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Q3



Canada findings

Experis tech talent outlook

Executive summary

More than **4,000 Tech & IT Services** employers across **42 countries** were asked about their third quarter hiring intentions in the latest edition of the Experis Tech Talent Outlook.

Employers reported a Canada **Net Employment Outlook (NEO)** of

27%

as they consider their hiring plans for July – September.

Calculated by subtracting employers planning reductions from those planning to hire*.

To overcome ongoing talent scarcity, employers have primarily **upskilled & reskilled** their employees followed by offering **more location flexibility** and **increasing wages**.¹

The **NEO decreased** since the previous quarter by **24 points** and year-over-year by **15 points**.

Competition for top tech talent continues but eases slightly as

72%

of employers said they were **struggling to find the skilled talent they need**, down from 77% in 2025.¹

Key takeaways

While hiring intentions have cooled across industries amid rising economic uncertainty, the challenge of accessing skilled tech talent has not disappeared.

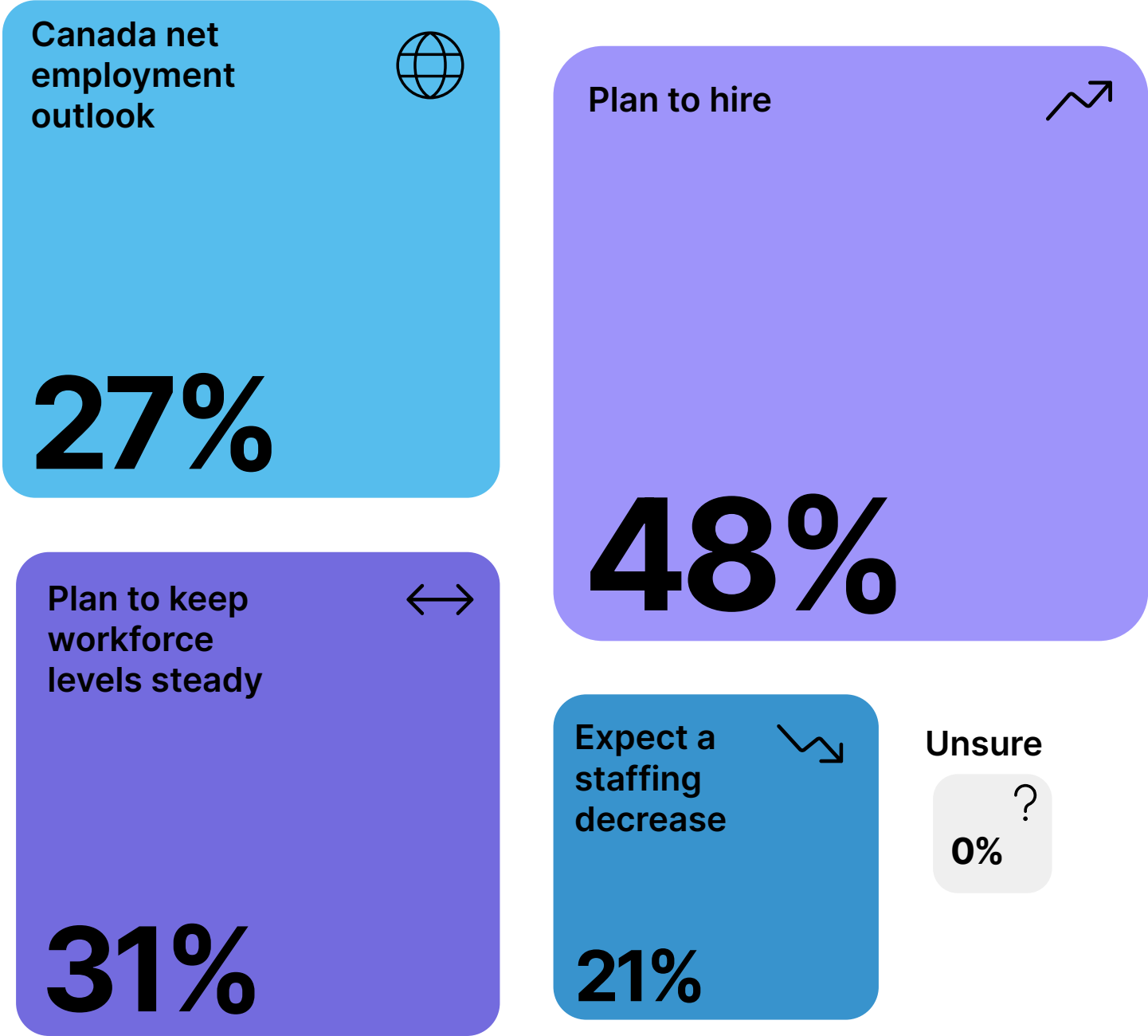
*Net Employment Outlook results range from +100% to -100%

