# Key Points

Vacancy Report

October 2014

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Following 12 consecutive months of increases, the Internet Vacancy Index (IVI) was unchanged in trend terms in October 2014. Over the year to October 2014, vacancies have risen by 15,900 (or 11.4 per cent), although this is well below the average rate of growth recorded during the recovery from the GFC (20.9 per cent). The level of vacancies is 152,000 (or 49.4 per cent) below the March 2008 peak, indicating that demand for labour remains relatively subdued.

| Trend SummaryAnnual Change* Increased by 11.4% to 73.2 (Jan 2006 = 100).
* Increased in all eight occupational groups, with the strongest rises recorded for Community and Personal Service Workers (up by 15.8%) and Technicians and Trades Workers (15.7%).
* Increased in all states and the Australian Capital Territory, with vacancies declining in the Northern Territory (down by 10.4%).

Monthly Change* Vacancies were steady over the month.
* Decreased in four of the eight occupational groups, with the largest fall for Professionals (down by 0.5%).
* Increased in four states and the Australian Capital Territory.

**(155,600 vacancies)** | Seasonally Adjusted SummaryAnnual Change* Increased by 11.9% to 73.3 (Jan 2006 = 100).
* Increased in all eight occupational groups, with the strongest rises recorded for Clerical and Administrative Workers (up by 16.8%) and Community and Personal Service Workers (16.8%).
* Increased in all states and the Australian Capital Territory, with vacancies declining in the Northern Territory (down by 12.5%).

Monthly Change* Vacancies were unchanged over the month.
* Decreased in four of the eight occupational groups.
* Decreased in four states and the Northern Territory, with the largest fall being in Tasmania (down by 7.0%).

**(155,500 vacancies)** |
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### Internet Vacancy Index and Skilled Internet Vacancy Index (January 2006 = 100)



## Internet Vacancy Index – Trend Series

In trend terms, the IVI was steady in October 2014. Over the month, vacancies increased in four of the eight occupational groups, and in four states and the Australian Capital Territory.

Over the year to October 2014, vacancies have increased by 11.4%. The IVI increased in all states and the Australian Capital Territory, with vacancies declining in the Northern Territory (down by 10.4%, although the data are volatile). The strongest rises in vacancies were in New South Wales (up by 19.6%) and the Australian Capital Territory (17.8%). Vacancies also rose across all eight occupational groups, with the strongest increase recorded for Community and Personal Service Workers (up by 15.8%). Around 155,600 newly lodged vacancies were advertised during October.

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| **IVI - Trend** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| Managers | 99.0 | -0.3 | 10.8 | 20,291 |
| Professionals | 83.7 | -0.5 | 11.2 | 40,006 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 82.4 | -0.2 | 15.7 | 20,091 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 96.5 | 0.2 | 15.8 | 12,320 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 66.3 | 0.5 | 15.3 | 27,474 |
| Sales Workers | 66.8 | 0.3 | 6.8 | 15,658 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 57.9 | -0.1 | 1.5 | 7403 |
| Labourers | 42.5 | 0.2 | 8.3 | 12,410 |
| **States and Territories** |  |  |  |  |
| New South Wales | 78.6 | 0.4 | 19.6 | 57,541 |
| Victoria | 74.2 | 0.3 | 11.8 | 37,201 |
| Queensland | 56.6 | -0.6 | 2.0 | 28,038 |
| South Australia | 54.5 | -0.5 | 2.9 | 7186 |
| Western Australia | 99.9 | 1.2 | 12.1 | 18,333 |
| Tasmania | 58.6 | 0.3 | 11.4 | 1670 |
| Northern Territory | 92.4 | -2.1 | -10.4 | 2266 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 114.0 | 1.3 | 17.8 | 3715 |
| **Australia** | **73.2** | **0.0** | **11.4** | **155,590** |

## Internet Vacancy Index – Seasonally Adjusted Series

In seasonally adjusted terms, the IVI was unchanged in October 2014. Over the month, vacancies declined in four of the eight occupational groups and in four states and the Northern Territory.

