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Today's jobs data: what you need to know

Non-farm payrolls	Change May: +172	Revision Apr: +64	Revision Mar: +29	
Private payrolls	Change May: +120			
Employment	Change May: +149			
Unemployment	Change May: -66			
Long-term unemployment	Change May: +113			
Civilian labor force	Change May: +83	1.46 million above trend	More than all entrants employed	
Unemployment rate	May: 4.30%	Change May: -0.04%		
Underemployment rate	May: 8.1%	Change May: -0.1%		
Participation rate	May: 61.8%	Change May: unch		
UE adjusted for participation	May: 10.4%	Change May: -0.04%		
Average weeks unemployed	May: 26	Change May: +1.6		
% longterm unemployed	May: 27.5%	Change May: +2.2%		
Aggregate hours worked index	May: 116.8	Change May: +0.1%	Revision Apr: +0	
Average hourly earnings	May: +0.32%	Change May: +0.16%	Revision Apr: unch	
Aggregate weekly earnings	May: +0.38%	Change May: +0.4%	Revision Apr: unch	
Monthly job-finding probability	May: 30.9%	Change May: unch		
Monthly separation probability	May: 1.6%	Change May: unch		
% involuntary part-time	May: 3.0%	Change May: unch		
"Household" vs "Payroll" jobs	May: +59			

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, TrendMacro calculations

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Missing October 2025 data from the Current Population Survey ("Household Survey") is interpolated between September and November.

Today's jobs data: a deeper dive

Non-farm payrolls SA	Change May: +172	Revision Apr: +64	
Non-farm payrolls NSA	Change May: +741	Revision Apr: +49	
Birth-death adjustment	Adj for May: +158		
Employment	Change May: +149		
Unemployment rate	May: 4.30%	Change May: -0.04%	
White employment	Change May: +62		
White unemployment rate	May: 3.8%	Change May: 0.1%	
Black employment	Change May: +101		
Black unemployment rate	May: 6.6%	Change May: -0.7%	
Hispanic employment	Change May: +64		
Hispanic unemployment rate	May: 5.0%	Change May: 0.0%	
Asian employment	Change May: -168		
Asian unemployment rate	May: 3.8%	Change May: 0.5%	
High school only employment	Change May: +42		
HS only unemployment rate	May: 4.2%	Change May: -0.2%	
Men employment	Change May: +165		
Men unemployment rate	May: 4.4%	Change May: 0.0%	
Women employment	Change May: -16		
Women unemployment rate	May: 4.1%	Change May: -0.1%	

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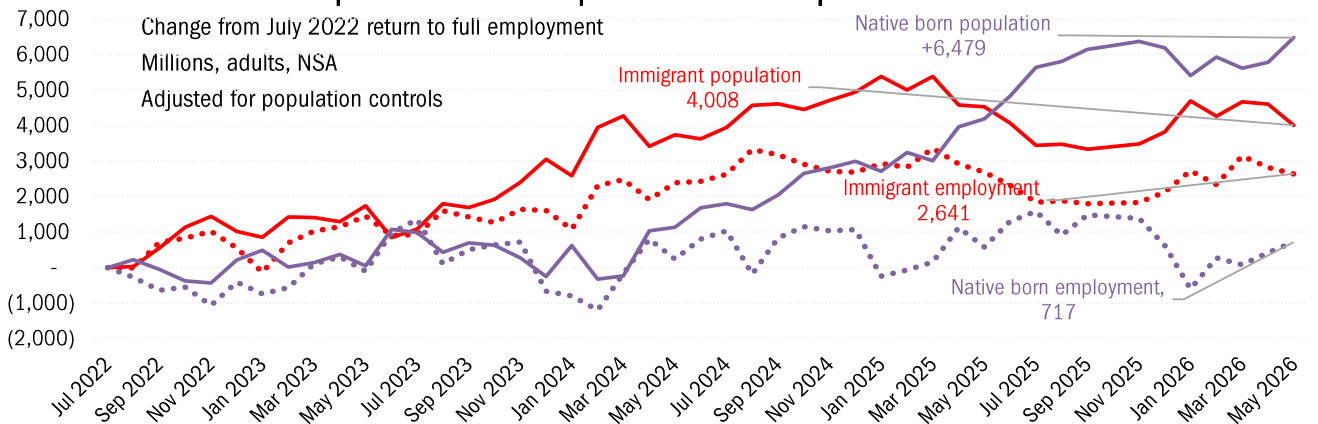
TrendMacro Payroll Model based on contemporaneous labor market statistics

ADP Payrolls	ISM Manu Employ Index	ISM Services Employ Index	Change continuing claims	Initial claims	Challenger Layoffs	NFIB Hiring Plans	NFIB Employ
+122	48.6	47.9	-29	190	97	9	-2
Model estimate	Actual	Beat(+) miss (-)					
+157	+172	+15					

Source: ADP, ISM, DOL, Challenger, NFIB, BLS, TrendMacro calculations

Today's jobs data: labor economics of immigration (not seasonally adjusted)

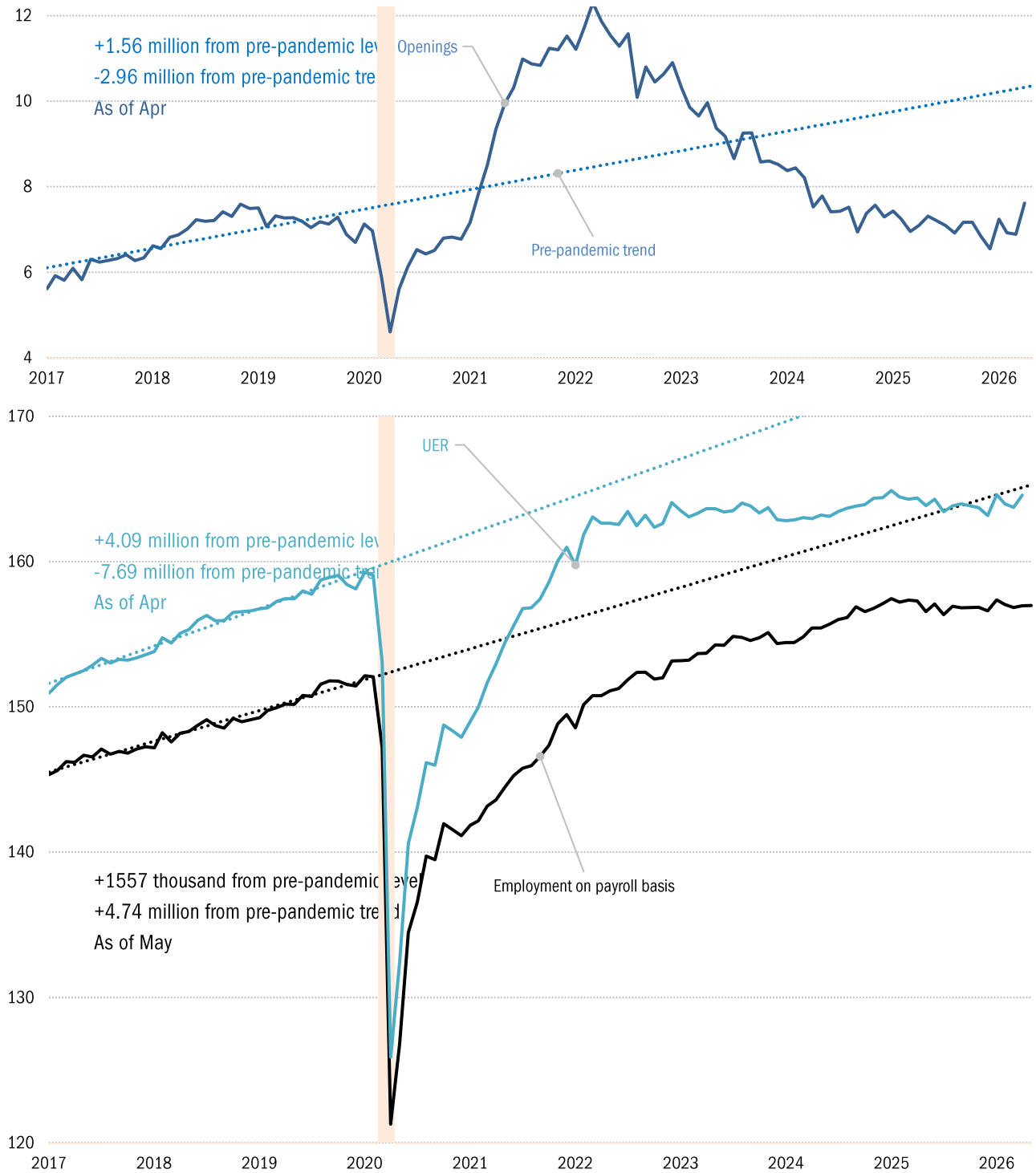
Employment NSA	Change May:	+116		
Unemployment rate NSA	May:	4.1%	Change May:	0.10%
Adult population SA	Change May:	+99		
Foreign-born employment	Change May:	-176		
Foreign-born UE rate	May:	3.5%	Change May:	-0.2%
Foreign-born population	Change May:	-599		
Foreign-born emp men	Change May:	-232		
Foreign-born UE rate men	May:	3.1%	Change May:	-0.4%
Foreign-born pop men	Change May:	-534		
Foreign-born emp women	Change May:	+55		
Foreign-born UE rate women	May:	4.0%	Change May:	0.2%
Foreign-born pop women	Change May:	-64		
Native-born employment	Change May:	+294		
Native-born UE rate	May:	4.2%	Change May:	0.1%
Native-born population	Change May:	+698		
Native-born emp men	Change May:	+496		
Native-born UE rate men	May:	4.5%	Change May:	0.1%
Native-born pop men	Change May:	+578		
Native-born emp women	Change May:	-202		
Native-born UE rate women	May:	3.8%	Change May:	0.1%
Native-born pop women	Change May:	+120		



