IF YES, ASK:

9b And what have you heard? (Open-ended)

Programs to retrain people46
Retraining funded by U.I.C7
Programs for unemployed7
Limited funding/cutbacks6
Putting more money into job creation and training5
Refocus on education4
Other
Don't know/not stated10

ASK EVERYONE:

10a. If you personally became unemployed, how easy do you think it would be to gain access to federal government adjustment programs that would ease your transition back to work...very easy, somewhat easy, not very easy, not easy at all?

Very easy4	-	SKIP TO 11
Somewhat easy19	-	
Not very easy30	-	CONTINUE
Not easy at all39	-	
(DK/NS)8		SKIP TO 11

IF "NOT VERY EASY" OR "NOT EASY AT ALL" ASK:

10b. Why do you say that it would not be easy? (Open-ended)

Too much unemployment16
Age - too old
No jobs available
Ineffective12
Bureaucracy/programs hard to get into12
Retraining is costly
Other
Don't know/not stated4

ASK EVERYONE:

11. And how easy do you think it would be to gain access to provincial government adjustment programs that would ease your transition back to work...very easy, somewhat easy, not very easy, not easy at all?

Very easy		
Somewhat	easy26	
Not very	easy	
Not easy	at all	
(DK/NS)		

12. Some people say that if Canadians had stronger job skills along with access to world markets, We would prosper and the problem of unemployment would decline on its own.

Other people say that we will always have high unemployment in Canada because of the weaknesses in some of our regional economies. Which statement is closest to your own point of view?

Stronger job skills......48 Always have unemployment.....48 (DK/NS).....4