Over the year to October 2014, the IVI has increased by 11.9% in seasonally adjusted terms. Vacancies rose in all eight occupational groups, with the strongest increases recorded for Community and Personal Service Workers (up by 16.8%) and Clerical and Administrative Workers (16.8%), and the weakest rise recorded for Machinery Operators and Drivers (1.1%). Over the year, vacancies rose in all states and the Australian Capital Territory, with vacancies declining in the Northern Territory (down by 12.5%). The strongest increases were recorded in New South Wales (up by 19.6%) and the Australian Capital Territory (18.4%).

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| **IVI - Seasonally Adjusted** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| Managers | 99.1 | -0.8 | 11.0 | 20,239 |
| Professionals | 83.3 | -1.0 | 12.0 | 39,912 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 83.0 | -1.1 | 13.8 | 19,890 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 97.5 | 0.3 | 16.8 | 12,259 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 66.6 | 1.7 | 16.8 | 27,648 |
| Sales Workers | 67.1 | -0.3 | 9.7 | 15,614 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 59.4 | 1.9 | 1.1 | 7457 |
| Labourers | 43.3 | 2.4 | 8.2 | 12,438 |
| **States and Territories** |  |  |  |  |
| New South Wales | 78.9 | 1.2 | 19.6 | 57,559 |
| Victoria | 75.2 | -0.2 | 11.3 | 37,111 |
| Queensland | 56.3 | -0.4 | 4.0 | 27,976 |
| South Australia | 54.6 | -2.6 | 1.6 | 7121 |
| Western Australia | 101.3 | 1.6 | 11.2 | 18,344 |
| Tasmania | 56.5 | -7.0 | 11.1 | 1614 |
| Northern Territory | 87.3 | -2.3 | -12.5 | 2232 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 119.7 | 1.0 | 18.4 | 3779 |
| **Australia** | **73.3** | **0.0** | **11.9** | **155,454** |

## Skilled Internet Vacancy Index

The Skilled IVI declined by 0.3% in October 2014, with vacancies falling in 12 of the 20 Skilled IVI occupational groups over the month. The strongest declines were recorded for Engineers (down by 2.9%), Skilled Animal and Horticultural Workers (1.6%) and Engineering, ICT & Science Technicians (1.1%), while the strongest increases were recorded for Legal, Social and Welfare Professionals (up by 1.6%) and Electrotechnology and Telecommunications Trades (1.3%). Vacancies for Health Diagnostic and Therapy Professionals and Construction Trades were unchanged over the month.

Over the year to October 2014, the Skilled IVI has risen by 12.5%, with vacancies increasing in 18 of the 20 occupational groups. The strongest increases were recorded for Construction Trades (up by 43.9%) and Medical Practitioners and Nurses (27.0%), while decreases were recorded for Engineers (down by 13.0%) and Science Professionals and Veterinarians (1.9%).

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| **Skilled IVI – October 2014** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| **Professionals** | **83.7** | **-0.5** | **11.2** | **40,006** |
| Arts and Media Professionals | 73.6 | -0.3 | 9.5 | 701 |
| Education Professionals | 110.3 | -0.6 | 11.4 | 1428 |
| ICT Professionals | 76.4 | -0.2 | 9.2 | 8902 |
| Legal, Social and Welfare Professionals | 83.9 | 1.6 | 21.0 | 3657 |
| Business, Finance and Human Resource Professionals | 62.7 | -0.3 | 11.4 | 9364 |
| Information Professionals | 132.2 | -0.2 | 14.8 | 1742 |
| Sales, Marketing & Public Relations Professionals | 117.9 | 0.4 | 14.6 | 2917 |
| Transport and Design Professionals, and Architects | 118.6 | -0.2 | 23.6 | 2043 |
| Engineers | 49.9 | -2.9 | -13.0 | 2309 |
| Science Professionals and Veterinarians | 55.9 | 0.5 | -1.9 | 476 |
| Health Diagnostic and Therapy Professionals | 173.4 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 2307 |
| Medical Practitioners and Nurses | 161.0 | 0.5 | 27.0 | 4224 |
| **Technicians and Trades Workers** | **82.4** | **-0.2** | **15.7** | **20,091** |
| Engineering, ICT and Science Technicians | 83.0 | -1.1 | 12.4 | 4198 |
| Automotive and Engineering Trades | 73.1 | -0.4 | 8.2 | 4587 |
| Construction Trades | 98.1 | 0.0 | 43.9 | 2741 |
| Electrotechnology and Telecommunications Trades | 80.7 | 1.3 | 11.3 | 1975 |
| Food Trades | 94.2 | -0.3 | 14.0 | 3986 |
| Skilled Animal and Horticultural Workers | 70.6 | -1.6 | 14.7 | 742 |
| Hairdressers, Printing, Clothing and Wood Trades | 79.4 | -0.3 | 15.6 | 1408 |
| Jewellers, Arts and Other Trades Workers | 75.1 | 0.1 | 11.8 | 399 |
| **Skilled IVI Total** | **82.9** | **-0.3** | **12.5** | **60,085** |