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, TrendMacro calculations

Is the labor market tight or slack?

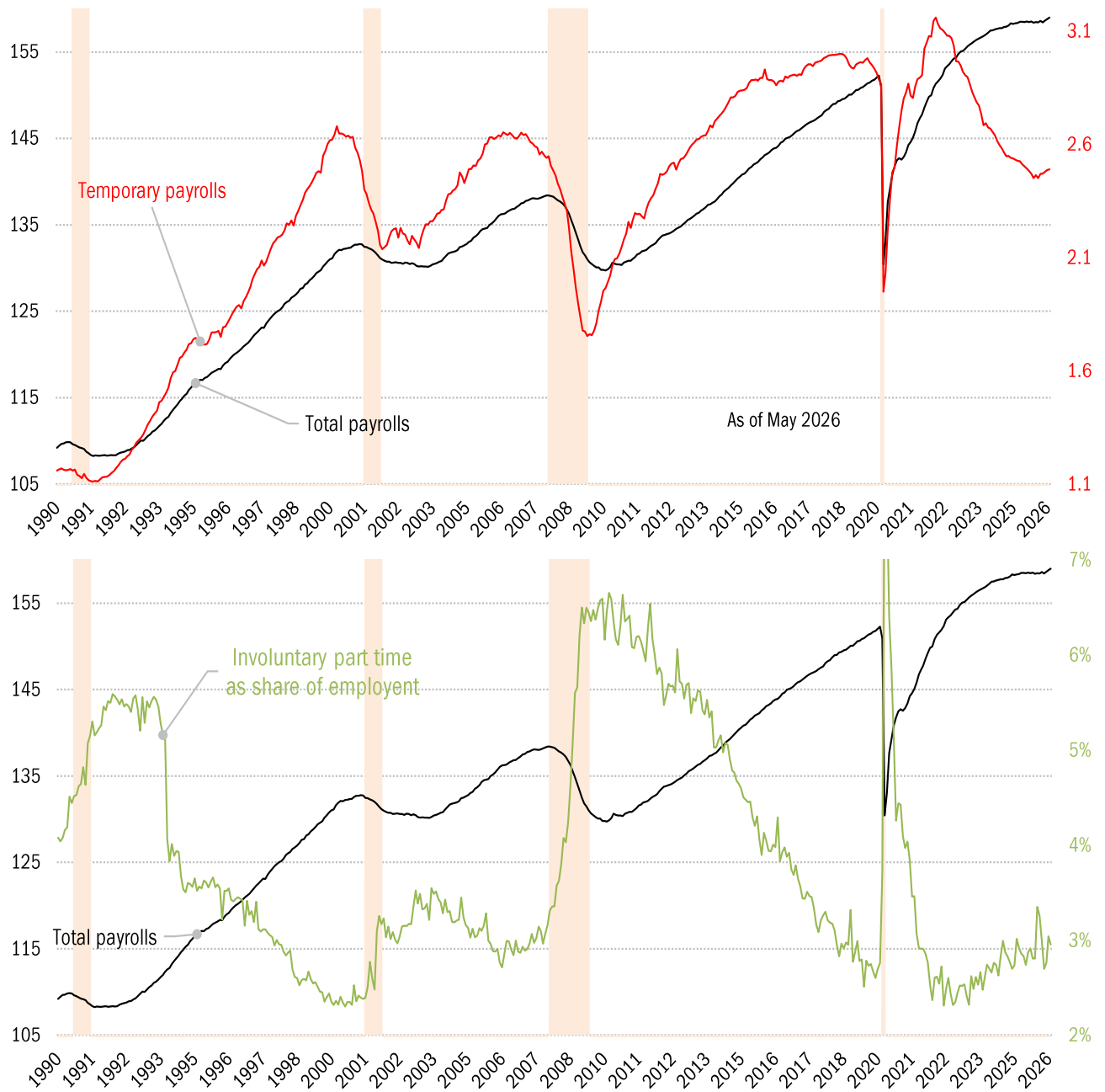
Job openings and employment (on payroll basis, millions) versus pre-pandemic trends ■ Recession



Source: BLS JOLTS, Current Population Survey, TrendMacro calculations

Is the temporary jobs market warning us?

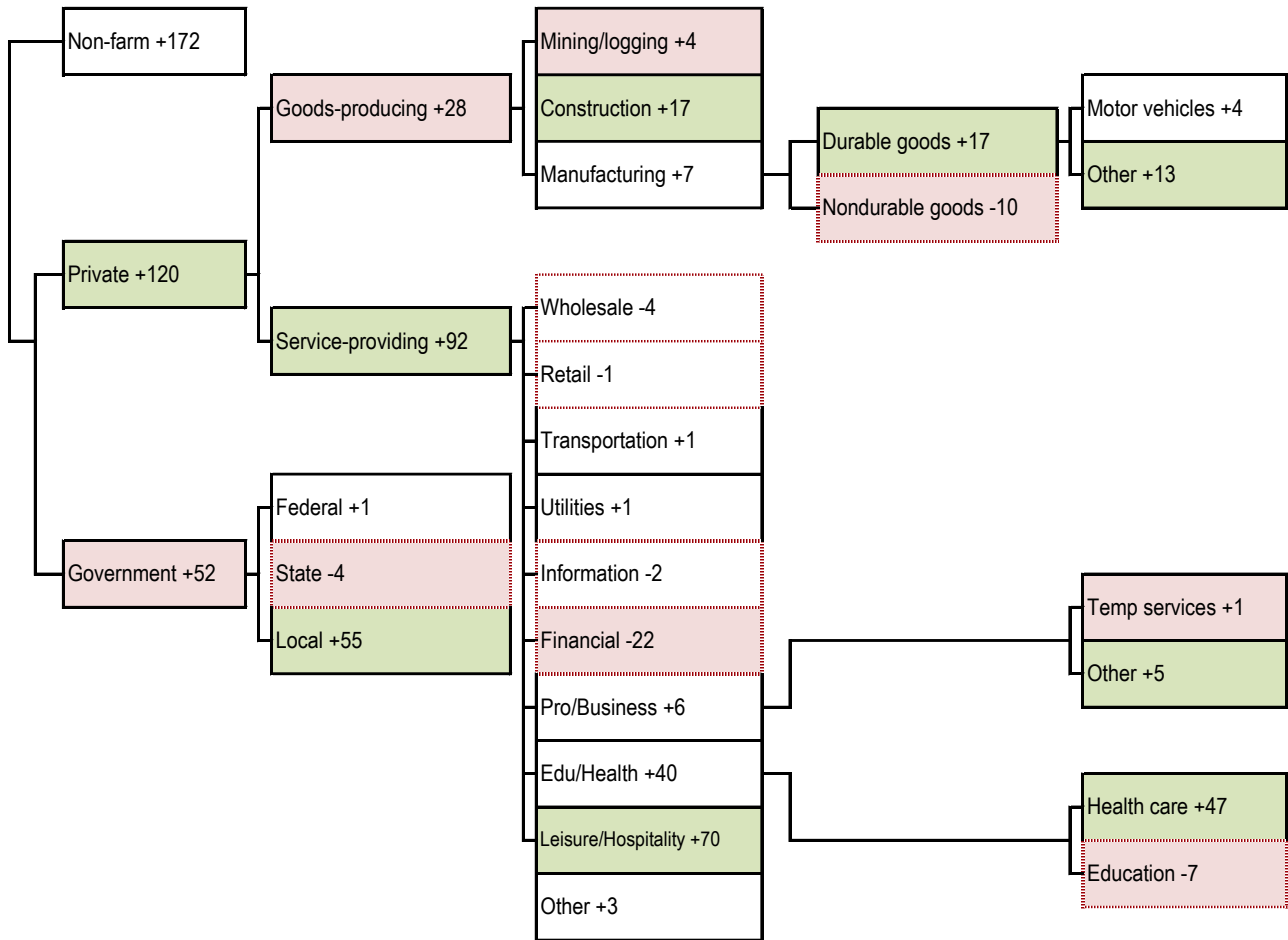
Regular and temporary payrolls (millions) and part-timers (share) ■ Recession



