THE FUTURE’S ROSIE

Initiatives and pathway for tradeswomen in the United States of America an Australian perspective

By Fiona Shewring

Facts and figures

- American female tradespeople figures 2008
  - 1% electricians
    - 9000 women
  - 0.4% Brickmasons
    - 1000 women
- Australian female tradespeople figures 2006
  - 1.2 % electricians 1061 women
  - 1% female bricklayers 223 women

Role of the Unions

Training & support

Women Building California 2009, Los Angeles, California

Oregon Tradeswomen Trade Fair 2009, Portland, Oregon
**NAWIC SUCCESS SERIES**

**Tradeswomen survey**

- **Age bracket of surveyed Tradeswomen**
  - [Graph showing age distribution]
- **Age bracket women began trade training**
  - [Graph showing age range and numbers]
- **Age range tool knowledge gained**
  - [Graph showing tool knowledge distribution]
- **Physical activities**
  - [Chart showing physical activities and numbers]
- **People or events of influence**
  - [Diagram showing influence distribution]
- **Support factors during training**
  - [Pie chart showing support factors]
- **Personal attributes**
  - [Pie chart showing personal attributes]

**Recommendations**

- Very early introduction to tools
- Utilizing family support from early age, particularly fathers
- Provide training and change attitudes in trade training
- Providing support in workforce