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2025 Q1 US Transportation Labor Market Update

While the broader US labor market generally held steady in Q1, trends were mixed across the transportation sector. Logistic support job postings were up slightly over the past year, while warehousing continued to slow, with loading & stocking job postings down 17.2%. Meanwhile, wage growth stagnated for driving occupations over most of the last six months.

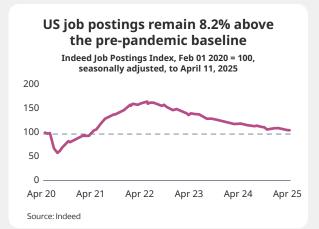
Transport job postings

Loading & Stocking postings slide just below pre-pandemic level Indeed job postings, through April 11, 2025

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0.2	40.4
-17.2	-2.8
-22.8	9.1

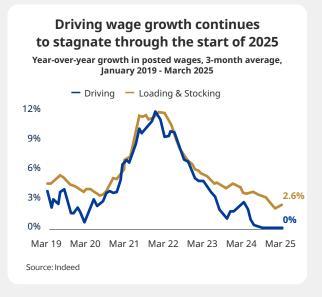
- Driving and logistic support job postings increased by 0.2% and 1.6% over the past year.
- Loading & stocking postings steadily declined over the past year and are now below the pre-pandemic baseline. Aviation postings declined 22.8% over the last year.

Indeed job postings



- The US labor market remained calm, and the US Indeed Job Posting Index (JPI) hovered between 8% and 12% above its pre-pandemic baseline.
- Overall, job postings were down 10.1% year-overyear, but remained 8.2% above the pre-pandemic baseline.

Transport wage growth



- Loading & stocking wage growth ticked up at the start of the year, but year-over-year pay growth sat at 2.6% as of March 2025.
- Driving wage growth remained stagnant at 0% throughout the quarter.

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Hiring Lab analyzes the latest Indeed data each quarter to provide labor market insights for the transportation, retail, business-to-business, and healthcare sectors. We examine trends in job postings, wage growth, worker churn, and occupational categories to inform employers and job seekers about changes in employment across these sectors.



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