

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 February 2025 on Seek, CareerOne, and Workforce Australia. Unless stated otherwise, all data are reported in trend terms.

Internet vacancies (trend)	NT	Aust
Monthly change	↓0.9%	↓2.2%
Year-ended change	↓7.7%	↓16.1%

Northern Territory (trend)

Jobs advertised in the Territory declined by 0.9% in February 2025. The largest declines were in the categories of 'community and personal services' (down by 2.7%) and 'labourers' (down by 1.2%), while the largest increases were in the categories of 'machinery operators and drivers' (up by 0.9%) and 'technicians and trades' (up by 0.8%) (Chart 1).

The Territory reported the second smallest decline of the jurisdictions, which ranged from a decline of 4.1% in Tasmania to a decline of 0.8% in Western Australia. Nationally, the number of new jobs advertised declined by 2.2%.

Jobs advertised in the Territory declined by 7.7% over the year to February 2025. The largest declines were in the categories of 'managers' (down by 17.3%) and 'community and personal services' (down by 14.5%), while the largest increases were in the categories of 'labourers' (up by 4.9%) and 'sales' (up by 4.1%).

The Territory reported the smallest decline of the jurisdictions, which otherwise ranged from a decline of 25.4% in Tasmania to a decline of 9.5% in Queensland. Nationally, the number of vacancies declined by 16.1% (Chart 2).

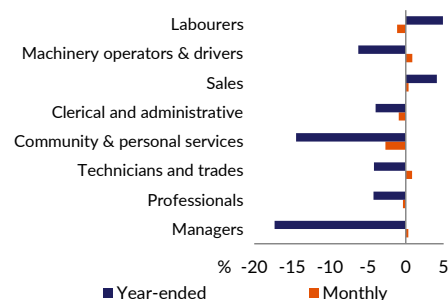
Regional vacancies (original)

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

Over the year to February 2025, jobs advertised in the Darwin region declined by 5.2% (Chart 3), with 'managers' (down by 26.2%) and 'community and personal service workers' (down by 14.8%) reporting the largest declines.

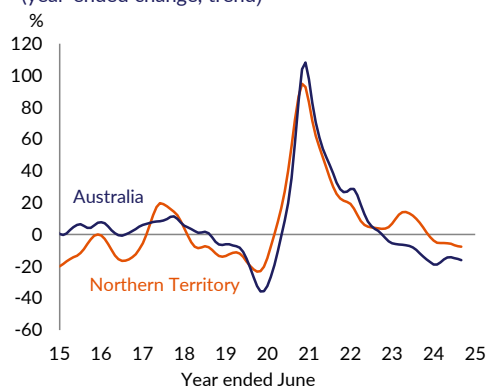
Over the year to February 2025, jobs advertised across regional Northern Territory declined by 10.0%, with 'machinery operators and drivers' (down by 28.0%) and 'technicians and trades workers' (down by 17.5%) reporting the largest declines.

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



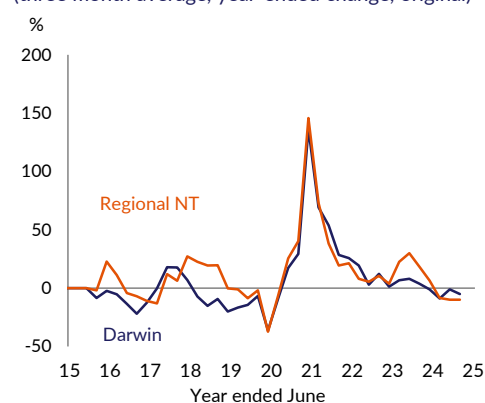
Source: Department of Treasury and Finance; Jobs and Skills Australia, Vacancy Report

Chart 2: Internet job vacancies (year-ended change, trend)



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

Chart 3: Quarterly regional job vacancies (three month average, year-ended change, original)



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Table 1: Internet job vacancy report

	Period			Change	
	Feb 24	Jan 25	Feb 25	Monthly ¹	Year-ended ²
Northern Territory					
Index (Jan 2006 = 100)					
Trend	135.9	126.6	125.5	-0.9%	-7.7%
- managers	185.3	152.7	153.2	0.3%	-17.3%
- professionals	303.6	291.8	290.7	-0.4%	-4.2%
- technicians and trades	114.2	108.5	109.4	0.8%	-4.2%
- community and personal services	153.1	134.5	130.9	-2.7%	-14.5%
- clerical and administrative	132.6	128.5	127.3	-0.9%	-4.0%
- sales	75.7	78.5	78.8	0.4%	4.1%
- machinery operators and drivers	110.1	102.3	103.2	0.9%	-6.3%
- labourers	40.8	43.3	42.8	-1.2%	4.9%
Northern Territory regions					
Index (May 2010 = 100)					
Original					
- Darwin*	80.5	76.5	76.3	n.p.	-5.2%
- Regional NT*	112.7	105.2	101.4	n.p.	-10.0%
Australia					
Index (Jan 2006 = 100)					
Trend	116.2	99.7	97.5	-2.2%	-16.1%
- managers	138.4	120.1	118.0	-1.7%	-14.7%
- professionals	152.2	128.4	125.4	-2.3%	-17.6%
- technicians and trades	138.8	122.9	120.1	-2.3%	-13.5%
- community and personal services	216.4	167.4	161.2	-3.7%	-25.5%
- clerical and administrative	91.6	77.8	76.8	-1.3%	-16.2%
- sales	80.2	70.6	69.3	-1.8%	-13.6%
- machinery operators and drivers	101.5	93.6	92.8	-0.9%	-8.6%
- labourers	51.1	46.9	46.0	-1.9%	-10.0%

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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