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# EMPLOYMENT TRENDS REPORT

February JOB GAINS



## 235K

TOTAL JOBS  
ADDED

### Total NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT GAINS

DEC

## 155K

NUMBERS HAVE BEEN REVISED

JAN

## 238K

NUMBERS HAVE BEEN REVISED

FEB

## 235K

### Average MONTHLY GAINS



209K/MONTH OVER  
THE PAST 3 MONTHS

196K/MONTH OVER  
THE PAST 12 MONTHS

### Total NONFARM PAYROLL JOB GAINS

CONSTRUCTION

59K

PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL  
SERVICES

29K

MANUFACTURING

28K

## CONSTRUCTION

SAW THE LARGEST EMPLOYMENT GAINS

### Average WORK WEEK



## 34.4

NONFARM PAYROLL  
HOURS



## 3.2

FACTORY OVERTIME  
HOURS



## 40.8

MANUFACTURING  
HOURS



## 33.6

PRODUCTION &  
NONSUPERVISORY  
HOURS

### Average HOURLY PAY

### Unemployment RATE



## \$26.09

NONFARM PAYROLL



## 2.8%

AVG. HOURLY  
EARNINGS INCREASED  
2.5% OVER THE YEAR



## \$21.86

PRIVATE-SECTOR  
PRODUCTION &  
NONSUPERVISORY



## UNEMPLOYMENT RATE LITTLE CHANGED AT

## 4.7%

### American STAFFING ASSOCIATION

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Staffing companies are reporting increases in demand across several sectors but, for many firms, growth remains constrained by the supply of qualified talent. With the number of underemployed and discouraged workers remaining slightly above prerecession levels, the reskilling of the workforce must continue to be a top public and private sector priority.

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**RICHARD WAHLQUIST**  
PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF  
THE AMERICAN STAFFING ASSOCIATION

### U.S. STAFFING INDUSTRY

## 0.1%

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

STAFFING EMPLOYMENT UP  
.1% FROM JANUARY AND UP  
3.2% FROM FEBRUARY 2016

## 1.6%

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

YEAR-TO-YEAR STAFFING  
JOB GROWTH AVERAGED  
1.6% PER MONTH OVER  
THE PAST 12 MONTHS

### Sources

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