

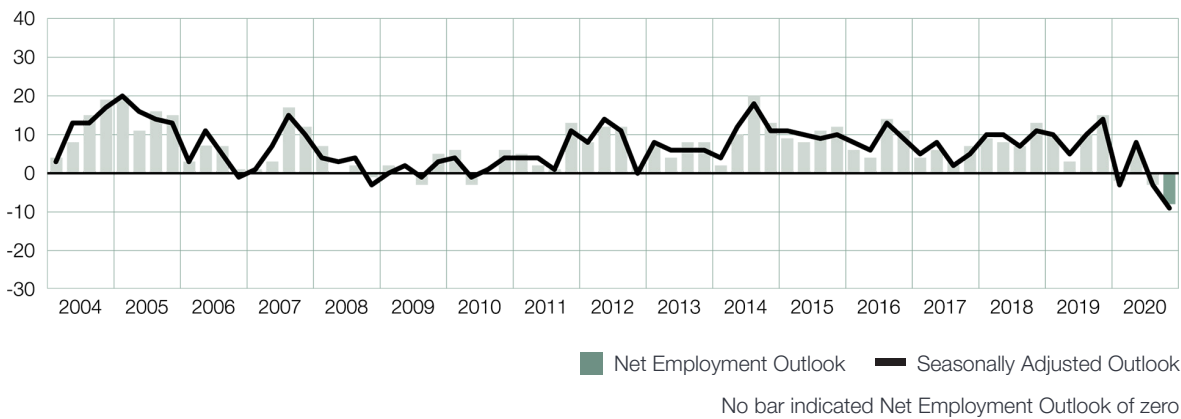


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# Hiring Plans Dipping in East Midlands

With a Net Employment Outlook of -9%, employers anticipate the weakest labour market in 26 years during the October to December period. The Outlook decreases by six percentage points quarter-over-quarter and is 23 percentage points weaker when compared with the same period in 2019.



## MARKET OVERVIEW

Employers in the East Midlands are the least confident of a return to pre-outbreak hiring levels within a year, with only 34% expecting pre-COVID-19 hiring levels to return within a 12 month timeframe. While this is the lowest confidence for any UK region, 30% do anticipate these levels to resume within just three months, indicating confidence of a swift return amongst some employers.

More upskilling and development opportunities will be offered to staff by the majority of employers in region, with 55% intending to provide more training as a result of the pandemic. Elsewhere, 35% of employers will provide more health and wellbeing offerings, 37% will offer the opportunity to work remotely some of the time, and 18% will offer the opportunity to work remotely all of the time.

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