Jan 2018 EMPLOYMENT TRENDS REPORT

148K TOTAL JOBS ADDED

NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT GAINS

OCT 211K

NOV 252K

DEC 148K

NUMBERS HAVE BEEN REVISED

252K

204K/MONTH OVER THE LAST 3 MONTHS

172K/MONTH OVER THE LAST 12 MONTHS

HEALTH CARE SAW THE LARGEST EMPLOYMENT GAINS

Average WORK WEEK

34.5 NONFARM PAYROLL HOURS

3.5 FACTORY OVERTIME HOURS

40.8 MANUFACTURING HOURS

33.8 PRODUCTION & NONSUPERVISORY HOURS

Average HOURLY PAY

$26.43 NONFARM PAYROLL

2.5% AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS INCREASED 2.5% OVER THE YEAR

$22.30 PRODUCTION & NONSUPERVISORY

4.1% UNEMPLOYMENT STAYED THE SAME AT 4.1% YEAR-TO-YEAR STAFFING JOB GROWTH AVERAGED 4.1% PER MONTH OVER THE PAST 12 MONTHS.

The demand for temporary and contract staffing employees remained healthy across most sectors throughout 2017. Job seekers should be very encouraged about opportunities in the year ahead as the labor market continues to tighten in an expanding economy.

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