## Regional Internet Vacancy Index

Over the year to October 2014, the number of online vacancies increased in 27 of the 38 IVI regions. The strongest increases were recorded in South West WA (up by 31.6%), Sydney (22.1%) and Geelong & Surf Coast (19.2%), while the strongest falls were in Toowoomba & South West QLD (down by 23.1%) and Outback Queensland (17.2%).

### Change in internet vacancies over the year to October 2014



Over the past year, vacancies in Western Australia have risen by 12.1 per cent, with renewed strength in vacancies for housing construction occupations (including Electricians, Carpenters and Joiners, and Plumbers) offsetting softening conditions in mining related activities. That said, vacancies have continued to shift away from regional areas of Queensland, with Queensland’s share of vacancies having fallen by 1.7 percentage points over the past year to stand at 18.0% in October 2014 (the state’s lowest share of vacancies since the IVI series began). By contrast, the share of vacancies in New South Wales has increased by 2.4 percentage points over the past year to stand at 36.9% in October 2014.

##  Regional IVI – three month moving average

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| **Regional IVI – October 2014** | **Index (May '10 = 100)** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| **New South Wales** |  |  |  |
| Bathurst & Central West NSW | 44.1 | -9.3 | 266 |
| Blue Mountains | 207.4 | 2.5 | 693 |
| Dubbo & Western NSW | 118.7 | 9.1 | 645 |
| Gosford & Central Coast | 137.4 | 13.1 | 1144 |
| Illawarra & South Coast | 140.9 | 17.5 | 1456 |
| NSW North Coast | 123.6 | 11.2 | 1873 |
| Newcastle & Hunter | 89.6 | 7.5 | 2913 |
| Riverina & Murray | 127.8 | 12.2 | 766 |
| Southern Highlands & Snowy | 114.6 | 4.0 | 386 |
| Sydney | 107.5 | 22.1 | 51,719 |
| Tamworth & North West NSW | 81.0 | -1.3 | 659 |
| **Victoria** |  |  |  |
| Ballarat & Central Highlands | 139.2 | 13.6 | 496 |
| Bendigo & High Country | 105.3 | 6.9 | 1200 |
| Geelong & Surf Coast | 122.4 | 19.2 | 1520 |
| Gippsland | 189.6 | 0.7 | 1051 |
| Melbourne | 94.4 | 13.2 | 36,050 |
| Wimmera & Western | 106.3 | 1.3 | 521 |
| **Queensland** |  |  |  |
| Brisbane | 83.5 | 8.1 | 18,636 |
| Central Queensland | 88.4 | -11.5 | 2233 |
| Far North Queensland | 110.5 | -1.1 | 3822 |
| Gold Coast | 104.4 | 9.2 | 3718 |
| Outback Queensland | 82.9 | -17.2 | 248 |
| Sunshine Coast | 130.8 | 7.5 | 1512 |
| Toowoomba & South West QLD | 122.7 | -23.1 | 1221 |
| **South Australia** |  |  |  |
| Adelaide | 73.5 | 6.9 | 7113 |
| Fleurieu Peninsula & Murray Mallee | 120.0 | -2.7 | 488 |
| Port Augusta & Eyre Peninsula | 107.4 | -4.0 | 289 |
| Yorke Peninsula & Clare Valley | 102.1 | -0.9 | 144 |
| **Western Australia** |  |  |  |
| Goldfields & Southern WA | 192.3 | 11.6 | 922 |
| Perth | 96.7 | 11.3 | 16,149 |
| Pilbara & Kimberley | 303.7 | -5.2 | 1570 |
| South West WA | 88.4 | 31.6 | 712 |
| **Tasmania** |  |  |  |
| Hobart & Southeast Tasmania | 79.4 | 12.6 | 1168 |
| Launceston & Northeast Tasmania | 109.0 | 17.5 | 376 |
| North West Tasmania | 148.1 | 12.9 | 304 |
| **Northern Territory** |  |  |  |
| Darwin | 77.6 | -11.5 | 2011 |
| Regional Northern Territory | 66.3 | 16.3 | 598 |

