

# Internet job vacancy report

May 2023 | 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	↑ 2.2%	↑ 0.4%
Annual change	↑ 7.3%	↓ 3.4%

## Monthly change

In May 2023, the number of internet job vacancies in the Territory increased by 2.2% to 3,344. The largest increases were in the categories of 'clerical and administrative' (up by 3.8%) and 'professionals' (up by 3.2%), while the largest decrease was in 'labourers' (down by 0.9%) (Chart 1).

The Territory reported the largest increase of the jurisdictions, which otherwise ranged from an increase of 0.2% in New South Wales to an increase of 1.8% in Tasmania. Nationally, the number of job vacancies increased by 0.4% to 286,560.

## Annual change

In annual terms, the number of job vacancies in the Territory increased by 7.3%. The largest increases were in the categories of 'professionals' (up by 24.1%) and 'managers' (up by 10.0%), while the largest decreases were in the categories of 'labourers' (down by 12.9%) and 'sales' (down by 12.7%). The Territory reported the second largest increase of the jurisdictions, which ranged from a decrease of 8.6% in New South Wales to an increase of 13.0% in Tasmania. Nationally, the number of vacancies decreased by 3.4% (Chart 2).

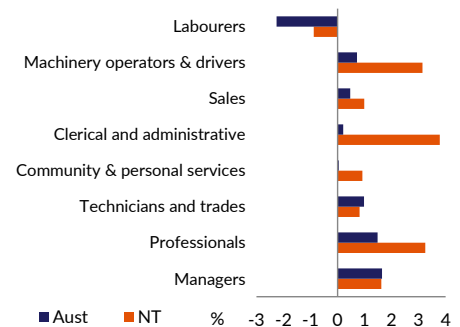
## Regional vacancies (original)

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 May 2023, the number of job vacancies in the Darwin region increased by 2.7% to 2,315 (compared with April 2023) (Chart 3), with 'machinery operators and drivers' (up by 15.5%) and 'labourers' (up by 4.4%) reporting the largest increases. In annual terms, Darwin job vacancies increased by 1.2%.

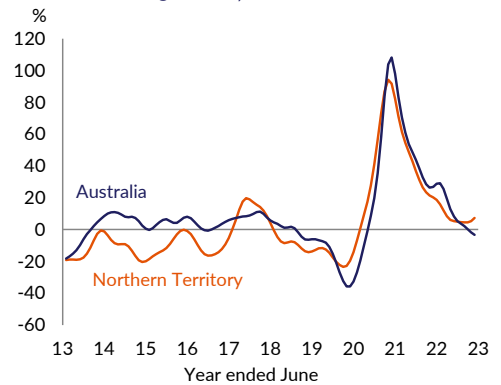
The number of vacancies across regional Northern Territory in the month increased by 3.7% to 986, with 'sales workers' (up by 22.5%) and 'labourers' (up by 13.4%) reporting the largest increases. In annual terms, the number of regional job vacancies increased by 3.8%.

Chart 1: Internet job vacancies by industry



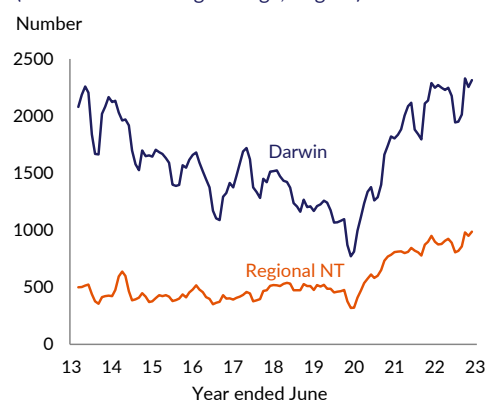
Source: Department of Treasury and Finance; Jobs and Skills Australia, Vacancy Report

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	
	May 22	Apr 23	May 23	Monthly <sup>1</sup>	Annual <sup>2</sup>
<b>Northern Territory</b>					
<b>Number</b>					
Trend	3 117	3 272	3 344	2.2%	7.3%
- managers	345	374	380	1.6%	10.0%
- professionals	832	1 000	1 032	3.2%	24.1%
- technicians and trades	500	487	491	0.8%	-1.6%
- community and personal services	327	352	355	0.9%	8.7%
- clerical and administrative	435	449	467	3.8%	7.2%
- sales	226	195	197	1.0%	-12.7%
- machinery operators and drivers	205	194	200	3.1%	-2.7%
- labourers	226	198	197	-0.9%	-12.9%
<b>Northern Territory regions</b>					
<b>Number</b>					
Original					
- Darwin*	2 288	2 254	2 315	2.7%	1.2%
- Regional NT*	950	950	986	3.7%	3.8%
<b>Australia</b>					
<b>Number</b>					
Trend	296 603	285 368	286 560	0.4%	-3.4%
- managers	31 449	32 254	32 785	1.6%	4.2%
- professionals	79 376	84 075	85 323	1.5%	7.5%
- technicians and trades	39 870	38 775	39 156	1.0%	-1.8%
- community and personal services	34 118	31 548	31 563	0.0%	-7.5%
- clerical and administrative	46 361	43 366	43 457	0.2%	-6.3%
- sales	24 566	20 869	20 968	0.5%	-14.6%
- machinery operators and drivers	15 875	15 414	15 525	0.7%	-2.2%
- labourers	24 693	18 961	18 532	-2.3%	-24.9%

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.

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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