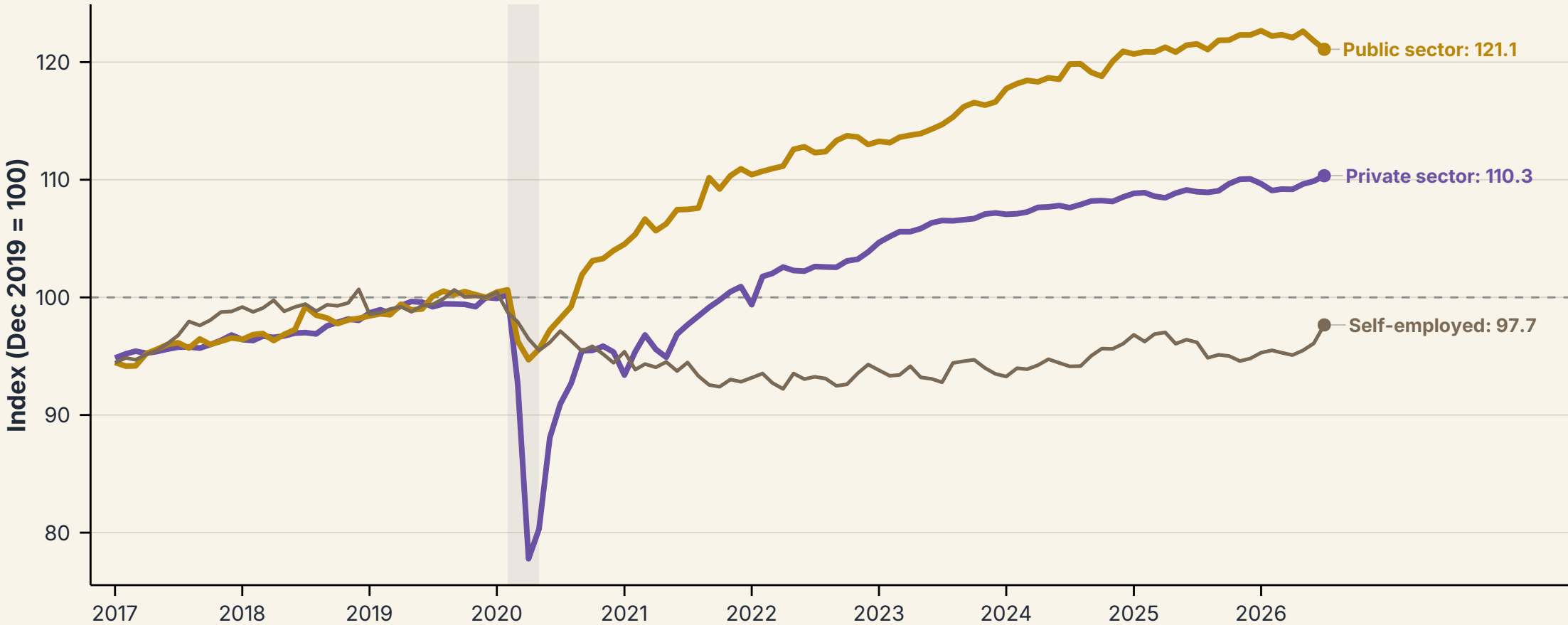


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Notes: Public sector here is everyone paid from public funds - all three levels of government plus public schools, universities, hospitals and Crown corporations - so most of the health and education workforce sits in it. Private sector is employees of private firms; the self-employed are counted separately. Seasonally adjusted. Shaded: recessions (C.D. Howe Business Cycle Council).
Source: Statistics Canada, Table 14-10-0288 (vectors v2066969, v2066970, v2066971). Released 07 Aug 2026. Retrieved 27 Aug 2026.
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