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THE LABOR MARKET AS A MIRAGE: THE DISCONNECT BETWEEN HEADLINE FIGURES AND LIVED EXPERIENCE

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Abstract: Post pandemic labor markets have changed for the job seeker since the "Great Resignation", a period during 2021 and 2022 which saw many workers quitting their jobs at unprecedented rates. Currently, we are experiencing a seemingly healthy labor market - perhaps even a tight one. Despite headline figures, several surveys given over the last two years suggest that job seekers are finding it increasingly difficult to find employment. This presentation dives deeper into some of the headline figures commonly referred to in the media and seeks to uncover possible reasons for this perceived disconnect.