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REGIONAL FACTSHEET

SOUTH EAST

Hiring Outlook in South East Increases to +27%

MARKET OVERVIEW

Employers in the South East anticipate a strong labour market during the July – September period, reporting a Net Employment Outlook of +27%. Hiring increased eight percentage-points since last quarter and declined 11 percentage-points year-on-year. Hiring in the South East is two percentage-points below the national average, and the region with the joint-sixth highest Net Employment Outlook.

The latest official labour market estimates put the employment rate in South East at 78.6%, down 0.2% on the previous quarter. This is the highest employment rate of any region, alongside the South West. The unemployment rate is 3.7%, down 0.2% on the previous quarter. Economic inactivity is 18.3%, an increase of 0.3% on last quarter.

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The ManpowerGroup Employment Outlook Survey is a forward-looking measure, forecasting hiring intentions for Quarter 3 2023.