

Internet jobs vacancy report

March 2022 | Economic brief

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	↑2.1%	↑2.7%
Annual change	↑19.4%	↑25.5%

Monthly change

In March 2022, the number of internet job vacancies in the Territory increased by 2.1% to 3,007. The largest increases were in the categories of 'machinery operators and drivers' (up by 3.1%) and 'community and personal services' (up by 2.7%), with demand for all categories increasing, except 'labourers' (down by 0.9%) (Chart 1).

The Territory reported the third lowest increase, with results in other jurisdictions ranging from a 1.9% increase in Western Australia to a 4.5% increase in the Australian Capital Territory. Nationally, the number of job vacancies increased by 2.7% to 277,497.

Annual change

In annual terms, the number of job vacancies in the Territory increased by 19.4%. The largest increases were in the categories of 'sales' (up by 37.3%) and 'professionals' (up by 27.4%). The Territory reported the second smallest increase of the jurisdictions, which ranged from a 19.1% increase in the Australian Capital Territory to a 29.3% increase in Victoria. Nationally, the number of vacancies increased by 25.5% (Chart 2).

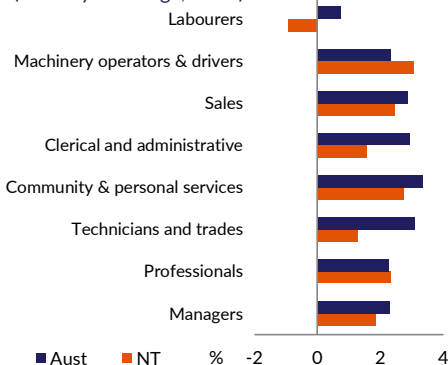
Regional vacancies (original)

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 March 2022, the number of job vacancies in the Darwin region increased by 17.5% to 2,110 (compared with February 2022) (Chart 3), with 'machinery operators and drivers' (up by 28.3%) and 'community and personal service workers' (up by 22.1%) reporting the largest increases. In annual terms, Darwin job vacancies increased by 27.1%.

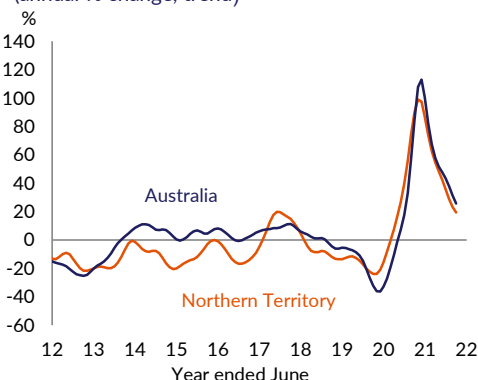
The number of vacancies across regional Northern Territory in the month increased by 12.4% to 872, with 'clerical and administrative workers' (up by 20.0%) and 'machinery operators and drivers' (up by 17.1%) reporting the largest increases. In annual terms, the number of regional job vacancies increased by 19.0%.

Chart 1: Internet job vacancies by industry (monthly % change, trend)



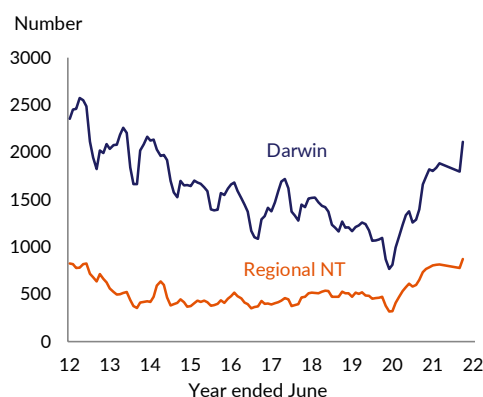
Source: Department of Treasury and Finance; Department of Education, Skills and Employment, Internet Vacancy Report

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



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

Table 1: Internet jobs vacancy report

	Period			Change	
	Mar 21	Feb 22	Mar 22	Monthly ¹	Annual ²
Northern Territory					
Number					
Trend	2 518	2 945	3 007	2.1%	19.4%
- managers	283	316	322	1.8%	13.5%
- professionals	634	790	808	2.3%	27.4%
- technicians and trades	448	490	496	1.3%	10.8%
- community and personal services	265	299	307	2.7%	16.0%
- clerical and administrative	336	421	427	1.6%	27.3%
- sales	158	212	217	2.5%	37.3%
- machinery operators and drivers	185	188	194	3.1%	4.8%
- labourers	200	214	212	-0.9%	6.2%
Northern Territory regions					
Number					
Original					
- Darwin*	1 661	1 795	2 110	17.5%	27.1%
- Regional NT*	733	776	872	12.4%	19.0%
Australia					
Number					
Trend	221 146	270 084	277 497	2.7%	25.5%
- managers	23 366	28 715	29 375	2.3%	25.7%
- professionals	63 067	73 969	75 631	2.2%	19.9%
- technicians and trades	32 292	37 164	38 311	3.1%	18.6%
- community and personal services	23 043	29 766	30 762	3.3%	33.5%
- clerical and administrative	33 215	41 488	42 696	2.9%	28.5%
- sales	17 078	22 213	22 851	2.9%	33.8%
- machinery operators and drivers	11 967	14 925	15 271	2.3%	27.6%
- labourers	17 423	22 519	22 686	0.7%	30.2%

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: Department of Education, Skills and Employment, Internet Vacancy Report.

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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