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Charts

- Much of the acceleration in wages and salaries comes from blue-collar and manual services occupations
  05 August, 2021

- Employment in manufacturing is still well below pre-pandemic levels in many states, with losses especially large in the Northeast, Midwest, and Pacific
  29 July, 2021

- Tech companies headquartered in Silicon Valley have increased hiring for tech jobs in other parts of the country
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- The trajectory for low wage workers is very different between states that went beyond the federal minimum wage and states that did not.
  30 June, 2021

- Racial wage gaps are large and expanding, primarily due to a growing underrepresentation of Black workers in high-paying jobs.
  23 June, 2021

- The number of office and administrative workers, the major target of automation in recent decades, is back to pre-pandemic levels.
  In the past two recessions, their number dropped and did not recover.
  16 June, 2021

- The percentage of young men without a bachelor’s degree that are living at home is growing. This trend is contributing to a lower labor force participation.
  26 May, 2021

- The US working-age population is projected to grow slowly over the next decades due to aging, limiting the supply of labor unless net migration picks up significantly.
  26 May, 2021

- Leisure and hospitality workers experienced significant growth in average hourly earnings in the past three months. The rapid reopening of this sector and labor shortages are driving up wages.
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- Blue-collar industries are experiencing greater recruiting difficulties than other industries.
  25 May, 2021

- The US working-age population for those without a BA is shrinking, but projected to grow rapidly for those with at least a BA.
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- In recent years, wages are growing faster for blue-collar and manual service workers, reversing the trend of the last 30 years.
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- Most organizations have reduced workforce costs and many plan to take still more steps in the next 3 months (May through July 2020)
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- While three-quarters of respondents reported that less than 10% of employees worked primarily from home before COVID-19, this trend will likely reverse after COVID-19
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