# Key Points

Vacancy Report

March 2015

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The Internet Vacancy Index (IVI) rose by 0.4 per cent in trend terms in March 2015. In line with other vacancy measures, the IVI is now 7.7 per cent (or 11,300 vacancies) higher than the level recorded a year ago, suggesting that demand for labour has improved. However, vacancies remain 150,300 (or 48.8 per cent) below the March 2008 peak indicating that labour market conditions are likely to remain relatively subdued, at least in the near term.

| Trend SummaryAnnual Change* Increased by 7.7% to 74.1 (Jan 2006 = 100).
* Increased in all eight occupational groups, with the strongest rise recorded for Community and Personal Service Workers (up by 12.3%).
* Increased in four states and the Australian Capital Territory, with vacancies declining in the Northern Territory (down by 11.7%), Western Australia (5.5%) and Tasmania (1.0%).

Monthly Change* Vacancies rose by 0.4% over the month.
* Increased in seven of the eight occupational groups, with the strongest rise recorded for Professionals (up by 1.2%) and Machinery Operators and Drivers (1.1%).
* Increased in three states and the Australian Capital Territory, with Victoria recording the strongest rise (up by 1.7%).

**(157,600 vacancies)** | Seasonally Adjusted SummaryAnnual Change* Increased by 9.0% to 74.6 (Jan 2006 = 100).
* Increased in all eight occupational groups, with the strongest rise recorded for Community and Personal Service Workers (up by 18.2%).
* Increased in four states and the Australian Capital Territory, which recorded the strongest rise of 25.2%.

Monthly Change* Vacancies increased by 1.9% over the month.
* Increased in seven of the eight occupational groups, with the strongest rise recorded for Machinery Operators and Drivers (up by 5.1%). Remained unchanged for Clerical and Administrative Workers.
* Increased in four states and the Australian Capital Territory, with declines recorded in Northern Territory (down by 11.1%), Western Australia (2.7%) and Tasmania (2.7%).

**(158,200 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 rose by 0.4% in March 2015. Over the month, vacancies increased in seven of the eight occupational groups, and in three states and the Australian Capital Territory.

Over the year to March 2015, vacancies increased by 7.7%. The IVI increased in four states and the Australian Capital Territory, with vacancies declining in the Northern Territory (down by 11.7%), Western Australia (5.5%) and Tasmania (1.0%). The strongest rises were recorded in the Australian Capital Territory (up by 21.7%, driven primarily by ICT occupations, including Software and Applications Programmers and ICT Support Technicians), Victoria (12.3%) and New South Wales (11.7%). Vacancies rose in all eight occupational groups, with the strongest rises recorded for Community and Personal Service Workers (up by 12.3%) and Clerical and Administrative Workers (10.0%). Around 157,600 newly lodged vacancies were advertised during March 2015.

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| **IVI - Trend** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| Managers | 101.0 | 0.1 | 6.9 | 20,702 |
| Professionals | 86.3 | 1.2 | 9.6 | 41,313 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 80.6 | -0.1 | 3.1 | 19,644 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 100.0 | 0.5 | 12.3 | 12,812 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 67.0 | 0.3 | 10.0 | 27,728 |
| Sales Workers | 67.3 | 0.4 | 4.0 | 15,785 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 58.3 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 7,444 |
| Labourers | 41.1 | 0.5 | 2.8 | 11,921 |
| **States and Territories** |  |  |  |  |
| New South Wales | 79.7 | 0.6 | 11.7 | 58,289 |
| Victoria | 78.9 | 1.7 | 12.3 | 39,493 |
| Queensland | 58.8 | 0.1 | 2.9 | 29,019 |
| South Australia | 53.4 | -0.1 | 0.7 | 7,041 |
| Western Australia | 86.3 | -1.3 | -5.5 | 15,844 |
| Tasmania | 53.2 | -1.1 | -1.0 | 1,522 |
| Northern Territory | 88.8 | -2.0 | -11.7 | 2,170 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 121.5 | 1.4 | 21.7 | 3,958 |
| **Australia** | **74.1** | **0.4** | **7.7** | **157,562** |

## Internet Vacancy Index – Seasonally Adjusted Series

In seasonally adjusted terms, the IVI increased by 1.9% in March 2015. Over the month, vacancies increased in seven of the eight occupational groups (and remained unchanged for Clerical and Administrative Workers), and in four states and the Australian Capital Territory.

Over the year to March 2015, the IVI increased by 9.0%. Vacancies rose in all eight occupational groups, with the strongest increases recorded for Community and Personal Service Workers (up by 18.2%) and Professionals (13.5%). Over the year, vacancies rose in four states and the Australian Capital Territory, which recorded the strongest increase of 25.2%.

