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Modest Job Market Expected for Raleigh-Cary, NC MSA

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June 14, 2011 - Raleigh-Cary, NC MSA employers expect to hire at a conservative pace during Quarter 3 2011, according to the Manpower Employment Outlook Survey. Among survey participants, the Raleigh-Cary, NC MSA employment outlook is one of the weakest in the nation.

From July to September, 15% of the companies interviewed plan to hire more employees, while 13% expect to cut staff. Another 66% expect to maintain their current staff levels and 6% are not certain of their hiring plans. This yields a Net Employment Outlook* of 2%.

"Employers report slightly stronger hiring plans for the third quarter of 2011 compared to Quarter 2 when the Net Employment Outlook was 0," said Manpower spokesperson Michael Doyle. "Employers expect much weaker employment prospects compared with one year ago when the Net Employment Outlook was 14%."

Summary of Results for Raleigh-Cary, NC MSA

	Increase Staff Levels	Decrease Staff Levels	Maintain Staff Levels	Don't Know	Net Employment Outlook
Q3 2011 (current)	15%	13%	66%	6%	2%
Q2 2011 (previous quarter)	11%	11%	72%	6%	0%
Q3 2010 (one year ago)	19%	5%	71%	5%	14%

**The Net Employment Outlook is derived by taking the percentage of employers anticipating an increase in hiring activity and subtracting from this the percentage of employers expecting a decrease in hiring activity.*

For the coming quarter, job prospects appear best in Durable and Non-Durable Goods Manufacturing, Transportation & Utilities, Financial Activities, Professional & Business Services and Other Services. Employers in Wholesale & Retail Trade, Education & Health Services and Government plan to reduce staffing levels, while Construction, Information and Leisure & Hospitality employers report no change in hiring sentiment.

Manpower Employment Outlook Survey Results for the United States

Of the more than 18,000 employers surveyed in the United States, 20% anticipate an increase in staff levels in their Quarter 3 2011 hiring plans, while 8% expect a decrease in payrolls, resulting in a Net Employment Outlook of +12%. When seasonally adjusted, the Net Employment Outlook becomes +8%. Sixty-nine percent of employers expect no change in their hiring plans. The remaining 3% of employers indicate they are undecided about their hiring intentions.

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To view results for Metropolitan Statistical areas surveyed within North Carolina, visit http://press.manpower.com.

The next Manpower Employment Outlook Survey will be released on September 13, 2011 to report hiring expectations for Quarter 4 2011.

About the Survey

The Manpower Employment Outlook Survey is conducted quarterly to measure employers' intentions to increase or decrease the number of employees in their workforces during the next quarter. The Manpower Employment Outlook Survey's United States results are based on interviews with 18,000 employers located in the 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, which includes the largest 100 Metropolitan Statistical Areas based on number of business establishments. The mix of industries within the survey follows the North American Industry Classification System Supersectors and is structured to be representative of the U.S. economy.

The complete results of the national Manpower Employment Outlook Survey can be found in the Press Room of our website at http://press.manpower.com. There you will also find the results for the 100 Metropolitan Statistical Areas surveyed, the 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Questions can be directed to press@na.manpower.com.