



Employment Works!

exceptional recruitment solutions



Statistics New Zealand Labour Force Survey:

- ★ The latest HLFS showed that the unemployment rate remained at 6.5 percent for the June 2011 quarter.
- ★ For the June 2011 year, the number of people employed increased by 42,700 (2.0 percent). This is the largest percentage increase since December 2007.
- ★ The trend series shows little change in the number of unemployed for the June 2011 quarter, down 2,000 (1.0 percent).
- ★ The number of under-employed people (employed people working part-time who would prefer to work more) a measure of under-utilised labour in the economy. Over the June 2011 year the number of underemployed increased by 9,100 (8.9 %).
- ★ Over the next year we expect the labour market will continue to recover.

Spring 2011 E Newsletter

"Science has never drummed up quite as effective a tranquilizing agent as a sunny spring day." W Earl Hall

Great new contract for the team!

We are happy to announce that Employment Works! have secured a new Employment Placement Service contract with Work and Income.

This sees us expand **out of the Health arena and into mainstream employment services** which we are all really excited about.

We are supporting job seekers based in West Auckland and on the North Shore into full time work around Auckland now.

This added pool of job seekers also offers employers more opportunities to access our free recruitment and support services, so **don't hesitate call us today with your recruitment needs!**

As a result of our increased job seeker numbers we have recently welcomed 4 extra employment specialists bringing us to a total of 10. They bring a wide range of fantastic skills and experience to their roles and their work is already showing some great results.



★ **Dates to remember:** Mental Health Awareness Week
10th-18th October for details of events check our website.

Ministry of Social Development -Mainstream Employment Programme improvements

As you may already know, this Programme provides subsidies, and other support to help people with disabilities get work in the State sector. By taking part in the Programme, employers are tapping into the benefits of employing someone with a disability and future-proofing their workforce.

The programme has now added extra funding and opportunities

- The program was previously funded at 100% of wages for the first year and 50% for the second, however **this has recently been increased to 80%** in the second year of the 2 year contract, making it more affordable than ever!
- This will empower employers even further to feel confident about giving work opportunities to people with disabilities.
- In a pilot scheme they are also offering 20 placements (Auckland wide) with private sector employers, so if your business employs 30 + staff and needs more help and you have been considering employing someone with a disability, **contact us now before these placements are snapped up, interest is keen!**