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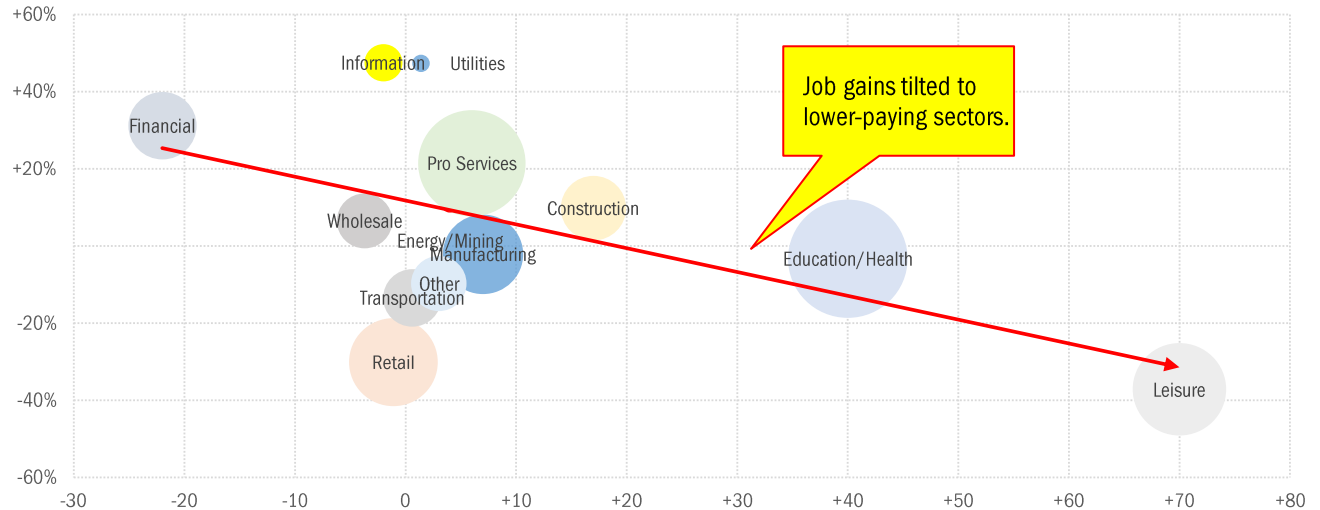
Today's payroll data: what you need to know -- where did the jobs come from?

Sequential month change, thousands SA --- Net job losses Biggest change per detail module: ■ best ■ worst



Where is the pay coming from?

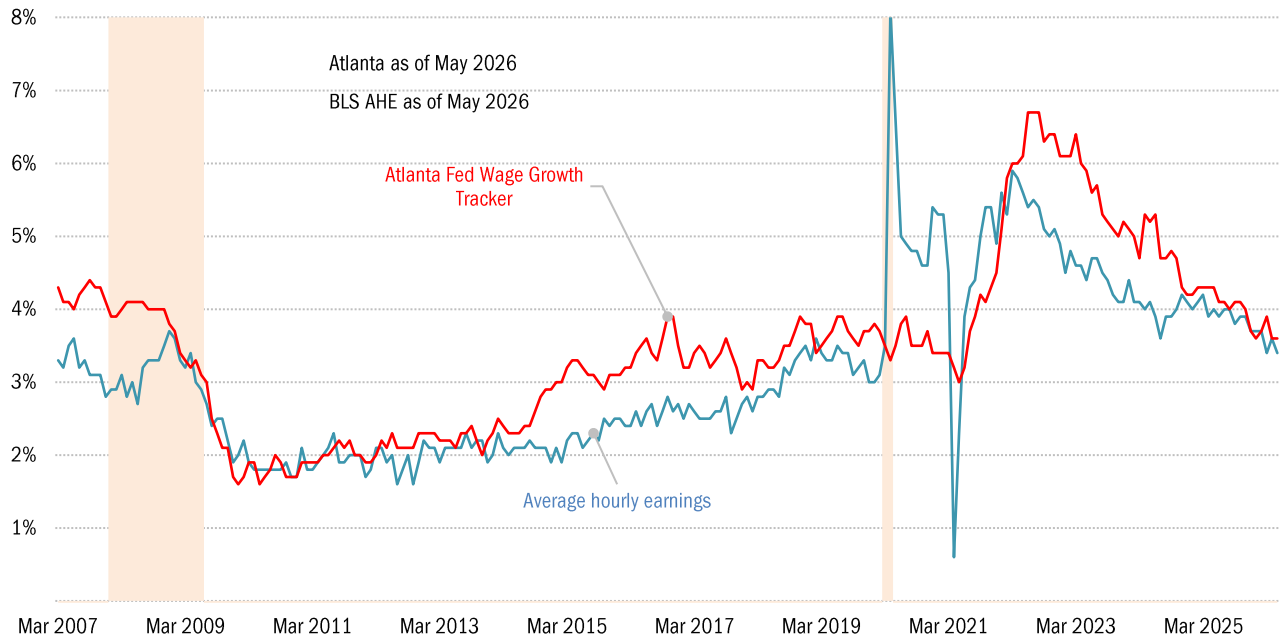
Vertical: Hourly wages vs average Horizontal: Payrolls change this month Circle size: Share of all employment



