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Seasonally adjusted job openings in Delaware rose to 26,000 in September, reflecting both a month-over-month and year-over-year increase of 2,000 openings and marking the highest level since December 2024. During the same month, the number of unemployed workers totaled 23,100, resulting in approximately 2,900 more job openings than unemployed individuals. Delaware recorded the highest ratio of unemployed workers to job openings in the region at 1.1, down from 1.3 in September 2024. Pennsylvania followed at 1.0, while Maryland and New Jersey reported fewer available positions than job seekers, with ratios of 0.8 and 0.7, respectively. Nationally, the US ratio was 1.0 in September, unchanged from a year ago.

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.