Nearly 200,000 service members transition to further education or careers every year. While in the military, servicemembers gain valuable training and experience in specialties that should translate to civilian jobs. But that’s not the case for all veterans. Sixty-three percent of veterans choose to pursue education and training unrelated to their job in the military. Investing in skills training will help veterans get trained for jobs in the growing industries that are critical to America’s economic success in the 21st century.

**We aren’t doing enough to help veterans readjust to civilian life**

- 69% of veterans say the federal government isn’t doing enough to help veterans readjust to civilian life.
- 58% did not feel well prepared to enter the civilian job market after their service.
- 44% struggled to find a good-paying job they were trained for after leaving the military.
- 95% agree that job and vocational training programs would significantly help veterans transition back to civilian life and help them get good-paying jobs.

**Veterans support skills training**

- 95% of veterans support increasing investments in skills and technical training.
- 81% support providing skills and technical training to anyone who wants it.
- 86% support investing in skills training programs at the same level that we invest in college.

Poll results are from an October 2019 online survey conducted by ALG Research on behalf of National Skills Coalition of 700 veterans to gauge their perceptions, priorities, and expectations of skills training, as well as other national economic policy issues.