



## Press Release

# National Apprenticeship Week: Evaluating Apprenticeships' Successes and Key Challenges

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Apprenticeships have played a crucial role in the development of the United States labor force and continue to provide Americans with opportunities to gain valuable skills. To mark National Apprenticeship Week, AAF's Director of Labor Market Policy Isabel Soto and Isabella Hindley have written a series of articles about apprenticeship programs' purpose, successes, and current and future challenges.

For today's analysis, Soto and Hindley assess the opportunities and key challenges for the Industry-Recognized Apprenticeship Program (IRAP).

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