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Employment barometer in the 1st quarter 2018

### Fastest growth in employment in industry for 10 years

Neuchâtel, 4 June 2018 (FSO) – In the 1st quarter 2018, total employment (number of jobs) rose by 1.6% in comparison with the same quarter a year earlier (+0.6% with previous quarter, +1.7% in full-time equivalents). The Swiss economy counted 77 000 more jobs and 11 000 more vacancies than in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. There was also an increase in the employment outlook indicator (+2.0%) and difficulty in recruiting personnel (+1.4 percentage points). These are some of the findings from the Federal Statistical Office (FSO).

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