Source: BLS, TrendMacro calculations

Solving the wage-growth puzzle

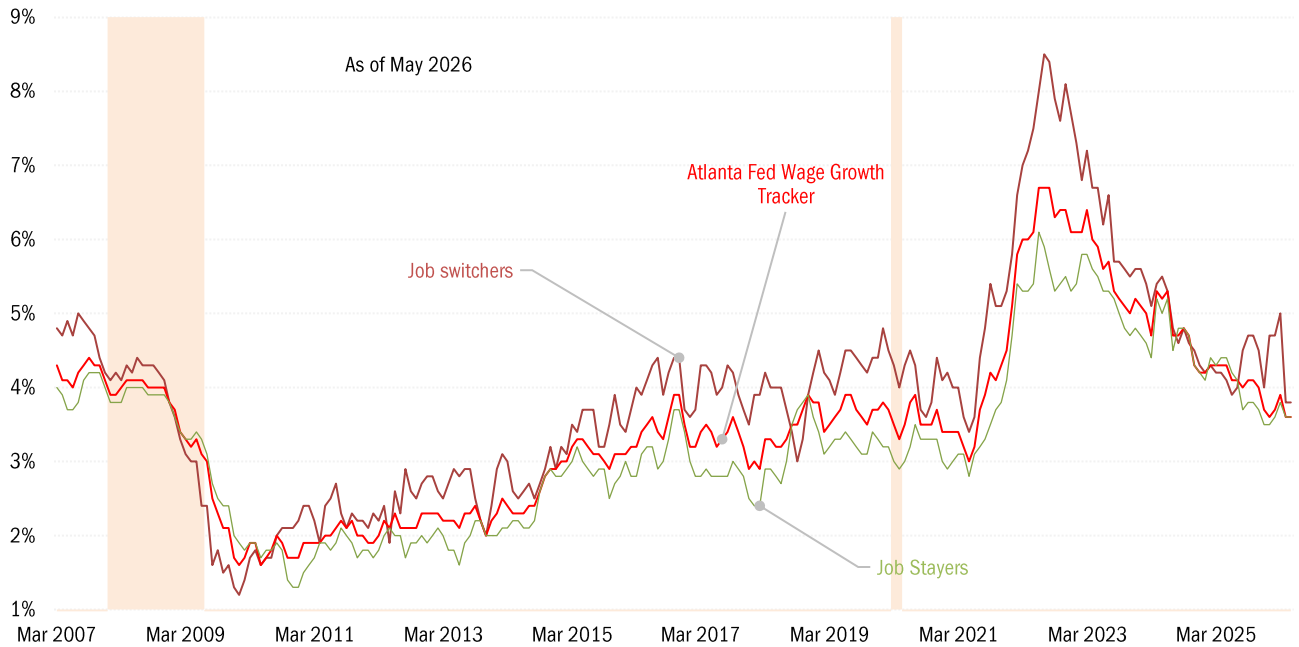
YOY average hourly earnings growth Atlanta Fed Wage Growth Index Recession



Source: BLS Current Employment Statistics, Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank, TrendMacro calculations

The wages of dynamism

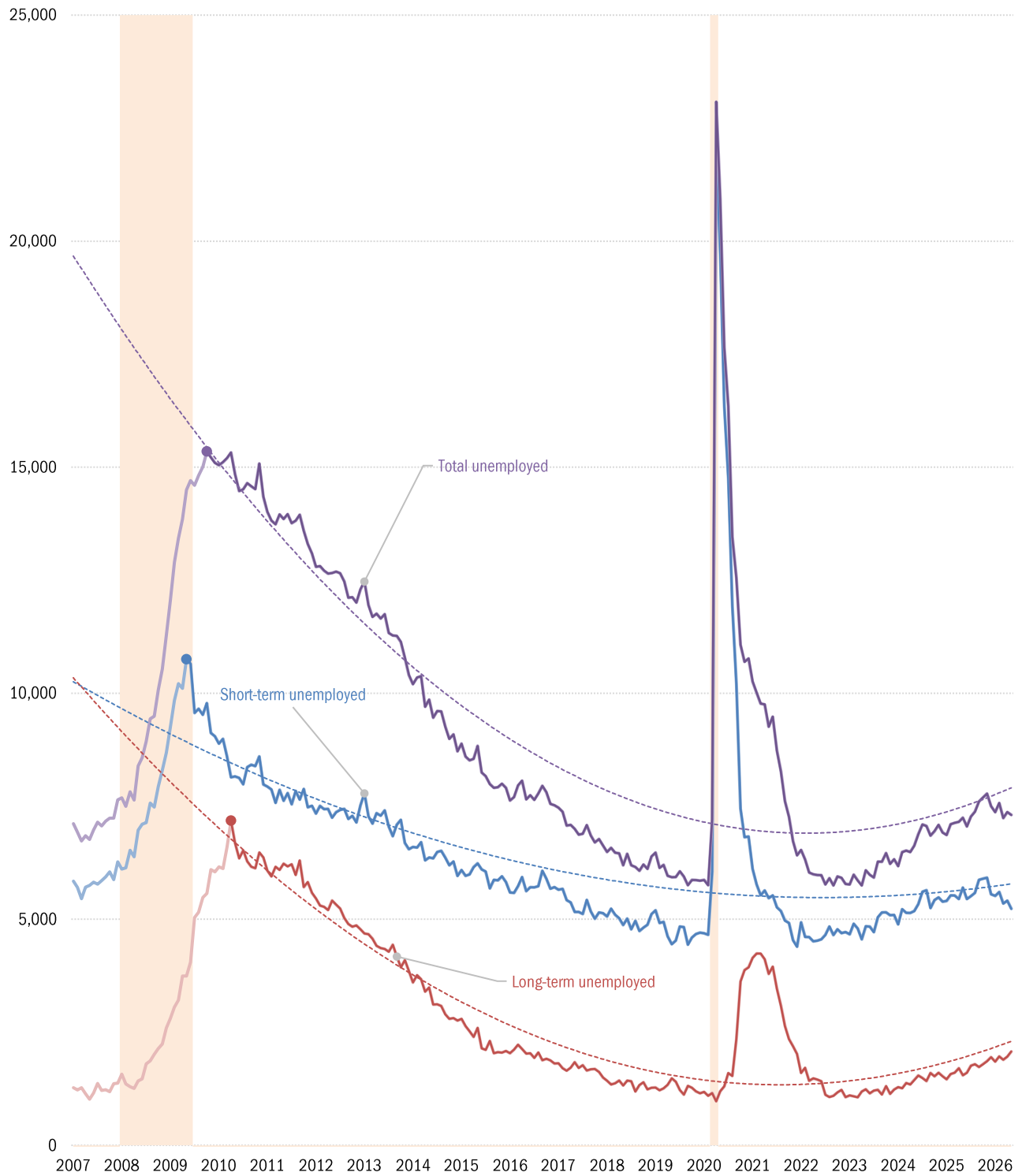
YOY wage growth for steady employees, versus those who change jobs Recession



Source: Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank, TrendMacro calculations

The Great Recession, jobless recovery, the virus and the post-war boom

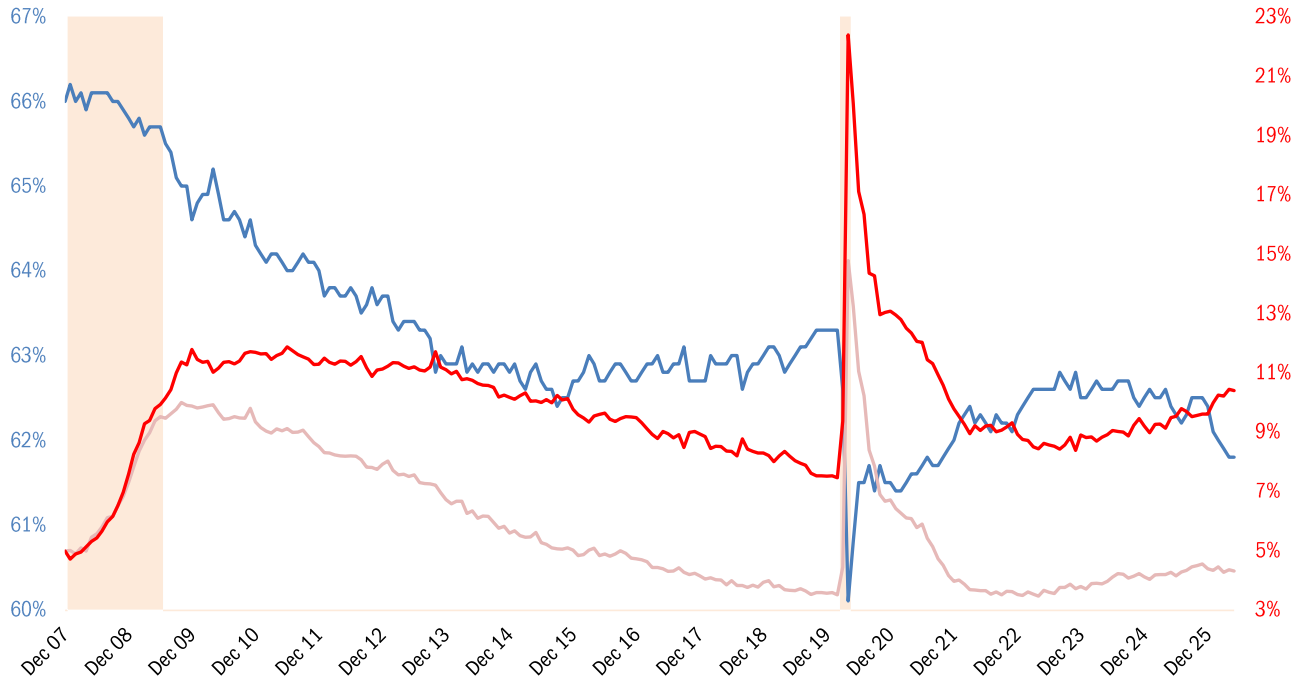
Unemployment: thousands Short-term = <27 weeks Long-term = >27 weeks



