences emerged concerning the size of the business, the level of education and the nature of the business.

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