### Dec 2017 Employment Trends Report

#### 228K Total Jobs Added

#### TOTAL NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT GAINS

- **Sep**: 38K
- **Oct**: 244K **(Numbers have been revised)**
- **Nov**: 228K

#### Monthly Gains

- **170K/month over the past 3 months**
- **167K/month over the past 12 months**

#### Leading Employment Gains

- **Manufacuring**
  - **Average Work Week**:
    - **Normal Payroll Hours**: 34.5
    - **Factory Overtime Hours**: 3.5
    - **Manufacturing Hours**: 40.9
    - **Production & Non-supervisory Hours**: 33.7
  - **Average Hourly Pay**: $26.55
  - **2.5% Increase Year-Over-Year**
    - **Average Weekly Earnings Increased 2.5% over the Year**
  - **Average Payroll Increase**: $22.24
    - **2.5% Increase Year-Over-Year**

#### Unemployment

- **Staffing Industry**
  - **3.9%**
    - **Year-End 2016 Staffing Industry Benchmark**: 3.9%

#### Business Confidence

- **4.1%**
  - **Year-End 2016 Staffing Industry Benchmark**: 4.1%

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**Sources**

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