Source: BLS Current Population Survey, TrendMacro calculations

Unemployment rate normalized for participation rate December 2007

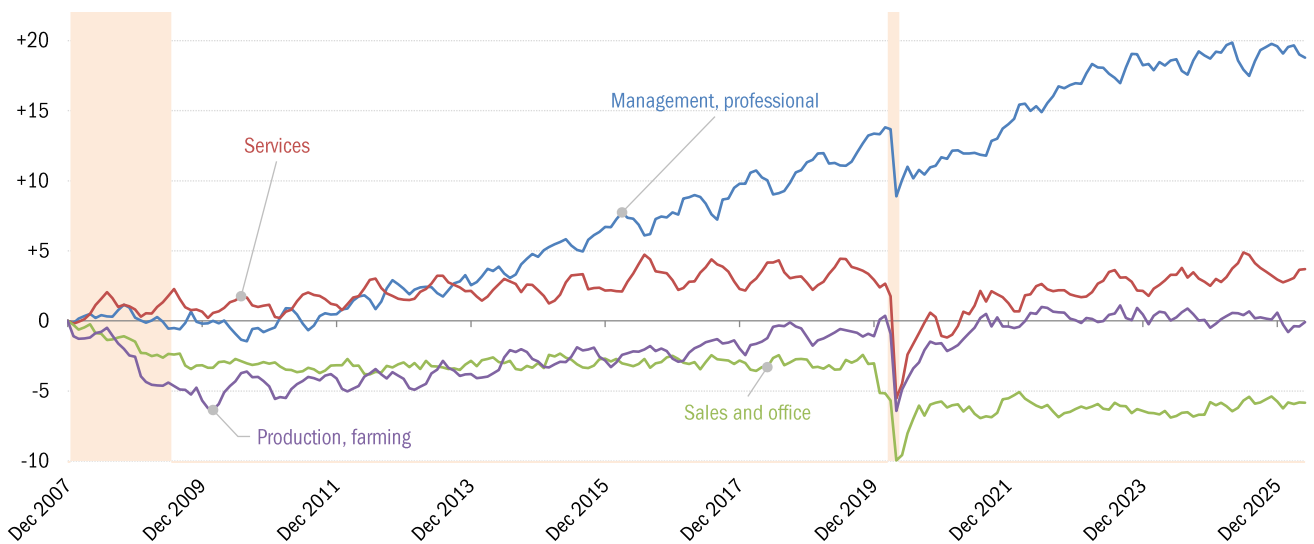
— Participation rate — Headline unemployment rate — Recession



Source: BLS Current Population Survey, TrendMacro calculations

Winner and losers in secular stagnation, the pandemic and the productivity boom

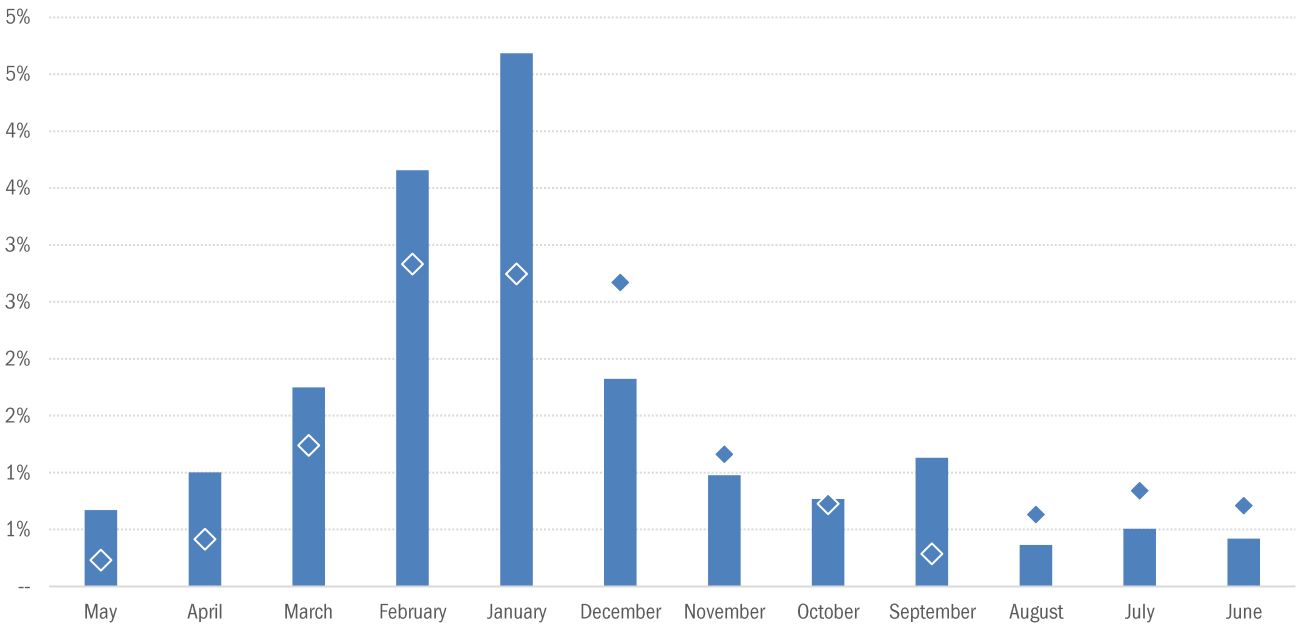
Change in total payrolls from prior business cycle peak, millions



Source: BLS, NBER, TrendMacro calculations

Wondering whether it's the weather

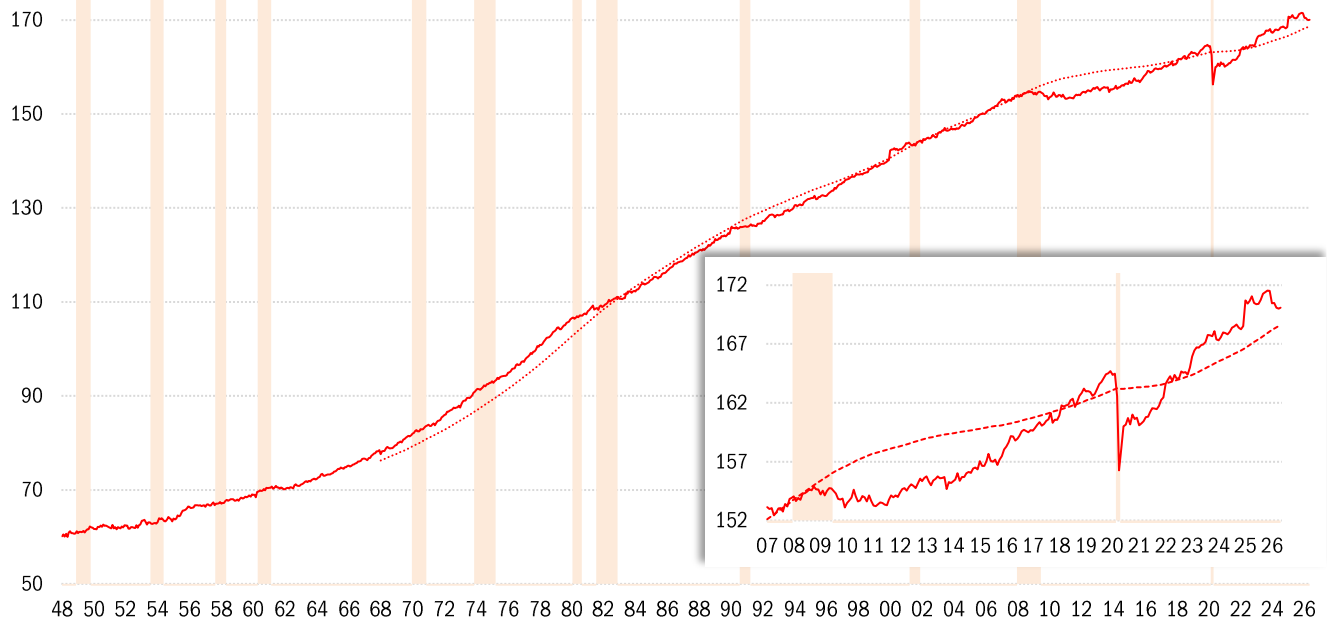
Share of unemployed due to weather ◆ Most recent month ■ Average month from 1976



