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Comment on the Latest Labour Market Stats

Commenting on the labour market statistics published today – showing a record rate of employment in Scotland of 75.8 per cent – Shona Struthers, Chief Executive of Colleges Scotland, said:

“Scotland’s college sector makes a crucial contribution to supporting the labour market, and ensuring that students of all ages have the right opportunities for technical and professional development, providing the appropriate skills for employers. College education helps to boost the quality as well as quantity of employment, with 97 per cent of all learning hours leading to a recognised qualification.

“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 right across the country, with colleges supporting the economic needs of their regions.”

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