Record Nr. UNINA9910149200503321 Autore Davies James B. <1951-> Titolo Information in the labour market: job-worker matching and its implications for education in Ontario // James B. Davies and Glenn M. MacDonald Toronto, [Ontario];; Buffalo, [New York]:,: University of Toronto Pubbl/distr/stampa Press, , 1984 ©1984 **ISBN** 1-4426-3805-2 1-4426-5352-3 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (200 pages): illustrations Collana Ontario Economic Council Research Studies;; 29 Disciplina 379.1540971 Soggetti Education and state - Canada Business and education - Canada Manpower policy - Canada Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- Contents -- Acknowledgments -- 1. Introduction -- 2. Earlier models of education: human capital and signalling -- 3. The informational model of schooling and job-worker matching -- 4. Education and training policy: basic guidelines -- 5. Education and training in Canada: recent trends and the current situation -- 6. Education and training in Canada: current issues -- 7. Policy conclusions -- Appendix -- Bibliography This study uses a simple model of information gathering to generate Sommario/riassunto policy recommendations concerning education in Ontario, especially at the post-secondary level. The schools are viewed as helping students discover jobs matched to their abilities, and policy prescriptions are offered from that standpoint. After examining earlier economic models of education - seeing it in terms of human capital and signalling - the authors analyse their informational model. In the light of the three

theories of education, they then proceed to examine the appropriate role of government in the education market, and offer their policy

recommendations. In addition, trends in the structure of education over the last two decades are studied and explained from the economic point of view. They argue that too much has been spent on formal education and not enough on on-the-job-training, but the answer is not more government intervention or vocationalism. Education policy should encourage free choice and an increasing ability to match interests or skills with jobs. Vocationalism merely hinders the latter and endangers economic well-being in the long term.