Source: BLS Current Population Survey, TrendMacro calculations

Civilian labor force versus 20-year trend, millions

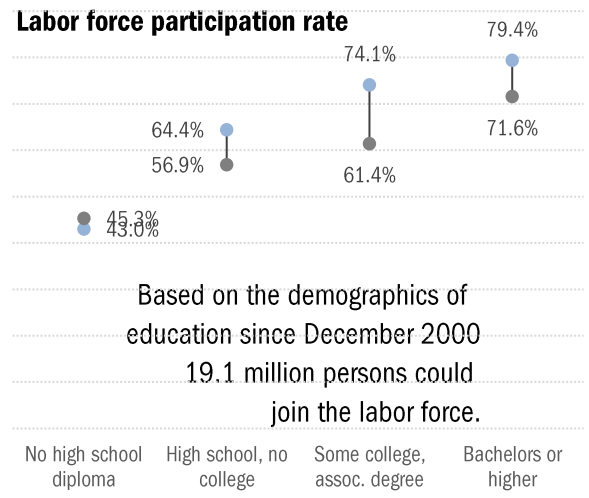
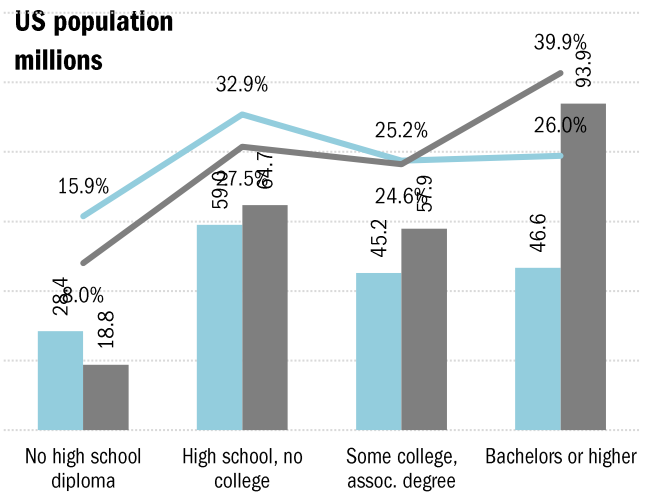
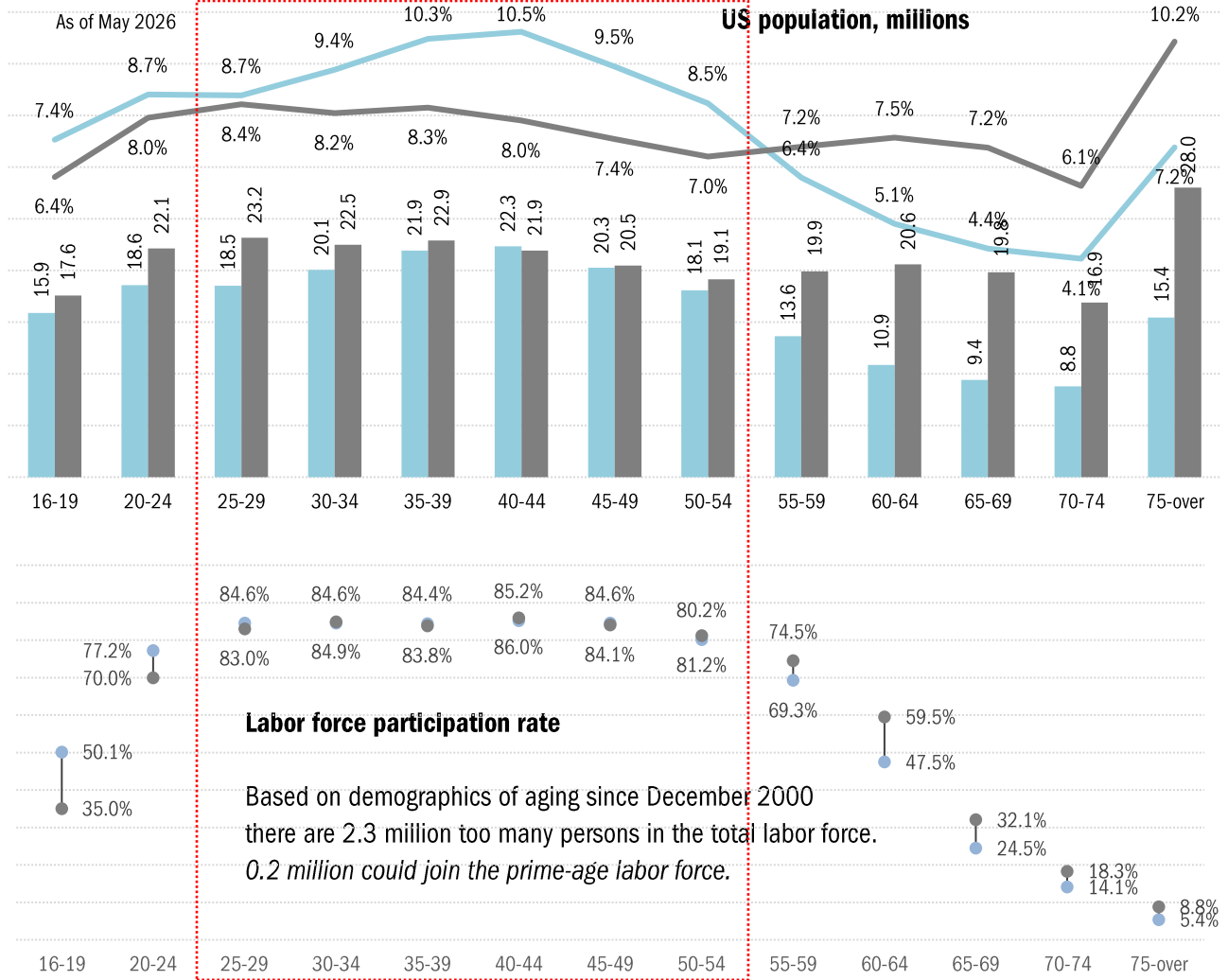
■ Recession



Source: BLS Current Population Survey, TrendMacro calculations

US labor force demographics: fading baby boom and its well-educated echo

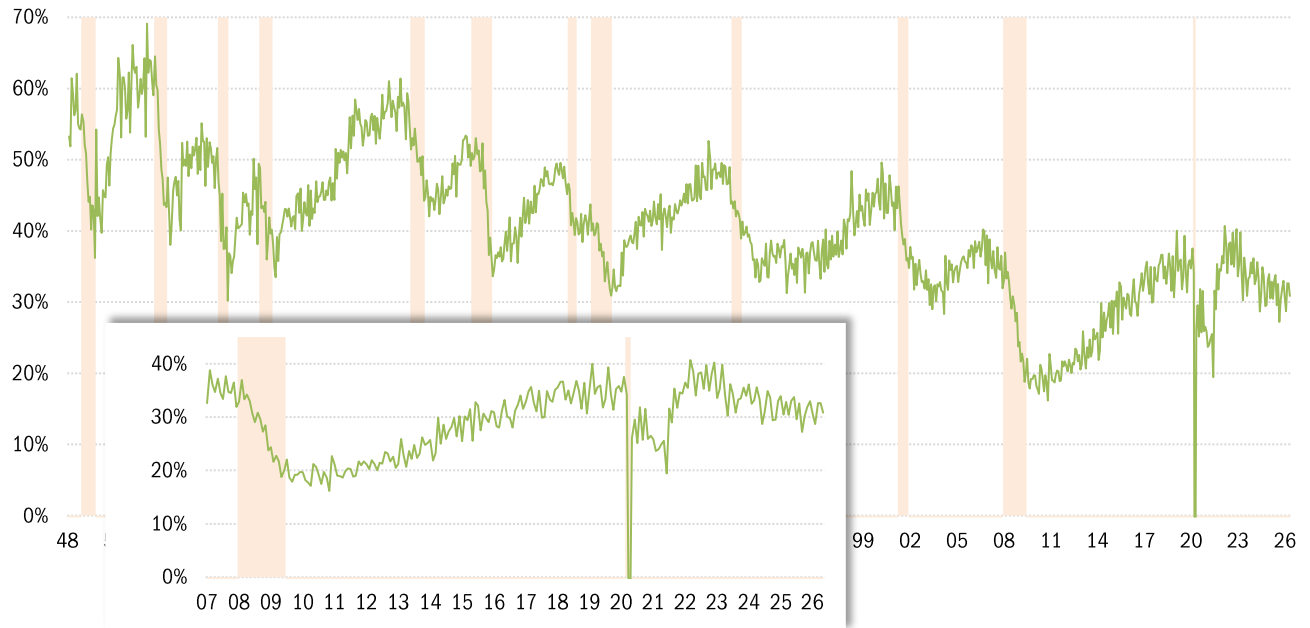
By age and education bracket: ■ Dec 2000, peak in the labor force participation rate ■ Latest □ Prime age