## State and Territory IVI – trend

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| **State IVI – October 2014** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| **Australia** | **73.2** | **0.0** | **11.4** | **155,590** |
| Managers | 99.0 | -0.3 | 10.8 | 20,291 |
| Professionals | 83.7 | -0.5 | 11.2 | 40,006 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 82.4 | -0.2 | 15.7 | 20,091 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 96.5 | 0.2 | 15.8 | 12,320 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 66.3 | 0.5 | 15.3 | 27,474 |
| Sales Workers | 66.8 | 0.3 | 6.8 | 15,658 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 57.9 | -0.1 | 1.5 | 7403 |
| Labourers | 42.5 | 0.2 | 8.3 | 12,410 |
| **New South Wales** | **78.6** | **0.4** | **19.6** | **57,541** |
| Managers | 95.6 | 0.4 | 19.3 | 8491 |
| Professionals | 84.7 | -0.1 | 21.9 | 16,401 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 93.2 | -0.4 | 19.3 | 6108 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 105.0 | 0.5 | 19.3 | 4056 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 68.9 | 0.5 | 23.9 | 10,761 |
| Sales Workers | 64.4 | 0.1 | 12.9 | 5525 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 68.9 | 0.7 | 8.3 | 2195 |
| Labourers | 57.6 | 0.3 | 12.4 | 3967 |
| **Victoria** | **74.2** | **0.3** | **11.8** | **37,201** |
| Managers | 102.1 | -1.2 | 5.3 | 4829 |
| Professionals | 82.5 | -0.8 | 4.7 | 9223 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 84.7 | 0.1 | 21.4 | 4431 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 99.5 | 0.0 | 13.2 | 3054 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 65.6 | 0.5 | 15.4 | 6731 |
| Sales Workers | 69.8 | 0.8 | 6.3 | 4062 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 62.2 | 0.5 | 22.5 | 1775 |
| Labourers | 44.1 | 0.7 | 16.7 | 3011 |
| **Queensland** | **56.6** | **-0.6** | **2.0** | **28,038** |
| Managers | 81.1 | -1.6 | 3.1 | 3113 |
| Professionals | 69.3 | -0.6 | 1.2 | 6645 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 57.0 | -0.3 | 4.1 | 4230 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 77.9 | -0.2 | 14.3 | 2572 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 56.1 | -0.2 | 8.4 | 4731 |
| Sales Workers | 58.1 | -0.6 | -4.1 | 2874 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 39.2 | -1.5 | -18.2 | 1422 |
| Labourers | 29.5 | -1.6 | -11.1 | 2435 |
| **South Australia** | **54.5** | **-0.5** | **2.9** | **7186** |
| Managers | 75.6 | 0.8 | 10.0 | 786 |
| Professionals | 76.0 | -0.7 | 12.2 | 1507 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 56.5 | -0.9 | 2.9 | 1034 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 65.1 | 0.8 | 6.2 | 682 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 50.6 | -0.5 | -2.0 | 1062 |
| Sales Workers | 52.4 | -0.5 | 3.1 | 784 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 43.7 | -2.1 | -9.6 | 446 |
| Labourers | 34.9 | 0.9 | -1.3 | 906 |
| **Western Australia** | **99.9** | **1.2** | **12.1** | **18,333** |
| Managers | 162.2 | 2.1 | 8.3 | 2167 |
| Professionals | 96.5 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 3919 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 149.0 | 1.4 | 26.0 | 3429 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 149.0 | 1.4 | 22.4 | 1201 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 78.2 | 0.9 | 6.0 | 2880 |
| Sales Workers | 106.6 | 0.1 | 8.6 | 1779 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 89.7 | 0.4 | 3.5 | 1303 |
| Labourers | 50.4 | 1.7 | 29.4 | 1536 |
| **Tasmania** | **58.6** | **0.3** | **11.4** | **1670** |
| Managers | 81.9 | -1.6 | -0.3 | 146 |
| Professionals | 85.7 | 1.0 | 13.5 | 307 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 67.6 | -0.9 | 17.4 | 252 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 85.5 | 0.1 | 12.3 | 208 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 63.4 | 0.5 | -3.4 | 212 |
| Sales Workers | 62.8 | 1.9 | 12.3 | 209 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 40.7 | -0.3 | 22.2 | 105 |
| Labourers | 27.5 | -2.4 | 17.4 | 224 |
| **Northern Territory** | **92.4** | **-2.1** | **-10.4** | **2266** |
| Managers | 126.2 | -0.5 | 2.4 | 273 |
| Professionals | 150.0 | -0.9 | -2.3 | 517 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 91.3 | -2.5 | -5.4 | 389 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 84.0 | -4.4 | -15.0 | 201 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 118.5 | -0.1 | 0.0 | 418 |
| Sales Workers | 84.7 | -1.0 | -12.7 | 192 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 82.7 | -3.9 | -23.5 | 154 |
| Labourers | 38.4 | -4.1 | -17.2 | 176 |
| **Australian Capital Territory** | **114.0** | **1.3** | **17.8** | **3715** |
| Managers | 113.5 | 0.2 | 10.9 | 500 |
| Professionals | 112.7 | 1.5 | 23.0 | 1483 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 143.2 | 1.5 | 23.5 | 331 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 219.5 | -1.5 | 15.2 | 309 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 97.7 | 4.0 | 23.7 | 620 |
| Sales Workers | 92.4 | -0.3 | -3.8 | 248 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 82.8 | -4.2 | 4.2 | 52 |
| Labourers | 83.7 | -2.0 | 20.2 | 164 |

