

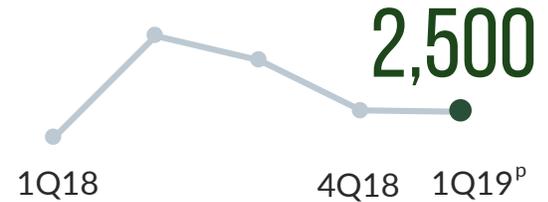
# LABOUR MARKET HELD UP IN 1Q 2019

Despite signs of economic headwinds in the year

1Q19<sup>P</sup> **+12,000**  
4Q18 **+14,700**  
1Q18 **+ 400**

**Total employment growth** was significantly higher than 1Q 2018 and lower than 4Q 2018 due to seasonal factors

**Retrenchments** were similar to 4Q 2018



## Overall and Resident Unemployment rates

held steady in March 2019<sup>P</sup>

Overall

**2.2%**

Resident

**3.0%**

Citizen

**3.2%**

Inched up from 3.1% in Dec 2018

### Notes:

1. Total employment growth exclude foreign domestic workers
2. Unemployment rates are seasonally adjusted
3. <sup>P</sup> : preliminary



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