Internet job vacancy report

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The Commonwealth Jobs and Skills Australia (JSA) Vacancy Report is based on a count of newly lodged online job advertisements in January 2025 on Seek, CareerOne, and Workforce Australia. Unless stated otherwise, all data are reported in trend terms.

Internet vacancies (trend)	NT	Aust
Monthly change	1 0.5%	1 0.5%
Year-ended change	↓ 3.1%	+ 11.9%

Northern Territory (trend)

Jobs advertised in the Territory increased by 0.5% in January 2025. The largest increases were in the categories of 'labourers' (up by 2.2%) and 'machinery operators and drivers' (up by 1.0%), while the largest declines were in the categories of 'managers' (down by 0.6%) and 'community and personal services' (down by 0.5%) (Chart 1).

The Territory reported the second largest increase of the jurisdictions, which ranged from a decline of 2.7% in Tasmania to an increase of 0.9% in South Australia. Nationally, the number of new jobs advertised increased by 0.5%.

Jobs advertised in the Territory declined by 3.1% over the year to January 2025. The largest declines were in the categories of 'managers' (down by 18.3%) and 'machinery operators and drivers' (down by 8.0%), while the largest increases were in the categories of 'labourers' (up by 15.4%) and 'sales' (up by 4.9%).

The Territory reported the smallest decline of the jurisdictions, which otherwise ranged from a decline of 19.5% in the Australian Capital Territory to a decline of 3.7% in South Australia. Nationally, the number of vacancies declined by 11.9% (Chart 2).

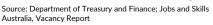
Northern Territory Regions (original)

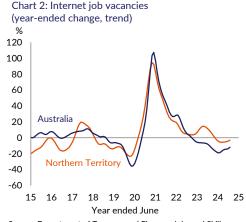
JSA reports regional jobs advertised data in original terms, and as a three month moving average, though seasonal variations remain.

Over the year to January 2025, jobs advertised in the Darwin region declined by 2.7% (Chart 3), with 'managers' (down by 20.2%) and 'technicians and trades workers' (down by 10.1%) reporting the largest declines.

Over the year to January 2025, jobs advertised across regional Northern Territory declined by 6.1%, with 'machinery operators and drivers' (down by 17.0%) and 'managers' (down by 12.9%) reporting the largest declines. Chart 1: Internet job vacancies by industry (change, trend)

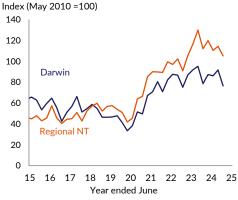






Source: Department of Treasury and Finance; Jobs and Skills Australia, Vacancy Report

Chart 3: Quarterly regional job vacancies index (three month average, original)



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Table 1: Internet job vacancy report

		Period		Ch	ange
	Jan 24	Dec 24	Jan 25	Monthly ¹	Year-ended ²
Northern Territory					
Index (Jan 2006 = 100)					
Trend	136.7	131.8	132.5	0.5%	-3.1%
– managers	188.1	154.5	153.6	-0.6%	-18.3%
– professionals	309.7	296.3	296.8	0.2%	-4.2%
- technicians and trades	116.1	112.1	113.0	0.8%	-2.7%
 community and personal services 	151.1	143.8	143.1	-0.5%	-5.3%
 clerical and administrative 	130.3	132.6	132.5	-0.1%	1.7%
– sales	75.8	78.9	79.5	0.8%	4.9%
 machinery operators and drivers 	110.6	100.7	101.7	1.0%	-8.0%
- labourers	40.8	46.1	47.1	2.2%	15.4%
Northern Territory regions					
Index (May 2010 = 100)					
Original					
– Darwin*	78.6	78.0	76.5	n.p.	-2.7%
– Regional NT*	112.0	107.1	105.2	n.p	-6.1%
Australia					
Index (Jan 2006 = 100)					
Trend	118.2	103.6	104.1	0.5%	-11.9%
- managers	139.6	127.7	128.1	0.3%	-8.2%
– professionals	155.6	132.2	131.5	-0.5%	-15.5%
 technicians and trades 	141.9	127.8	128.5	0.5%	-9.4%
 community and personal services 	219.0	177.3	172.6	-2.7%	-21.2%
- clerical and administrative	92.6	81.1	82.1	1.2%	-11.3%
– sales	80.7	74.3	74.8	0.7%	-7.3%
– machinery operators and drivers	102.9	98.6	99.5	0.9%	-3.3%
– labourers	51.8	48.8	48.7	-0.2%	-6.0%

n.p.: not published

1 Compares the latest month with the previous month.

2 Compares the latest month with the same month last year.

* Three month moving average.

Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Job Vacancy Report.

Term	Definition
Monthly change	Compares the latest month with the previous month
Year-ended change	Compares the latest month with the same month last year
Trend	A trend series is a seasonally adjusted series that has been further adjusted to remove irregular effects and 'smooth' out the series to show the overall 'trend' of the data over time.

The Department of Treasury and Finance has updated the terminology used in the economic brief publications when referencing growth. The table below outlines the changes to terminology. This is a terminology update only and does not impact the definition or growth calculation.

Updated terminology	Prior terminology
Year-ended change	Annual change

Caution is advised when using monthly data for the Territory, as it is often derived from small samples and can be highly volatile. Although due care has been exercised in preparing this material, no responsibility is accepted for any errors or omission.

JSA advises the sum of the categories in trend terms may not equal the reported total due to the methodology behind the trend data series.

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