

Internet job vacancy report

December 2022 | Economic brief

The Commonwealth Jobs and Skills Australia (JSA) 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.

Internet vacancies (trend)	NT	Aust
Monthly change	↑ 1.2%	↓ 0.3%
Annual change	↑ 5.1%	↑ 5.3%

Monthly change

In December 2022, the number of internet job vacancies in the Territory increased by 1.2% to 3,024. The largest increases were in the categories of 'community and personal services' (up by 3.4%) and 'professionals' (up by 2.0%), while the largest decreases were in the categories of 'machinery operators and drivers' (down by 1.8%) and 'labourers' (down by 1.5%) (Chart 1).

The Territory reported the largest increase of the jurisdictions, which otherwise ranged from a decrease of 2.1% in Victoria to an increase of 0.2% in Western Australia. Nationally, the number of job vacancies decreased by 0.3% to 274,827.

Annual change

In annual terms, the number of job vacancies in the Territory increased by 5.1%. The largest increases were in the categories of 'community and personal services' (up by 20.1%) and 'professionals' (up by 16.9%), while the largest decreases were in the categories of 'labourers' (down by 12.5%) and 'clerical and administrative' (down by 6.8%). The Territory reported the third smallest increase of the jurisdictions, which ranged from an increase of 2.0% in New South Wales to an increase of 14.5% in Queensland. Nationally, the number of vacancies increased by 5.3% (Chart 2).

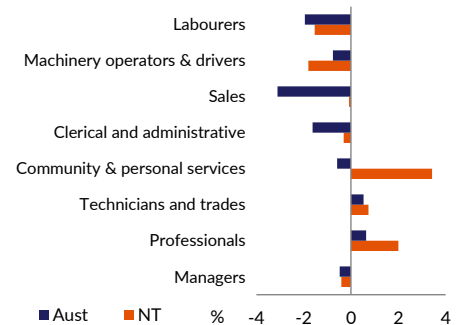
Regional vacancies (original)

JSA 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 a three month moving average to smooth some of this volatility, though seasonal variations will remain.

In December 2022, the number of job vacancies in the Darwin region decreased by 10.7% to 1,944 (compared with November 2022) (Chart 3), with 'sales workers' (down by 17.8%) and 'labourers' (down by 16.0%) reporting the largest decreases. In annual terms, Darwin job vacancies increased by 3.4%.

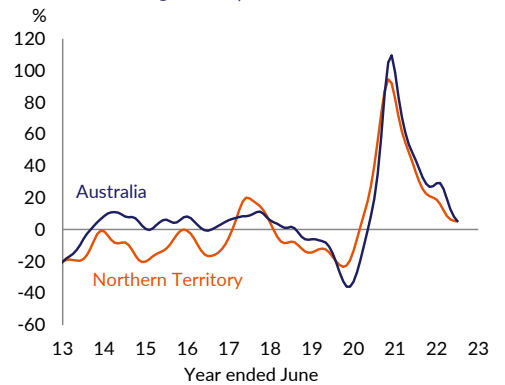
The number of vacancies across regional Northern Territory in the month decreased by 9.4% to 805, with 'clerical and administrative workers' (down by -17.5%) reporting the largest decrease. In annual terms, the number of regional job vacancies decreased by 1.7%.

Chart 1: Internet job vacancies by industry



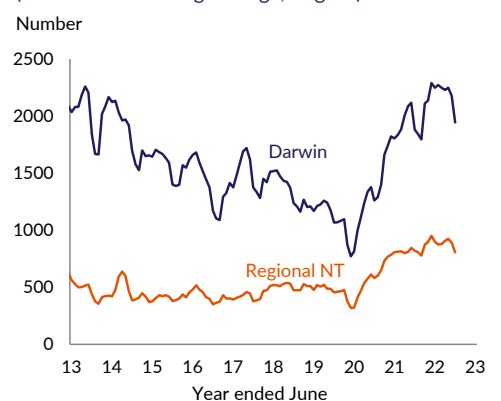
Source: Department of Treasury and Finance; Jobs and Skills Australia, Vacancy Report

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



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

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



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

Table 1: Internet job vacancy report

	Period			Change	
	Dec 21	Nov 22	Dec 22	Monthly ¹	Annual ²
Northern Territory					
Number					
Trend	2 878	2 989	3 024	1.2%	5.1%
- managers	314	337	336	-0.4%	7.0%
- professionals	765	876	894	2.0%	16.9%
- technicians and trades	486	466	470	0.7%	-3.3%
- community and personal services	289	336	347	3.4%	20.1%
- clerical and administrative	417	390	389	-0.3%	-6.8%
- sales	207	198	198	-0.1%	-4.1%
- machinery operators and drivers	182	181	177	-1.8%	-2.3%
- labourers	221	196	193	-1.5%	-12.5%
Northern Territory regions					
Number					
Original					
- Darwin*	1 880	2 177	1 944	-10.7%	3.4%
- Regional NT*	820	889	805	-9.4%	-1.7%
Australia					
Number					
Trend	260 887	275 786	274 827	-0.3%	5.3%
- managers	27 774	30 343	30 198	-0.5%	8.7%
- professionals	71 970	78 967	79 473	0.6%	10.4%
- technicians and trades	35 248	36 214	36 404	0.5%	3.3%
- community and personal services	28 081	31 824	31 636	-0.6%	12.7%
- clerical and administrative	40 010	42 809	42 111	-1.6%	5.3%
- sales	21 424	21 435	20 770	-3.1%	-3.1%
- machinery operators and drivers	14 092	14 563	14 453	-0.8%	2.6%
- labourers	22 135	20 333	19 937	-1.9%	-9.9%

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, 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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