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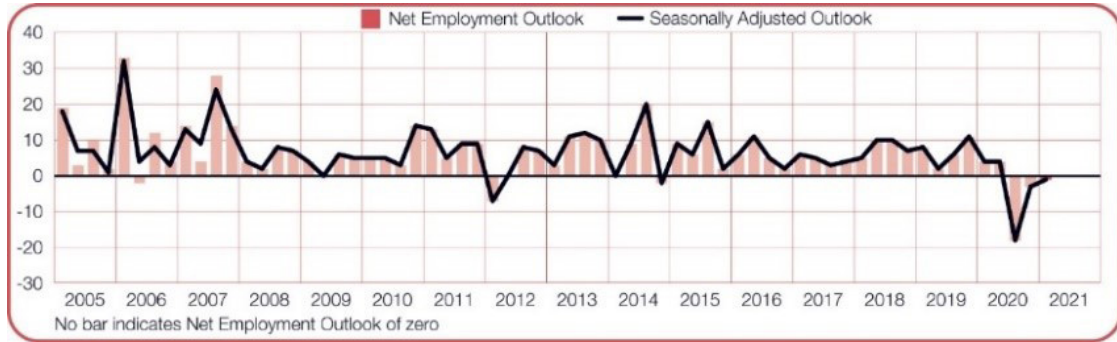


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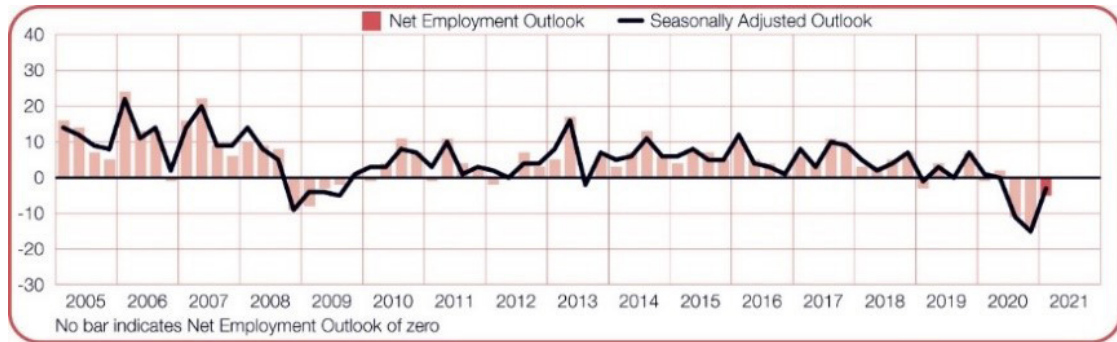
Boost for Public Sector Hiring Plans in South

Jobseekers in the South-East can expect a muted hiring pace in the upcoming quarter, according to employers who report a Net Employment Outlook of -3%. In the South-West, a subdued labour market is anticipated in Q1 2021, with employers reporting a Net Employment Outlook of -1%.

South West



South East



Q1 2021

MARKET OVERVIEW

In the South, preparations towards the Brexit deadline have boosted the number of open vacancies across the public sector. Positions such as Administrative Officers and other office-based support roles have been particularly common to help lighten the administrative load in the lead up to EU Exit. Finance and Accountancy specialists are also top of the list across the South as confidence returns to the Finance and Business Services sector.

As with the rest of the UK, Driving & Logistics continues to be an area where more support staff are required with huge requests coming in from across the region. Finding the volumes of candidates to support demand has been a challenge for many employers, as well as accessing reliable candidates for new roles. In many ways, fulfilling these roles has been as challenging as before the pandemic began simply because of the volume of drivers now required.

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The ManpowerGroup Employment Outlook Survey is a forward-looking measure, forecasting hiring intentions for Quarter 1 2021.