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Wales' Recovery Kicks Into Gear with Strongest Hiring Outlook on Record

MARKET OVERVIEW

Employers in Wales anticipate the strongest labour market since the survey began in 1992 during April – June period, reporting a Net Employment Outlook of +31%. Compared with last quarter, hiring intentions have increased by 13 percentage-points. Compared with Q2 2021, hiring Outlook is up 33 percentage-points.

In Wales hiring Outlook is hitting high levels on a par with other regions as COVID restrictions cool and optimism increases. The manufacturing sector is a particular standout driving high optimism in the country. HGV drivers still in high demand, while the NHS and social care sectors are experiencing very high demand. Pay rates have increased as clients expect a higher level of skill in candidates as prices increase.

