

Slower declines in permanent and temporary staff appointments in May, Report on Jobs shows

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Today's Report on Jobs shows that the job market deteriorated at a slower pace in May, as the rates of decline in placements and billings eased further. In the Report, published by the REC and KPMG, recruiters signaled another month of lower permanent and temporary staff appointments during May. However, the rates of decline eased further from recent records to the weakest in ten and eight months respectively.

Kevin Green, Chief Executive of the REC, says: "This month's Report on Jobs shows that vacancies and appointments continue to decline, however there are some signs of recovery. For example, sixty per cent of recruiters reported either a stable or increased demand for temporary staff in May.