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In February, Delaware's seasonally adjusted job openings increased for the first time since October 2024, growing by 3,000 above their January level, but there were 9,000 fewer openings than a year ago. The number of unemployed Delawareans totaled 18,500 in February, resulting in 3,500 more job openings than workers looking to fill them. In comparing regional states, Delaware, New Jersey and Maryland each saw increases in their total number of job openings, while Pennsylvania and US job openings declined from January to February. Delaware's ratio of job openings to unemployed worker rose from 1.0 to 1.2. New Jersey's ratio of 1.0 was the lowest among regional states, while Maryland had the highest ratio at 1.3. Pennsylvania and the national ratio were both slightly below Delaware's at 1.1.

Delaware Job Openings comes from the Bureau of Labor Statistics Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey (JOLTS). JOLTS provides information on the demand for labor in Delaware and job turnover. More info on the JOLTS program can be found at www.bls.gov/jlt/.

Delaware's Unemployed vs Job Openings

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The number of Job Openings exceeds the number of Unemployed People

(*) Preliminary data

Source: BLS's Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey and the Local Area Unemployment Statistics, seasonally adjusted.