

Internet job vacancy report

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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	↓ 1.4%	↓ 1.5%
Annual change	↑ 4.6%	↑ 14.7%

Monthly change

In October 2022, the number of internet job vacancies in the Territory decreased by 1.4% to 2,910. The largest decreases were in the categories of 'labourers' (down by 6.4%) and 'clerical and administrative' (down by 2.8%), while the category of 'managers' (up by 0.2%) reported the only increase (Chart 1).

The Territory reported the fourth largest decrease of the jurisdictions, which ranged from a decrease of 3.1% in Tasmania to an increase of 0.8% in the Australian Capital Territory and Queensland. Nationally, the number of job vacancies decreased by 1.5% to 285,535.

Annual change

In annual terms, the number of job vacancies in the Territory increased by 4.6%. The largest increases were in the categories of 'managers' (up by 14.7%) and 'community and personal services' (up by 13.7%), while the largest decreases were in the categories of 'labourers' (down by 15.8%) and 'technicians and trades' (down by 5.9%). The Territory reported the smallest increase of the jurisdictions, which otherwise ranged from an increase of 12.6% in New South Wales to an increase of 25.8% in Tasmania. Nationally, the number of vacancies increased by 14.7% (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 2022, the number of job vacancies in the Darwin region increased by 0.9% to 2,247 (compared with September 2022) (Chart 3), with 'machinery operators and drivers' (up by 7.5%) and 'sales workers' (up by 1.9%) reporting the largest increases. In annual terms, Darwin job vacancies increased by 7.7%.

The number of vacancies across regional Northern Territory in the month increased by 1.8% to 923, with 'managers' (up by 10.1%) and 'professionals' (up by 5.5%) reporting the largest increases. In annual terms, the number of regional job vacancies increased by 14.0%.

Chart 1: Internet job vacancies by industry

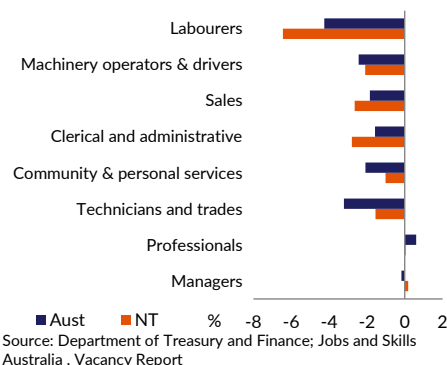


Chart 2: Internet job vacancies (annual % change, trend)

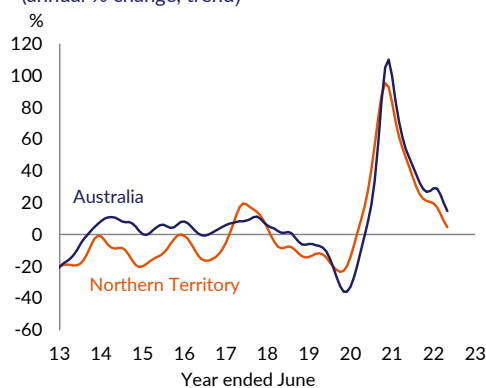


Chart 3: Regional job vacancies (three month moving average, original)

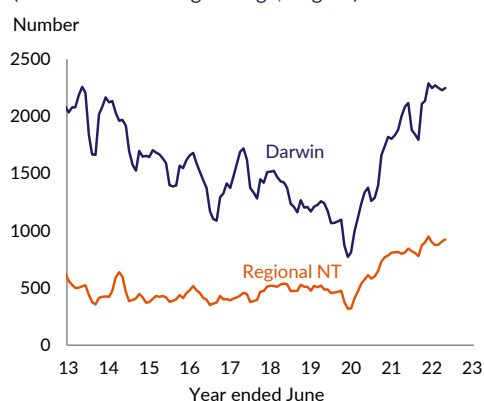


Table 1: Internet job vacancy report

	Period			Change	
	Oct 21	Sep 22	Oct 22	Monthly ¹	Annual ²
Northern Territory					
Number					
Trend	2 781	2 952	2 910	-1.4%	4.6%
- managers	299	343	344	0.2%	14.7%
- professionals	748	830	830	0.0%	11.0%
- technicians and trades	478	457	450	-1.6%	-5.9%
- community and personal services	274	315	312	-1.0%	13.7%
- clerical and administrative	401	402	391	-2.8%	-2.5%
- sales	191	205	200	-2.6%	5.0%
- machinery operators and drivers	182	196	192	-2.1%	5.7%
- labourers	216	195	182	-6.4%	-15.8%
Northern Territory regions					
Number					
Original					
- Darwin*	2 086	2 228	2 247	0.9%	7.7%
- Regional NT*	809	906	923	1.8%	14.0%
Australia					
Number					
Trend	248 836	289 807	285 535	-1.5%	14.7%
- managers	26 703	31 759	31 703	-0.2%	18.7%
- professionals	70 789	79 713	80 193	0.6%	13.3%
- technicians and trades	33 153	37 956	36 737	-3.2%	10.8%
- community and personal services	24 820	33 789	33 088	-2.1%	33.3%
- clerical and administrative	38 182	45 852	45 130	-1.6%	18.2%
- sales	19 864	23 648	23 212	-1.8%	16.9%
- machinery operators and drivers	13 167	15 476	15 098	-2.4%	14.7%
- labourers	20 256	22 712	21 745	-4.3%	7.4%

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.

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