

June 2017

# EMPLOYMENT TRENDS REPORT

May JOB GAINS



138K  
TOTAL JOBS  
ADDED

Total NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT GAINS

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50K

NUMBERS HAVE BEEN REVISED

APR

174K

NUMBERS HAVE BEEN REVISED

MAY

138K

Average MONTHLY GAINS



121K/MONTH OVER  
THE PAST 3 MONTHS



181K/MONTH OVER  
THE PAST 12 MONTHS

Total NONFARM PAYROLL JOB GAINS

PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS SERVICES

38K

FOOD SERVICES AND DRINKING PLACES

30K

HEALTH CARE

24K

PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS SERVICES  
SAW THE LARGEST EMPLOYMENT GAINS

Average WORK WEEK



34.4

NONFARM PAYROLL  
HOURS



3.3

FACTORY OVERTIME  
HOURS



40.7

MANUFACTURING  
HOURS

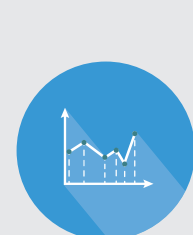


33.6

PRODUCTION &  
NONSUPERVISORY  
HOURS

Average HOURLY PAY

Unemployment RATE



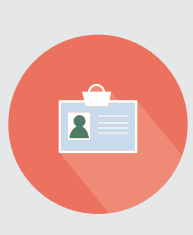
\$26.22

NONFARM PAYROLL



2.5%

AVG. HOURLY  
EARNINGS INCREASED  
2.5% OVER THE YEAR



\$22.00

PRIVATE-SECTOR  
PRODUCTION &  
NONSUPERVISORY



UNEMPLOYMENT  
DECREASED TO

4.3%

American STAFFING ASSOCIATION

“

With the total labor force declining by 429,000 people in May, staffing firms report that recruiting qualified candidates is a growing challenge across several sectors. This means that as we head into the summer, job seekers should find they have more flexible and permanent employment options.

”

RICHARD WAHLQUIST

PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF  
THE AMERICAN STAFFING ASSOCIATION

U.S. STAFFING INDUSTRY

2.5%

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

STAFFING EMPLOYMENT UP  
2.5% FROM APRIL AND  
UP 4.8% FROM MAY 2016

1.4%

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

YEAR-TO-YEAR STAFFING  
JOB GROWTH AVERAGED  
1.4% PER MONTH OVER  
THE PAST 12 MONTHS

Sources

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