1 ManpowerGroup 2026 Talent Shortage Survey

The Q3 2026 Canada tech talent outlook

Used internationally as a bellwether of labor market trends, the Net Employment Outlook – calculated by subtracting the percentage of employers who anticipate reductions to staffing levels from those who plan to hire – **now stands at 27%.**

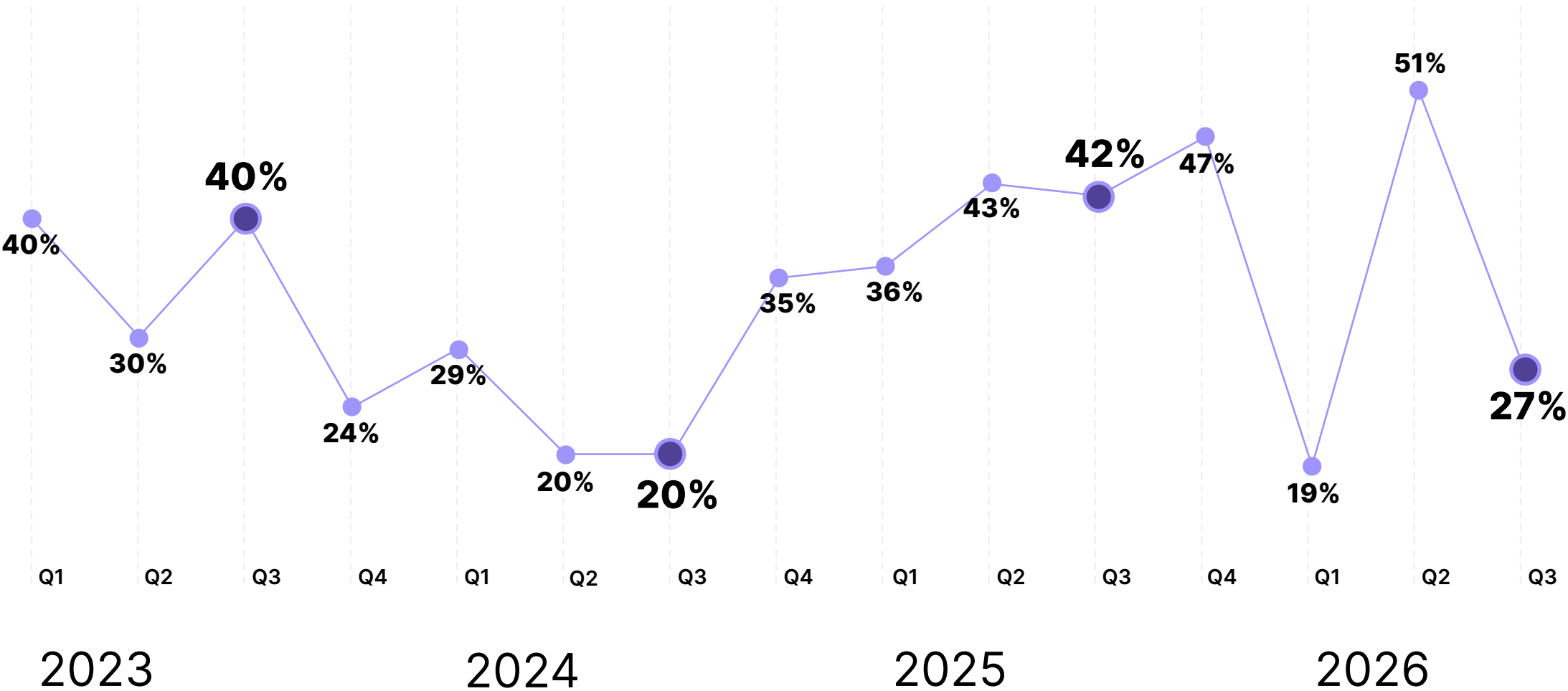
The unadjusted NEO is then seasonally adjusted to remove predictable hiring fluctuations and ensure consistent comparisons across regions and time periods. The seasonally adjusted figures are used throughout the remainder of these materials unless otherwise noted.



