

8.2M



OPEN  
JOBS

151K



NEW JOBS  
ADDED

4.1%



UNEMPLOYMENT  
RATE

3.3M



MONTHLY  
QUITS

62.4%



LABOR FORCE  
PARTICIPATION  
RATE

+0.3%



HOURLY  
EARNINGS  
(YoY)

## OUTLOOK

The February labor market report signals a cooling job market amid federal layoffs, policy uncertainty and shifting economic conditions. While job gains remained positive, they were below economist expectations. The unemployment rate ticked up to 4.1%, driven by government job cuts, trade concerns and shifting employer hiring strategies. The labor market remains stable but under pressure, with future growth uncertain due to evolving economic policies.

### SOURCES:

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