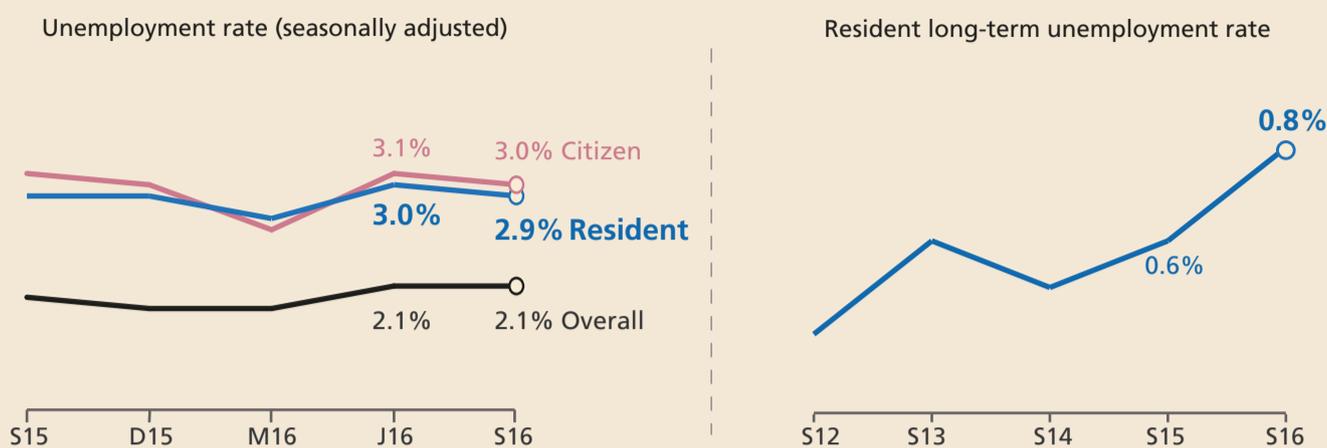
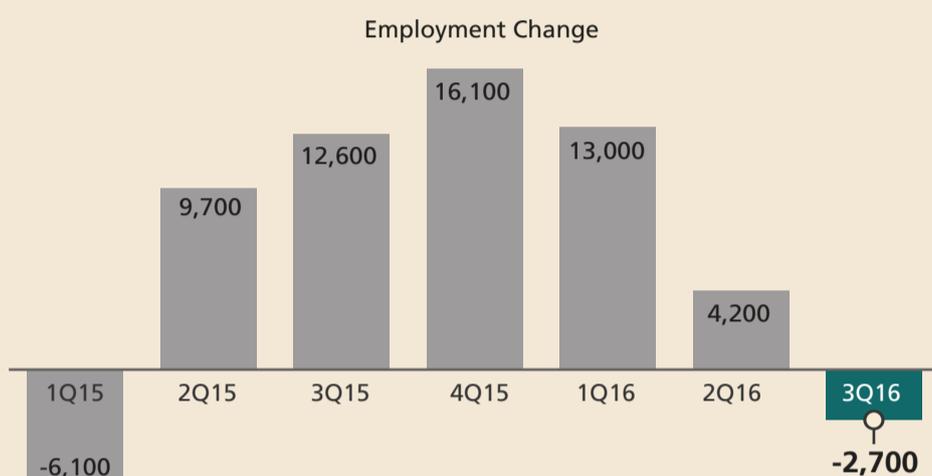


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Resident unemployment rate remained broadly similar, but more job seekers were taking a longer time to find work



Total employment contracted after slower growth in the past two quarters

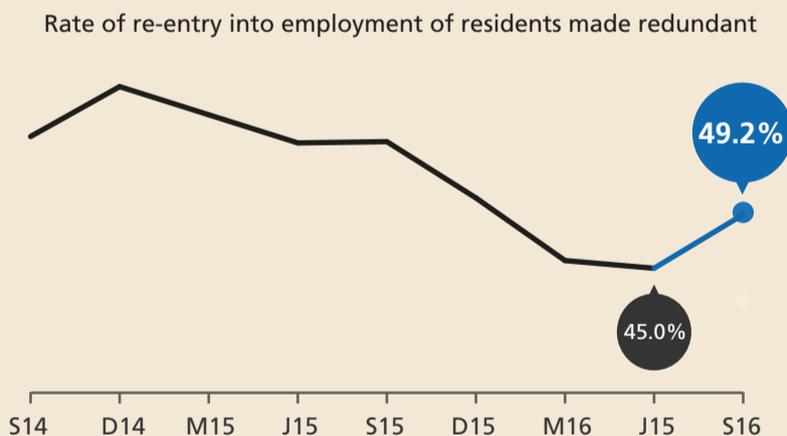


Layoffs lower than past quarter, but higher than a year ago



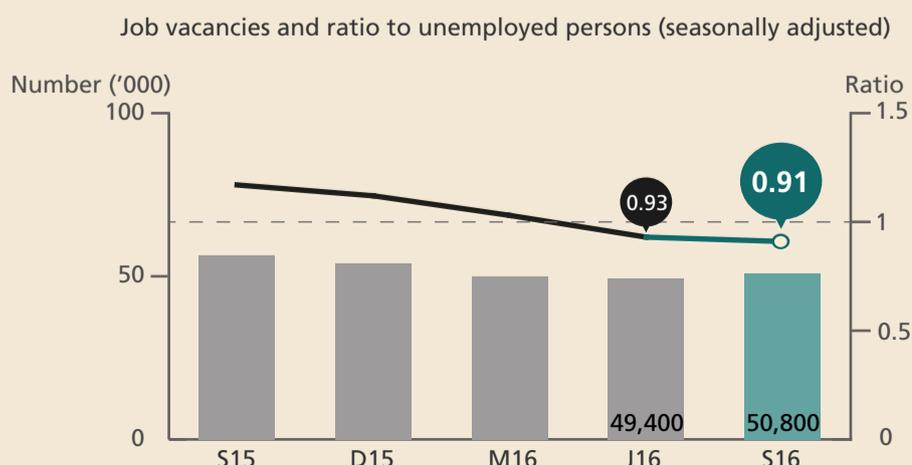
Note: Data pertain to private sector establishments each with at least 25 employees and the public sector.

Rate of re-entry into employment edged up after a general downtrend since December 2014



Note: Data refers to re-entry rates as at end of quarter for residents made redundant in the previous quarter.

Unemployed persons outnumbered job openings for the second consecutive quarter



Note: Job vacancies pertain to private sector establishments each with at least 25 employees and the public sector. The ratio is computed based on the estimates of total job vacancies for the whole economy and total unemployed persons.