## Occupational IVI – trend

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| **Occupational IVI – October 2014** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| Managers | 99.0 | -0.3 | 10.8 | **20,291** |
| Chief Executives, Managing Directors & Legislators | 141.9 | -0.4 | 12.1 | 704 |
| Farmers and Farm Managers | 65.8 | 1.9 | 32.1 | 79 |
| Hospitality, Retail and Service Managers | 111.8 | 0.9 | 15.2 | 4935 |
| Corporate Managers | 99.0 | -1.2 | 7.4 | 9097 |
| Construction, Production and Distribution Managers | 87.1 | -0.7 | 9.7 | 4210 |
| Health, Education, ICT and Other Managers | 72.6 | 1.4 | 11.9 | 1218 |
| Professionals | 83.7 | -0.5 | 11.2 | **40,006** |
| Arts and Media Professionals | 73.6 | -0.3 | 9.5 | 701 |
| Education Professionals | 110.3 | -0.6 | 11.4 | 1428 |
| ICT Professionals | 76.4 | -0.2 | 9.2 | 8902 |
| Legal, Social and Welfare Professionals | 83.9 | 1.6 | 21.0 | 3657 |
| Business, Finance and Human Resource Professionals | 62.7 | -0.3 | 11.4 | 9364 |
| Information Professionals | 132.2 | -0.2 | 14.8 | 1742 |
| Sales, Marketing & Public Relations Professionals | 117.9 | 0.4 | 14.6 | 2917 |
| Transport and Design Professionals, and Architects | 118.6 | -0.2 | 23.6 | 2043 |
| Engineers | 49.9 | -2.9 | -13.0 | 2309 |
| Science Professionals and Veterinarians | 55.9 | 0.5 | -1.9 | 476 |
| Health Diagnostic and Therapy Professionals | 173.4 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 2307 |
| Medical Practitioners and Nurses | 161.0 | 0.5 | 27.0 | 4224 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 82.4 | -0.2 | 15.7 | **20,091** |
| Engineering, ICT and Science Technicians | 83.0 | -1.1 | 12.4 | 4198 |
| Automotive and Engineering Trades | 73.1 | -0.4 | 8.2 | 4587 |
| Construction Trades | 98.1 | 0.0 | 43.9 | 2741 |
| Electrotechnology and Telecommunications Trades | 80.7 | 1.3 | 11.3 | 1975 |
| Food Trades | 94.2 | -0.3 | 14.0 | 3986 |
| Skilled Animal and Horticultural Workers | 70.6 | -1.6 | 14.7 | 742 |
| Hairdressers, Printing, Clothing and Wood Trades | 79.4 | -0.3 | 15.6 | 1408 |
| Jewellers, Arts and Other Trades Workers | 75.1 | 0.1 | 11.8 | 399 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 96.5 | 0.2 | 15.8 | **12,320** |
| Health and Welfare Support Workers | 131.7 | -1.0 | -1.9 | 869 |
| Carers and Aides | 128.8 | -0.1 | 15.5 | 5257 |
| Hospitality Workers | 71.5 | 0.7 | 19.8 | 3674 |
| Protective Service Workers | 52.5 | 1.9 | 16.7 | 657 |
| Sports, Travel and Personal Service Workers | 106.1 | 0.4 | 15.5 | 1871 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 66.3 | 0.5 | 15.3 | **27,474** |
| Numerical Clerks | 59.7 | -0.2 | 18.5 | 6227 |
| Clerical and Office Support Workers, Couriers | 70.5 | 0.6 | 5.1 | 689 |
| Other Clerical and Administrative Workers | 88.5 | 1.2 | 10.7 | 3896 |
| Office Managers, Administrators and Secretaries | 66.4 | -0.4 | 17.9 | 4577 |
| General-Inquiry Clerks, Call Centre, Receptionists | 63.9 | 0.9 | 14.5 | 12,053 |
| Sales Workers | 66.8 | 0.3 | 6.8 | **15,658** |
| Sales Representatives and Agents | 73.2 | -0.2 | 1.8 | 5278 |
| Sales Assistants and Salespersons | 66.4 | 0.6 | 10.6 | 9009 |
| Sales Support Workers | 48.4 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1394 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 57.9 | -0.1 | 1.5 | **7403** |
| Machine and Stationary Plant Operators | 62.2 | -1.0 | -1.7 | 1508 |
| Mobile Plant Operators | 77.6 | 0.6 | -3.1 | 1812 |
| Drivers and Storepersons | 50.8 | -0.3 | 4.7 | 4088 |
| Labourers | 42.5 | 0.2 | 8.3 | **12,410** |
| Cleaners and Laundry Workers | 49.7 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 2289 |
| Construction and Mining Labourers | 68.6 | -0.1 | 21.3 | 1261 |
| Factory Process Workers | 51.9 | -0.4 | 9.5 | 2063 |
| Farm, Forestry and Garden Workers | 33.4 | 1.6 | 11.3 | 780 |
| Food Preparation Assistants | 42.2 | 0.0 | -5.0 | 1055 |
| Other Labourers | 36.1 | -0.1 | 9.5 | 4943 |
| Australian Total | 73.2 | 0.0 | 11.4 | **155,590** |