Source: BLS Current Population Survey, TrendMacro calculations

Monthly job-finding probability (the outflow rate from unemployment)

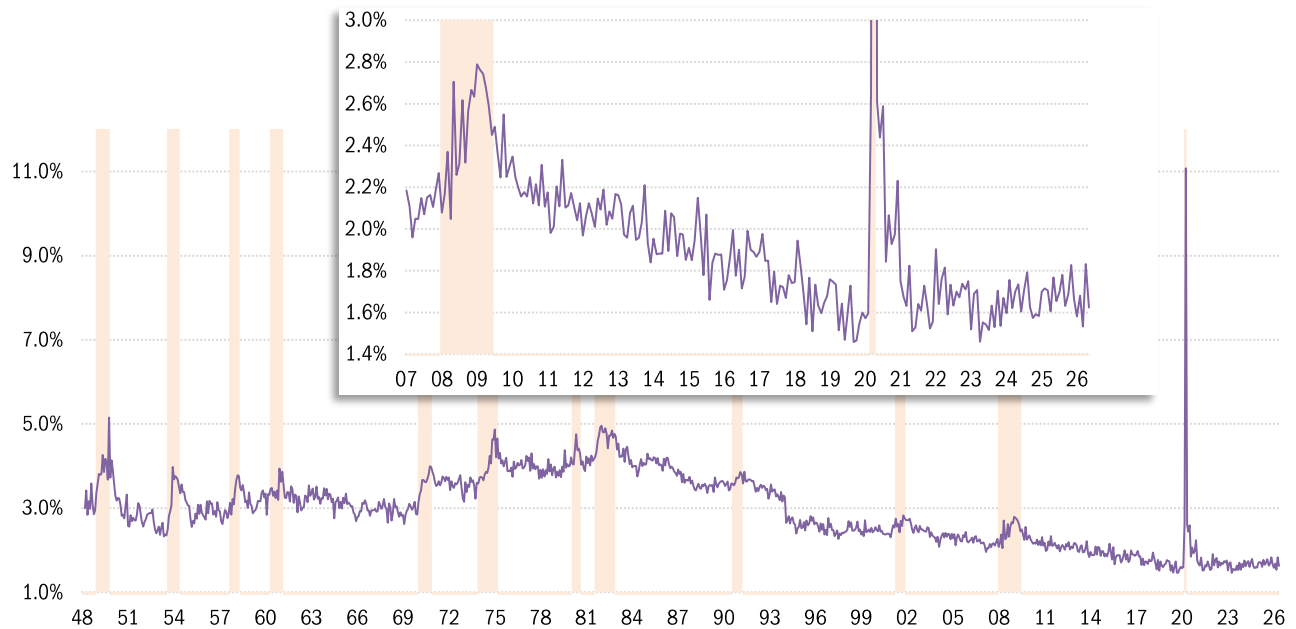
Chance of an unemployed person becoming employed in one month (per [Shimer 2005](#)) Recession



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Monthly job-separation probability (the inflow rate to unemployment)

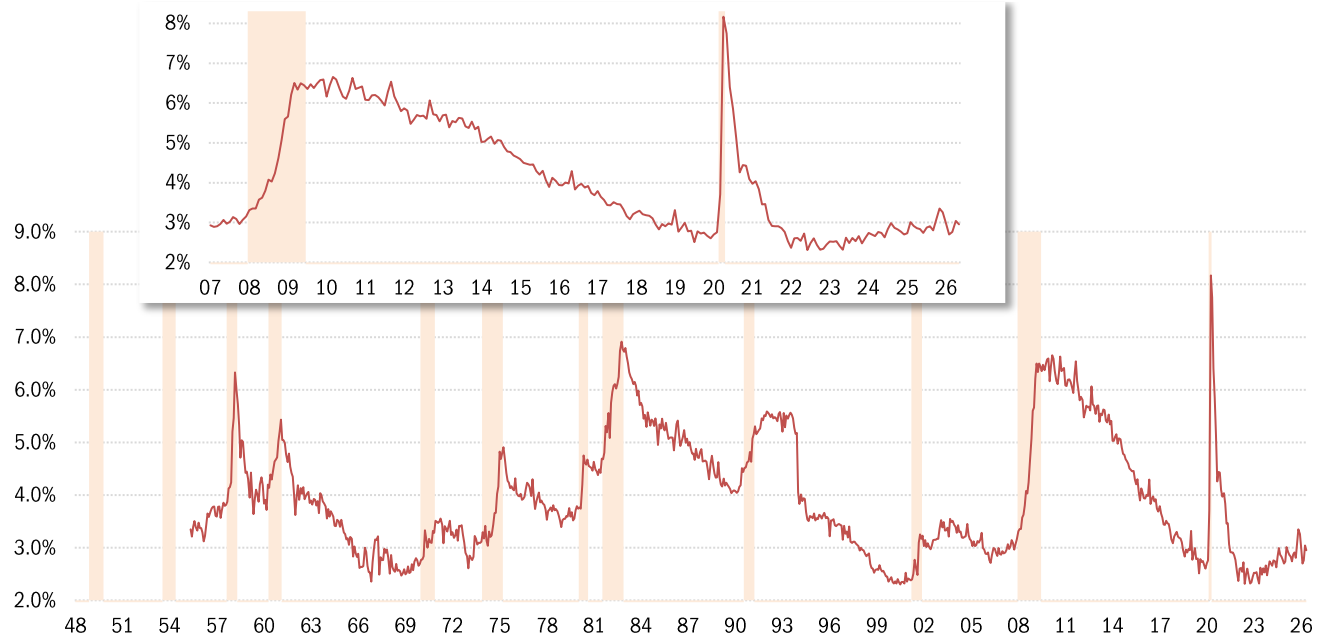
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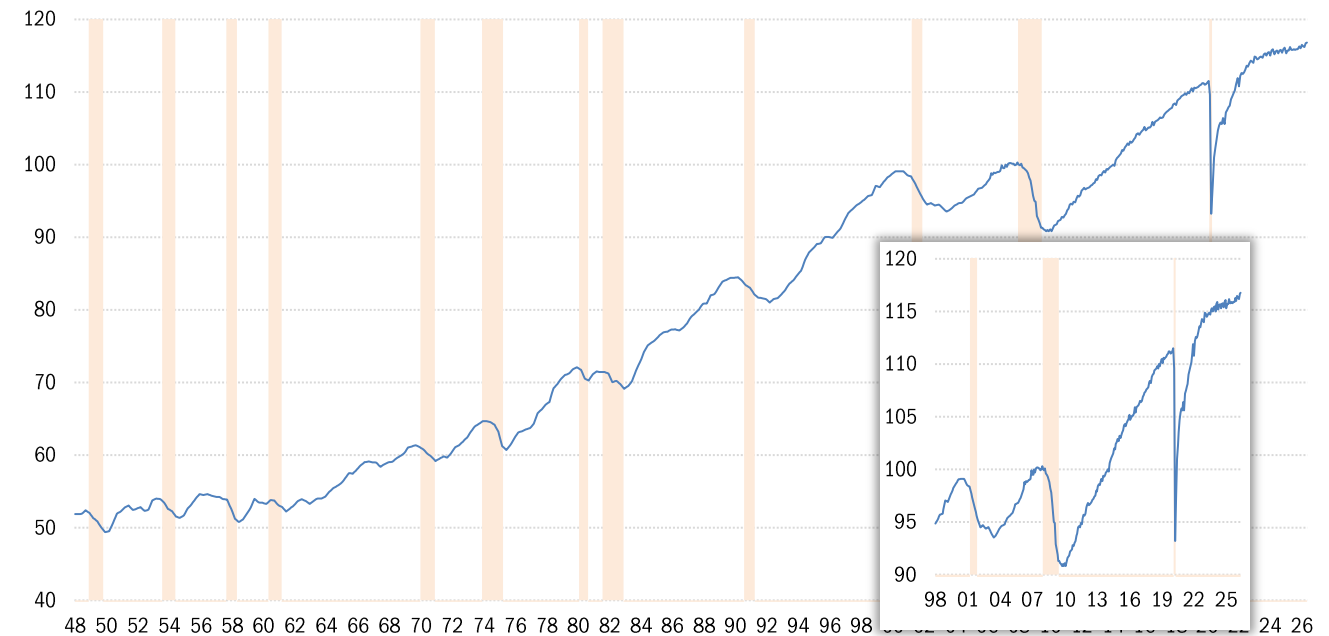
Involuntary part-time workers as percentage of the employed labor force

