Internet jobs vacancy report

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The Commonwealth Department of Education, Skills and Employment's (DESE) Vacancy Report is based on a count of newly lodged online job advertisements on a variety of job search websites. Unless stated otherwise, all data are reported in trend terms.

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

Internet vacancies (trend)	NT	Aust
Monthly change	1 0.5%	1 .4%
Annual change	1 27.2%	1 36.6%

Monthly change

In January 2022, the number of internet job vacancies in the Territory increased by 0.5% to 2,845. Growth was recorded in all categories with 'sales' (up by 3.0%) and 'managers' (up by 1.5%) recording the largest increases (Chart 1).

The Territory reported the second lowest result of the jurisdictions. All jurisdictions reported increases, with the results ranging from a 0.3% increase in South Australia to a 4.0% increase in Western Australia. Nationally, the number of job vacancies increased by 1.4% to 259,067.

Annual change

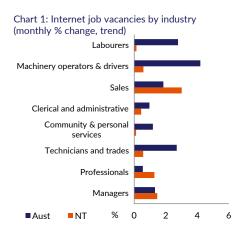
In annual terms, the number of job vacancies in the Territory increased by 27.2%. The largest increases were in the categories of 'sales' (up by 49.0%) and 'clerical and administrative' (up by 42.9%). The Territory reported the third lowest increase of the jurisdictions, which ranged from a 12.4% increase in the Australian Capital Territory to a 43.5% increase in Victoria. Nationally, the number of vacancies increased by 36.6% (Chart 2).

Regional vacancies (original)

DESE only reports regional vacancy data in original terms, which can be volatile on a month-to-month basis. The Department of Treasury and Finance aggregates the data to quarters to smooth some of this volatility, though seasonal variations will remain.

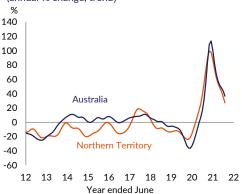
In January 2022, the number of job vacancies in the Darwin region decreased by 2.2% to 1,839 (compared with December 2021) (Chart 3), with 'labourers' (down by 9.6%) and 'machinery operators and drivers' (down by 5.3%) reporting the largest decreases. In annual terms, Darwin job vacancies increased by 64.9%.

The number of vacancies across regional Northern Territory decreased by 1.8% to 805, with the 'technicians and trades workers' (down by 10.0%) reporting the largest decrease. In annual terms, the number of regional job vacancies increased by 70.8%.



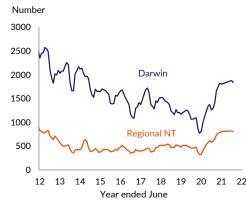
Source: Department of Treasury and Finance; Department of Education, Skills and Employment, Internet Vacancy Report

Chart 2: Internet job vacancies (annual % change, trend)



Source: Department of Treasury and Finance; Department of Education, Skills and Employment, Internet Vacancy Report

Chart 3: Regional job vacancies (3 month moving average, original)



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Table 1: Internet jobs vacancy report

		Period		Change	
	Jan 21	Dec 21	Jan 22	Monthly ¹	Annual ²
Northern Territory					
Number					
Trend	2 236	2 830	2 845	0.5%	27.2%
- managers	237	306	310	1.5%	30.8%
- professionals	590	762	772	1.3%	30.8%
– technicians and trades	398	484	487	0.6%	22.3%
– community and personal services	244	274	275	0.1%	12.7%
 clerical and administrative 	289	410	412	0.4%	42.9%
– sales	139	201	207	3.0%	49.0%
– machinery operators and drivers	163	181	182	0.6%	11.4%
– labourers	174	218	218	0.1%	25.4%
Northern Territory regions Number					
Original					
- Darwin*	1 115	1 880	1 839	-2.2%	64.9%
- Regional NT*	471	820	805	-1.8%	70.8%
Australia					
Number					
Trend	189 677	255 457	259 067	1.4%	36.6%
– managers	19 806	27 284	27 645	1.3%	39.6%
– professionals	55 312	70 949	71 340	0.6%	29.0%
- technicians and trades	27 889	34 414	35 344	2.7%	26.7%
- community and personal services	20 065	26 616	26 931	1.2%	34.2%
- clerical and administrative	27 966	39 044	39 422	1.0%	41.0%
– sales	15 044	20 883	21 270	1.9%	41.4%
- machinery operators and drivers	10 669	13 933	14 517	4.2%	36.1%
- labourers	14 855	21 680	22 282	2.8%	50.0%

¹ Compares the latest month with the previous month.

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.

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

^{*} Three month moving average.

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