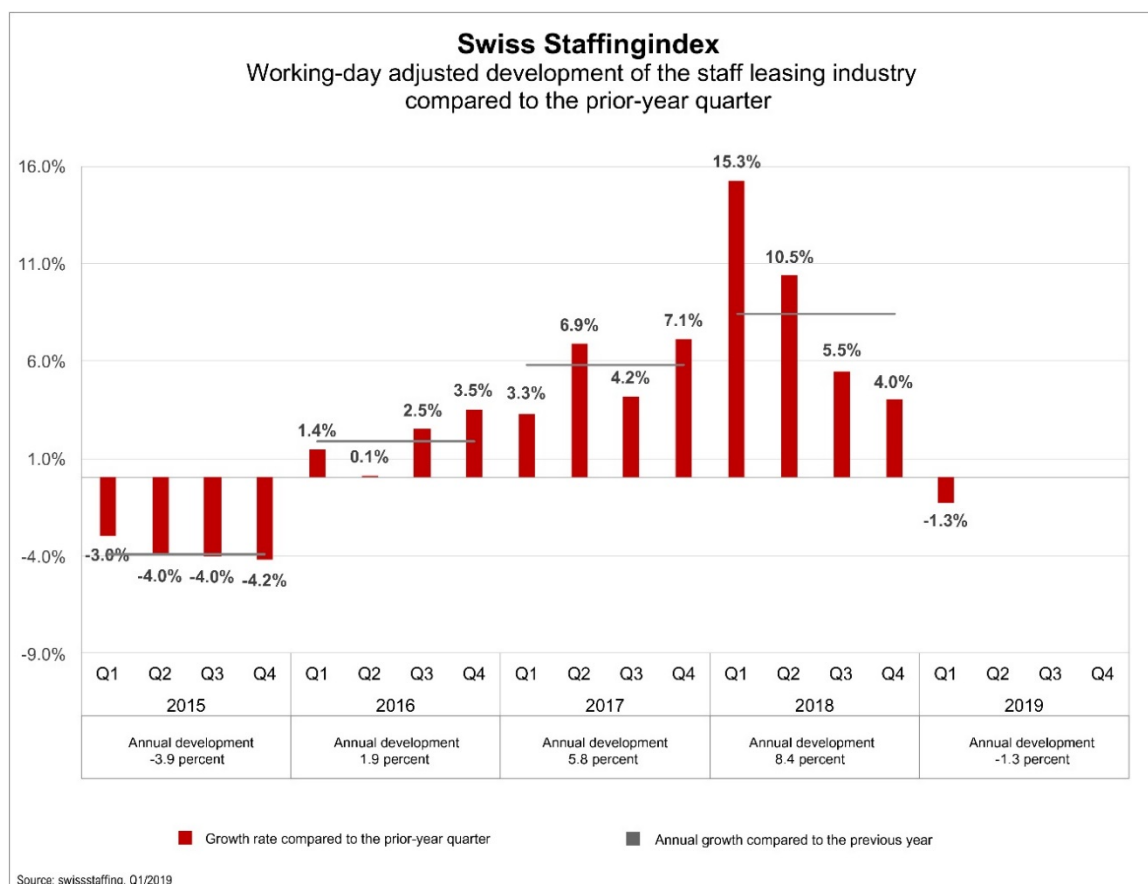


## Staff Leasing Sector Drops 1.3%

According to the Swiss Staffingindex, the staff leasing sector saw a drop in the first quarter of 2019. The number of working hours rendered fell by 1.3% compared with the same quarter in the previous year. This decrease in business activity is due to the fact that Switzerland is at a late stage of its growth cycle: firstly, demand for new staff is falling as a result of declining incoming orders, and secondly, companies are converting existing temporary positions into permanent ones.



## Bridging Function Still Important Across All Economic Phases

One in two temporary workers seeking permanent employment found their desired position within 24 months of beginning temporary employment. This was ascertained by a new survey of temporary workers undertaken by gfs-zürich on behalf of swissstaffing. Even in times of economic difficulty, the flexibility of staff leasing and the support of a staff leasing provider helps workers to quickly find their way back into

working life and obtain a permanent position. Further findings of this survey can be seen in the recent white paper “Temporary Work between Labor Market Integration and the Skills Shortage”, published in April 2019.

→ **Further Information:**

The next page shows the index’s key data and the development of the underlying index values. More statistics and the white paper can be found at [this link](#).

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<b>Swiss Staffing Index key data</b>	
Staff leasing companies included	200 companies
Working hours recorded per year	76 million
Market coverage	42%
Frequency of publication	Quarterly
Data collection	Monthly
Next provisional publication date	29 July 2019

Source: swissstaffing, Q1/2019

#### **Overview of the development of the Swiss Staffingindex, basis: Q1 2012**

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Q1</b>	100	104.1	114.3	110.9	112.4	116.1	133.9	132.2
<b>Q2</b>	136.3	144.3	148.9	143.0	143.1	153.0	169.1	
<b>Q3</b>	153.8	159.9	160.9	154.4	158.3	165.0	174.0	
<b>Q4</b>	138.2	147.5	145.7	139.6	144.5	154.7	160.9	

Source: swissstaffing, Q1/2019

**swissstaffing** is a service centre and centre of excellence for staff leasing companies in Switzerland. As an employers' association, swissstaffing represents the interests of its 400 members in matters of policy, the economy and society. swissstaffing is a social partner of CBA Staff Leasing, the contract covering the majority of Switzerland's employees.

#### **Studies on temporary workers and recruitment agencies in Switzerland**

The market research institute gfs-Zürich completes regular surveys on behalf of swissstaffing. The current studies can be found by clicking on [this link](#).