

# 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 on a variety of job search websites. Unless stated otherwise, all data are reported in trend terms.

Internet vacancies (trend)	NT	Aust
Monthly change	↑0.2%	↓2.0%
Annual change	↑14.6%	↓6.6%

## Monthly change

In October 2023, the number of internet job vacancies in the Territory increased by 0.2% to 3,412. The largest increases were in the categories of 'managers' (up by 1.9%) and 'professionals' (up by 0.9%), while the largest decreases were in the categories of 'sales' (down by 2.9%) and 'technicians and trades' (down by 1.4%) (Chart 1).

The Territory reported the second largest increase of the jurisdictions, which ranged from a decrease of 3.7% in Victoria to an increase of 0.9% in Western Australia. Nationally, the number of job vacancies decreased by 2.0% to 264,237.

## Annual change

In annual terms, the number of job vacancies in the Territory increased by 14.6%. The largest increases were in the categories of 'professionals' (up by 39.7%) and 'managers' (up by 13.9%), while the largest decreases were in the categories of 'labourers' (down by 14.6%) and 'sales' (down by 10.7%). The Territory reported the largest increase of the jurisdictions, which otherwise ranged from a decrease of 13.0% in Victoria to an increase of 6.3% in Tasmania. Nationally, the number of vacancies decreased by 6.6% (Chart 2).

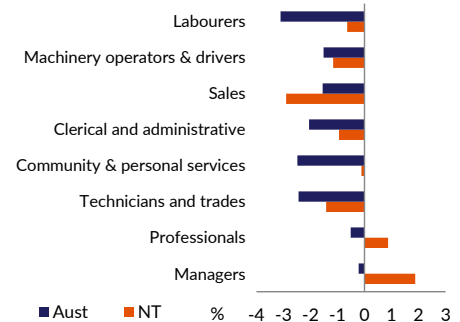
## Regional vacancies (original)

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 October 2023, the number of job vacancies in the Darwin region increased by 2.2% to 2,471 (compared with September 2023) (Chart 3), with 'managers' (up by 10.2%) and 'labourers' (up by 7.8%) reporting the largest increases. In annual terms, Darwin job vacancies increased by 10.0%.

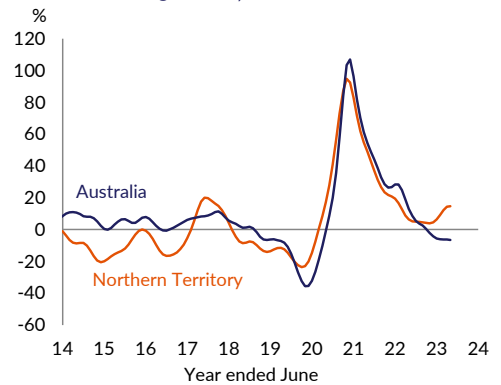
The number of vacancies across regional Northern Territory in the month increased by 5.5% to 1,171, with 'professionals' (up by 9.9%) and 'community and personal service workers' (up by 8.0%) reporting the largest increases. In annual terms, the number of regional job vacancies increased by 26.9%.

Chart 1: Internet job vacancies by industry



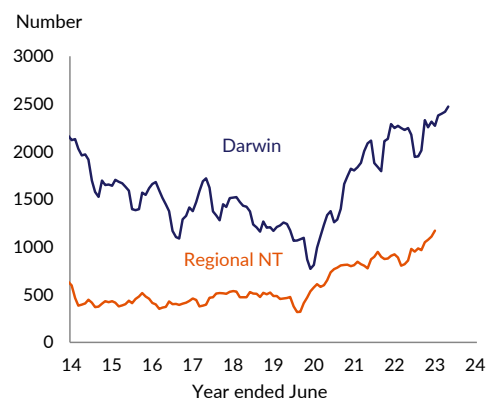
Source: Department of Treasury and Finance; Jobs and Skills Australia, Vacancy Report

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	
	Oct 22	Sep 23	Oct 23	Monthly <sup>1</sup>	Annual <sup>2</sup>
<b>Northern Territory</b>					
<b>Number</b>					
Trend	2 977	3 405	3 412	0.2%	14.6%
- managers	344	384	391	1.9%	13.9%
- professionals	851	1 179	1 189	0.9%	39.7%
- technicians and trades	468	468	461	-1.4%	-1.5%
- community and personal services	326	343	343	-0.1%	5.0%
- clerical and administrative	397	449	445	-0.9%	11.9%
- sales	197	182	176	-2.9%	-10.7%
- machinery operators and drivers	184	205	203	-1.2%	10.4%
- labourers	203	174	173	-0.6%	-14.6%
<b>Northern Territory regions</b>					
<b>Number</b>					
Original					
- Darwin*	2 247	2 418	2 471	2.2%	10.0%
- Regional NT*	923	1 110	1 171	5.5%	26.9%
<b>Australia</b>					
<b>Number</b>					
Trend	282 907	269 753	264 237	-2.0%	-6.6%
- managers	31 001	30 789	30 723	-0.2%	-0.9%
- professionals	79 269	81 764	81 345	-0.5%	2.6%
- technicians and trades	37 066	37 047	36 142	-2.4%	-2.5%
- community and personal services	32 460	29 285	28 557	-2.5%	-12.0%
- clerical and administrative	44 401	40 619	39 785	-2.1%	-10.4%
- sales	22 325	20 092	19 780	-1.6%	-11.4%
- machinery operators and drivers	15 191	14 125	13 911	-1.5%	-8.4%
- labourers	21 718	16 081	15 581	-3.1%	-28.3%

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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