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In November, Delaware's seasonally adjusted number of job openings declined by 1,000 from the prior month, falling to 24,000. During the month, there were 1,400 more job seekers than available job openings, marking the first time since March 2021 that the number of unemployed workers exceeded the number of open jobs in the state. Regionally, Delaware was one of three states where there were more job seekers than job openings, reflected by a job seeker-to-opening ratio below 1.0. Delaware's ratio was 0.9, the second highest among neighboring states. New Jersey and Pennsylvania both recorded ratios of 0.8, while Maryland's ratio was 1.0, the highest in the region. Nationally, the U.S. ratio also stood at 0.9 in November.

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 Unemployed People exceeds the number of Job Openings

(*) Preliminary data

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