Persons available for full-time work ■ Recession



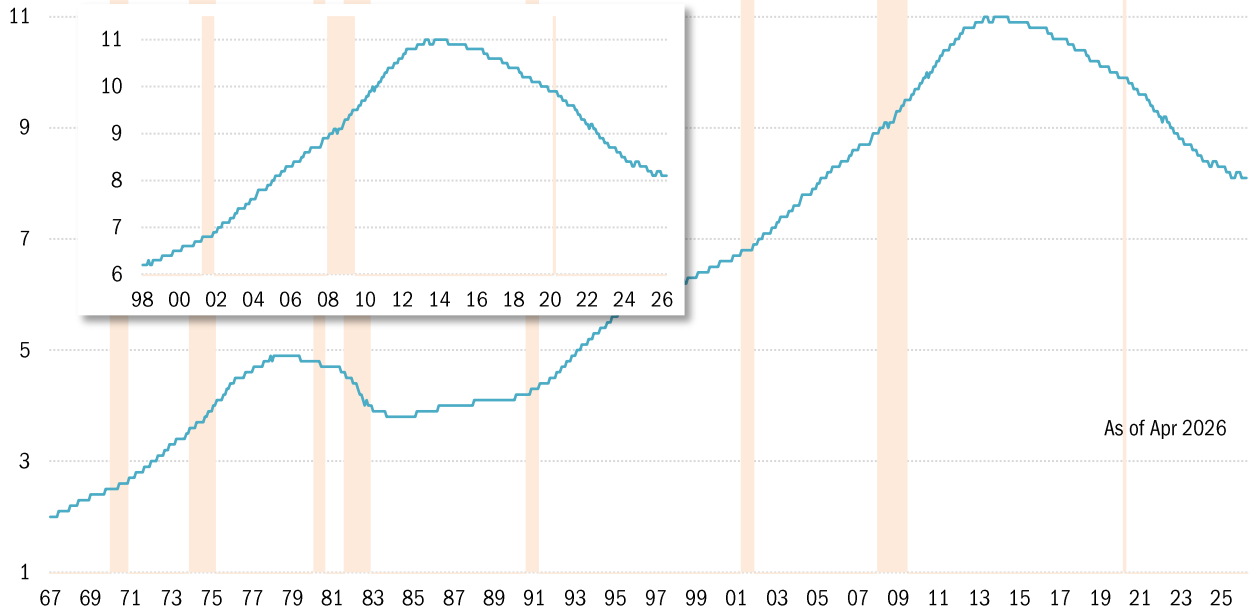
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Aggregate weekly private hours-worked index ■ Recession

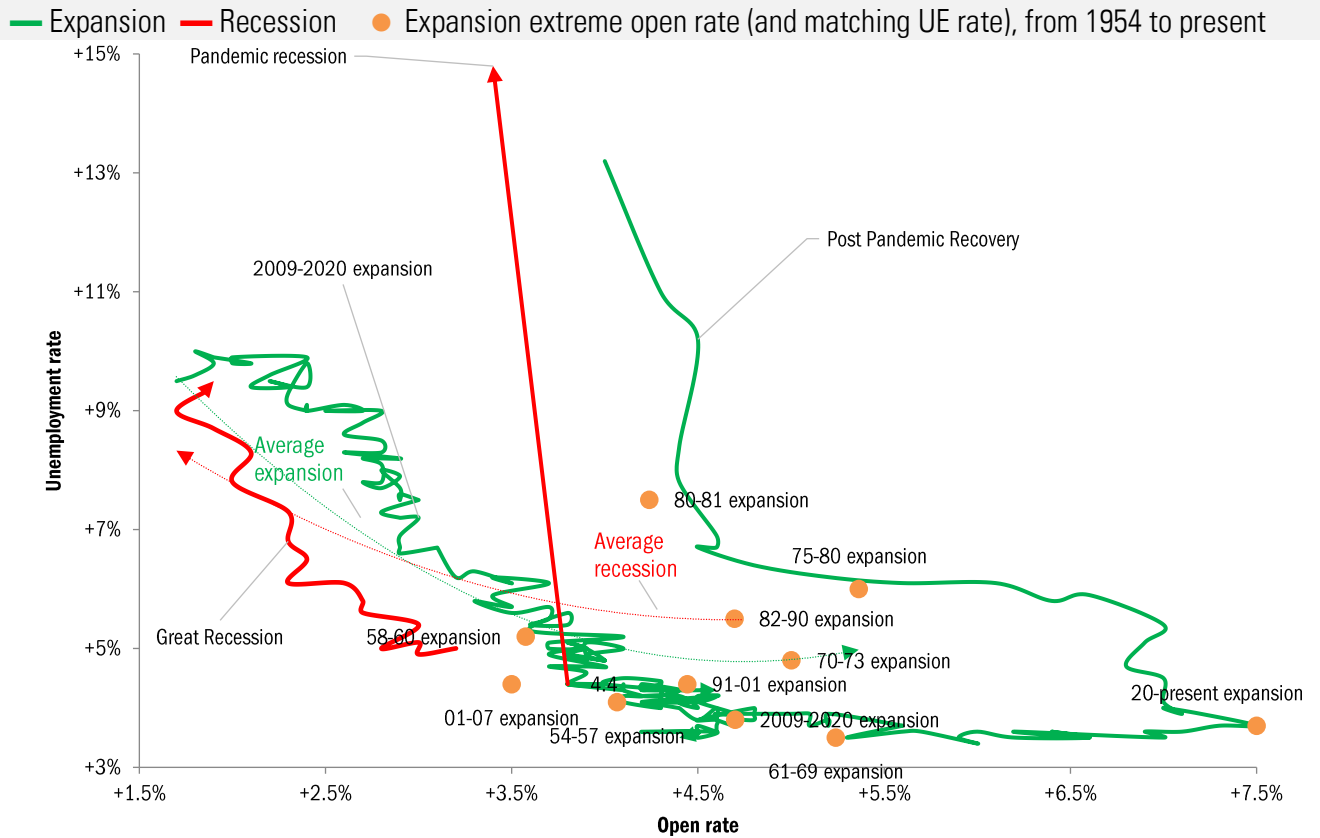


Source: BLS Productivity and Costs (quarterly) and Current Employment Stats (recent monthly), TrendMacro calcs

Can the disabled come back to the labor force? Social Security disability recipients, millions



Running out of workers? The Beveridge Curve Cycle relationship between UE and job openings



Source: BLS Current Population Survey & JOLTS. Pre-2000: Conference Board normalized per [Valletta \(2005\)](#), TrendMacro calculations