

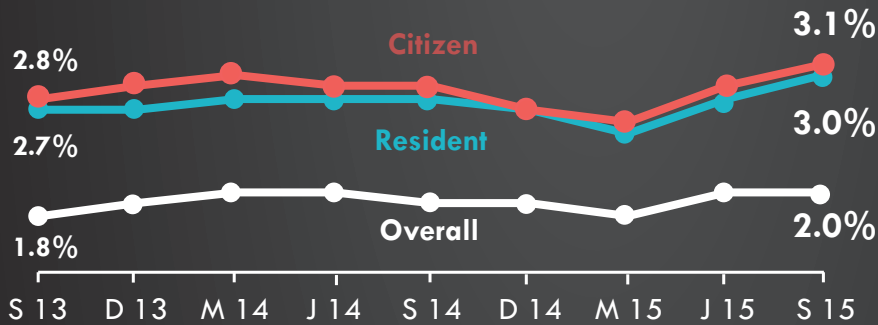
# EMPLOYMENT SITUATION, THIRD QUARTER 2015

Overall unemployment remained unchanged in the third quarter of 2015. However, it rose slightly among residents and citizens for the second consecutive quarter, amid softer economic conditions. Employment grew faster than in the preceding quarter but the increase was lower than the same period last year. Layoffs fell for the third consecutive quarter.



Overall unemployment held constant, but edged up for residents and citizens

Unemployment Rate (Seasonally Adjusted)

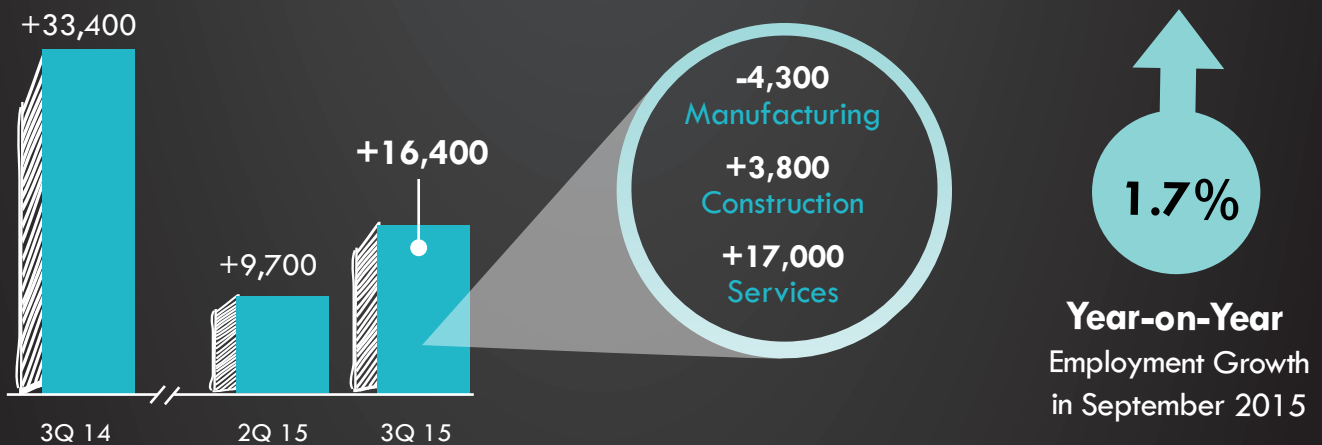


... on the back of a downtrend from June 2014, before which rates were broadly comparable to those recently observed.

Employment grew faster than last quarter, but slowed from a year ago

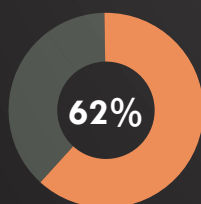


Employment Change

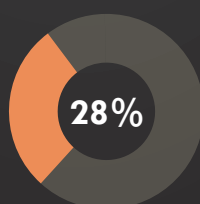


Layoffs declined for the third consecutive quarter

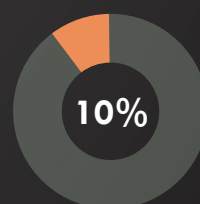
**2,900** workers were made redundant in third quarter of 2015, down from **3,250** in the preceding quarter and **3,500** in third quarter of 2014.



Services



Manufacturing



Construction

Notes: (1) Data for third quarter of 2015 are preliminary.

(2) Data for redundancy pertain to private establishments each with at least 25 employees and the public sector.

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