## **Q2 2025 PULSE SURVEY**

WHAT A DIFFERENCE A YEAR MAKES: WORKERS ARE MUCH LESS LIKELY TO BE LOOKING FOR A NEW JOB IN Q2 2025 VS. Q2 2024

Confidence in the US economy and labor market is very low in 2025 – and TRC found that fewer workers are now looking to make career moves



Are you seeking new employment in the next 3 months?

Among those currently employed





## AND WHEN WORKERS DO WANT TO CHANGE JOBS, IT'S FOR PERSONAL REASONS

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What is impacting your decision to make a job switch?						
Personal Life Changes	36%					
Current Events (Tariffs, Recession, Etc.)	12%					
Return to Office Mandates	10%					
None of the above	47%					

for a new job:	
Career Growth	53%
Unhappy with Wage	40%
Poor Work/Life Balance or Commute Time	28%
Issues with Management or Company Culture	27%

TRC found that
internal motivations
like career growth
and life changes –
more so than wider
labor market or
economic conditions
– are driving the
decision to look
for a new job

## DIFFERENT WORKERS ARE DISSATISFIED WITH DIFFERENT THINGS ABOUT THEIR JOBS

TRC research found that the factors driving career switches vary by career stages and industries

	Most Likely to Cite	Career Growth	Wages	Work/Life Balance or Commute	Management or Culture Issues	Personal Life Changes	Return to Office Mandates
@	By Career	6-10 years	0-5 years	11-15 years	11-15 years	0-5 years	11-15 years
	Stage	(62%)	(42%)	(34%)	(43%)	(43%)	(20%)
	By	Business	Retail	Warehouse/	Manufacturing/	Retail	Business
	Industry	Services (70%)	(50%)	Logistics (39%)	Production (36%)	(54%)	Services (25%)

## IN A TIME OF UNCERTAINTY, WORKERS TEND TO RATE THEIR EMPLOYERS HIGHER



**76%** of workers overall say they would recommend their employer to a friend or colleague in Q2 2025 – up from 71% in Q2 2024 Among those currently employed

Management and culture issues may be a key factor driving lower worker satisfaction levels

Those who are **LEAST** likely to recommend their employers are also the **MOST** likely to cite management and culture issues as a reason for job searching

- Workers with 11-15 years experience
- Manufacturing and production workers