Bubble size represents percentage

Changes over time in Canada

Peaking in Q2 2026, hiring intentions have decreased since the previous quarter (-24 points) and year-on-year (-15).

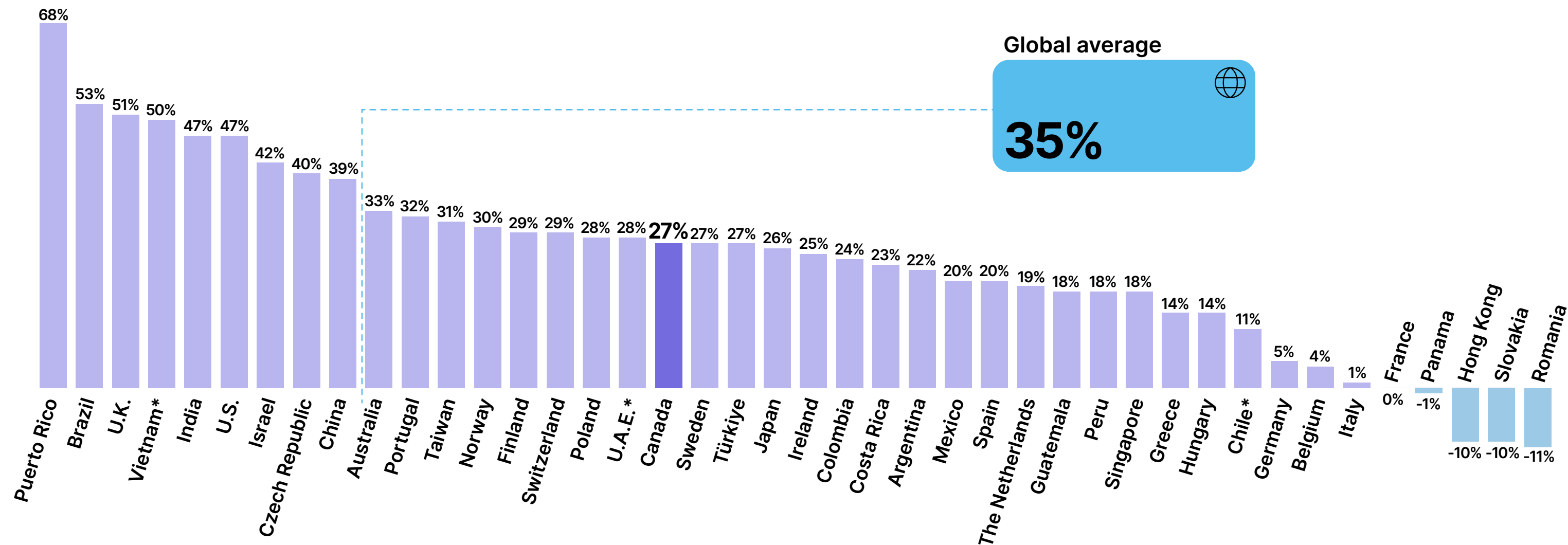


Employers across **Tech & IT Services** reported an NEO of

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for **Q3 2026**

Tech hiring expectations for July – September



* The NEOs for Chile, the U.A.E., and Vietnam are currently unadjusted and will be seasonally adjusted after sixteen quarters of data.

