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Comment on the Latest Labour Market Statistics

Commenting on the labour market statistics published today, Shona Struthers, Chief Executive of Colleges Scotland, said:

“It is encouraging to see the rate of youth employment increase over the past year, with Scotland having the fourth lowest rate of youth unemployment in the EU.

“The contribution of the college sector is crucial in supporting Scotland’s labour market and ensuring that people have the right skills and training to succeed in the workplace. Over a third of working age students study as part of their occupation, and over 80 per cent of college leavers go on to positive destinations.

“One of our priorities is ensuring that students are work-ready and able to meet the challenges of the employment market. That means an ongoing commitment to enhancing engagement with employers – which happens across the country with colleges supporting the economic needs of their regions.”

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