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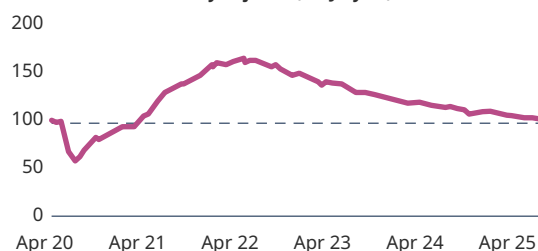
2025 Q2 US Transportation Labor Market Update

As the overall labor market continues to soften, the transportation sector appears to be moving in tandem. Job postings in all transportation categories are down year-over-year. On the pay front, driving wage growth picked up after hitting 0% earlier this year.

Indeed job postings

US job postings remain 4% above the pre-pandemic baseline

Indeed Job Postings Index, Feb 01 2020 = 100, seasonally adjusted, to July 11, 2025



Source: Indeed

- Employers continued to slowly pull back on job postings as the US Indeed Job Posting Index (JPI) hovered between 8% and 4% above its pre-pandemic baseline.
- Job postings are down 8% year-over-year and remain 4% above the pre-pandemic baseline.

Transportation job postings

All transportation categories post year-over-year declines in job postings

Indeed job postings, through July 11, 2025

Occupational category	% change in past year	% change from Feb 01, 2020
Driving	-5.8	31.5
Logistic Support	-8.2	14.5
Loading & Stocking	-13.6	-3.5
Aviation	-14.3	5.4

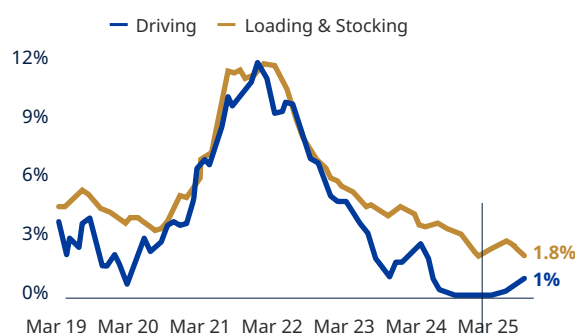
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- Transportation job postings continued to slow across the sector, with all categories posting a year-over-year decline in job postings.
- Logistic support job postings fell by more than 13% and are below their pre-pandemic baseline.
- Aviation job postings fell the most over the last year and are approaching their pre-pandemic baseline.

Transportation wage growth

Driving wage growth rises off the floor

Year-over-year growth in posted wages, 3-month average, January 2019 - June 2025



Source: Indeed

- Wage growth across the transportation sector is mostly muted, with both driving and loading & stocking categories below the labor market average of 2.9%.
- Loading & stocking wage growth has continued to slide along with job postings, notching 1.8% year-over-year growth.
- Driving wage growth has shown some signs of life after leveling off at 0% earlier this year, rising to 1%.

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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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