## Explanatory Notes

* The monthly Internet Vacancy Index (IVI) is based on a count of online job advertisements newly lodged on SEEK, CareerOne and Australian JobSearch during the month. Duplicate advertisements are removed before the IVI vacancies are coded by the Department of Employment to occupations based on the Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations (ANZSCO). The data are seasonally adjusted and trended, and then indexed (January 2006 = 100).
* Since the August 2014 issue of the Vacancy Report, job advertisements from the MyCareer website have no longer been included in the IVI. To account for this change, all historical IVI series were reprocessed with MyCareer data removed for each month from mid-2012 onwards to determine the precise impact of the removal of the MyCareer data on the series. The impact of MyCareer’s removal was estimated by comparing the old series (which included MyCareer) and the reprocessed series (excluding MyCareer) from mid-2012 onwards. For data prior to mid-2012, a splicing technique, based on MyCareer’s share, was used to adjust the data to ensure they remained comparable with the reprocessed data from mid-2012 onwards. Seasonal adjustment and trending were then performed on the adjusted series. While in general terms the underlying trends in the series remain similar, the removal of MyCareer data from the series has reduced the number of vacancies included in the IVI. Accordingly, the level of vacancies after reprocessing is noticeably lower. The impact of removing MyCareer on changes in vacancies over time is low at a national level but varies by occupation, state and region. The Department continues to recommend the use of annual changes in trend data as the most reliable indicator of trends in job advertising.
* The Skilled IVI is based on the aggregation of Professionals and Technicians and Trades Workers.
* The Regional IVI was first published in September 2010 and back cast to May 2010. The Regional IVI concords vacancies to 38 best fit regions across the states and territories from the three job boards.
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| November 2014 | 17 December 2014 |
| December 2014 | 28 January 2015 |
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