TOOL 4.3
GENDER EQUITY QUIZ

Would you be surprised to learn that Latina women earn an average of only 60 percent of men’s wages? Use this quiz in an orientation or information session to prompt awareness about the need for women to have access to jobs in traditionally higher-paid, male-dominated blue-collar careers. Or, use it to build the understanding and commitment of workforce development professionals to gender equity.

This tool is also part of the pre-apprenticeship Multi-Craft Core Curriculum of the Building and Construction Trades Department, AFL-CIO.

WHO SHOULD USE THIS TOOL
Training program directors; occupational training instructors, with their students; outreach and recruitment staff; program leaders introducing a gender lens to a new organizations
Circle the correct answer for each question.

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   a) 93%   b) 52%   c) 77%   d) 84%

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   a) 34%   b) 68%   c) 89%   d) 72%

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   a) 59%   b) 22%   c) 76%   d) 84%

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   a) 36%   b) 17%   c) 9%   d) 28%

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   a) 146   b) 20   c) 237   d) 300

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   a) 6.9%   b) 2.2%   c) 9.3%   d) 12.4%

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   a) 14%   b) 8%   c) 2%   d) 24%

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   a) $645,342   b) $97,942   c) $362,489   d) $1,648,770

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