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| **IVI - Seasonally Adjusted** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| Managers | 102.3 | 2.1 | 9.5 | 20,882 |
| Professionals | 85.8 | 1.3 | 13.5 | 41,153 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 82.1 | 1.3 | 3.4 | 19,665 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 101.7 | 1.2 | 18.2 | 12,797 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 66.4 | 0.0 | 9.0 | 27,565 |
| Sales Workers | 68.1 | 1.0 | 4.9 | 15,831 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 60.1 | 5.1 | 2.7 | 7,537 |
| Labourers | 41.6 | 1.3 | 2.7 | 11,933 |
| **States and Territories** |  |  |  |  |
| New South Wales | 79.6 | 1.0 | 15.7 | 58,037 |
| Victoria | 80.7 | 3.0 | 13.8 | 39,737 |
| Queensland | 58.1 | 1.0 | 2.9 | 28,879 |
| South Australia | 54.4 | 2.0 | 3.1 | 7,094 |
| Western Australia | 86.7 | -2.7 | -6.5 | 15,697 |
| Tasmania | 52.0 | -2.7 | -5.2 | 1,492 |
| Northern Territory | 77.9 | -11.1 | -18.6 | 2,003 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 128.7 | 7.8 | 25.2 | 4,052 |
| **Australia** | **74.6** | **1.9** | **9.0** | **158,189** |

## Skilled Internet Vacancy Index

The Skilled IVI increased by 0.7% in March 2015, with vacancies rising in 14 of the 20 Skilled IVI occupational groups over the month. The strongest increases were recorded Science Professionals and Veterinarians (up by 2.8%), albeit from a low base and Skilled Animal and Horticulture Workers (2.5%), while the strongest declines were recorded for Automotive and Engineering Trades (down by 0.7%) and Electrotechnology and Telecommunications Trades (0.5%). Vacancies remained unchanged for Engineering, ICT and Science Technicians over the month.

Over the year to March 2015, the Skilled IVI has risen by 8.0%, with vacancies increasing in 15 of the 20 occupational groups. The strongest increases were recorded for Medical Practitioners and Nurses (up by 26.5%), followed by Skilled Animal and Horticultural Workers (25.6%). By contrast, in line with the softening conditions in Mining, a strong decline in vacancies was recorded for Engineers (6.3%), with the series now more than 80 per cent below its peak in 2008. Vacancies for Automotive and Engineering Trades also declined by 10.6% over the year to March 2015. Vacancies remained unchanged for Business, Finance and Human Resource Professionals over the month.

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| **Skilled IVI – March 2015** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| **Professionals** | **86.3** | **1.2** | **9.6** | **41,313** |
| Arts and Media Professionals | 73.3 | -0.2 | 3.2 | 698 |
| Education Professionals | 105.6 | 1.3 | -1.0 | 1,367 |
| ICT Professionals | 82.1 | 0.7 | 14.9 | 9,565 |
| Legal, Social and Welfare Professionals | 84.4 | 0.9 | 14.9 | 3,707 |
| Business, Finance and Human Resource Professionals | 61.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 9,110 |
| Information Professionals | 139.8 | 2.4 | 14.1 | 1,842 |
| Sales, Marketing & Public Relations Professionals | 121.0 | 2.1 | 10.6 | 2,988 |
| Transport and Design Professionals, and Architects | 131.2 | 0.9 | 19.3 | 2,257 |
| Engineers | 49.0 | -0.2 | -6.3 | 2,268 |
| Science Professionals and Veterinarians | 58.7 | 2.8 | 4.0 | 503 |
| Health Diagnostic and Therapy Professionals | 174.8 | -0.2 | 3.1 | 2,326 |
| Medical Practitioners and Nurses | 179.5 | 1.7 | 26.5 | 4,708 |
| **Technicians and Trades Workers** | **80.6** | **-0.1** | **3.1** | **19,644** |
| Engineering, ICT and Science Technicians | 85.8 | 0.0 | 6.5 | 4,337 |
| Automotive and Engineering Trades | 66.3 | -0.7 | -10.6 | 4,159 |
| Construction Trades | 96.8 | 1.3 | 17.0 | 2,705 |
| Electrotechnology and Telecommunications Trades | 73.0 | -0.5 | -1.1 | 1,791 |
| Food Trades | 93.3 | 0.1 | 3.3 | 3,974 |
| Skilled Animal and Horticultural Workers | 77.2 | 2.5 | 25.6 | 812 |
| Hairdressers, Printing, Clothing and Wood Trades | 78.2 | 1.1 | 5.1 | 1,389 |
| Jewellers, Arts and Other Trades Workers | 80.8 | 1.3 | 15.0 | 430 |
| **Skilled IVI Total** | **84.2** | **0.7** | **8.0** | **61,068** |

## Regional Internet Vacancy Index

Over the year to March 2015, vacancies increased in 18 of the 38 IVI regions. The strongest increases were recorded in Ballarat & Central Highlands (up by 19.9%), Canberra & ACT (18.7%) and Illawarra & South Coast (14.7%), while the strongest falls were in Pilbara & Kimberley (down by 30.0%), Toowoomba & South West QLD (27.2%) and Port Augusta & Eyre Peninsula (22.7%).

### Change in internet vacancies over the year to March 2015



Against the backdrop of softening conditions in mining related activities, the number of vacancies in regional areas of Western Australia and Queensland continues to decline. For instance, over the past three years, Western Australia’s share of vacancies has fallen by 5.0 percentage points to stand at 10.1% in March 2015, while the share of vacancies in Queensland has fallen by 4.2 percentage points to stand at 18.4%. By contrast, the share of vacancies in New South Wales has increased by 7.3 percentage points over the same period, to stand at 37.0% in March 2015.

## Regional IVI – March 2015 – three month moving average

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| **Regional IVI – March 2015** | **Index (May '10 = 100)** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| **New South Wales** |  |  |  |
| