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Manufacturing



- Job growth projected in 2018 (see graph to left).
- Job growth has been sustained over majority of manufacturing sectors. 11 of 18 reported month over month growth in December, the 15th consecutive month of manufacturing employment expansion.
- And, there is unprecedented optimism from manufacturers in [latest NAM survey](#).

Workforce Automation

Projections on effect of automation on workforce trends vary widely. [Latest McKinsey research](#) indicates primary effect will be felt on ‘tasks’, rather than complete jobs.



Labor Force Participation will continue to be a challenge. Clear trend downward in labor participation rate will continue into 2018 (see chart to left), and even further down to 61% over the next 10 years (*Congressional Budget Office*)