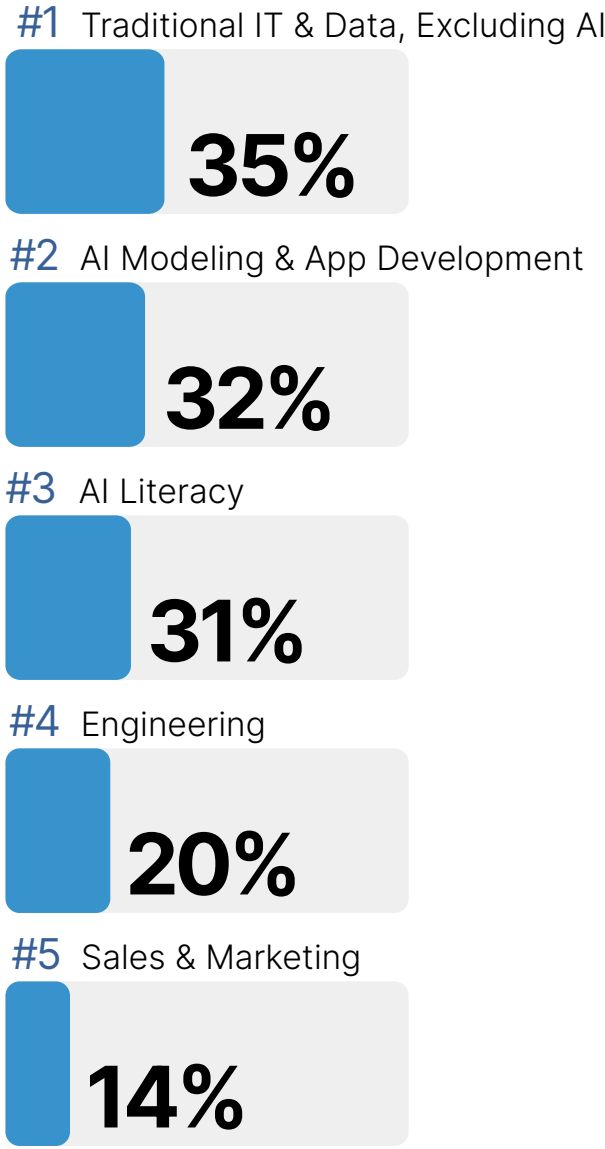
Canada talent scarcity

In a tech-focused world, people are in-demand as **72% of Tech & IT Services employers** reported struggling to find the skilled talent they need.¹

Top human skills



Top technical skills



¹ ManpowerGroup 2026 Talent Shortage Survey Respondents were able to choose more than one option. Therefore, the sum of the percentages is greater than 100%.



Actions employers are taking to overcome ongoing scarcity

Faced with structural scarcity, 90% of employers are deploying a mix of strategies.¹

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The methodology

About the Experis Tech Talent Outlook

The research is based on responses from 4,497 Tech and IT Services sector employers across 42 countries included in ManpowerGroup's Employment Outlook Survey — the longest running, most comprehensive, forward-looking employment survey of its kind, used globally as a key labor market indicator. The data for the third quarter was collected between April 1-30, 2026.

About the Experis Tech Talent Outlook's Tech & IT services industry sector

ManpowerGroup has introduced an updated industry sector classification to ensure our insights more closely reflect today's global economy. Historical data has been reclassified to maintain consistency over time, and national and regional results remain unchanged. The Tech & IT Services' classification is defined by the following North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Sectors: Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing (334); Internet Publishing and Broadcasting (516); Telecommunications (517); Data Processing, Hosting, and Related Services (518); Other Information Services (519); and Computer Systems Design and Related Services (5415).

About the Talent Shortage survey

ManpowerGroup interviewed 39,063 employers in 41 countries: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Mexico, The Netherlands, Norway, Panama, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Romania, Singapore, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Türkiye, United Arab Emirates (U.A.E.), United Kingdom (U.K.), and the United States (U.S.). The fieldwork was completed between October 1 and 31, 2025, in all markets.

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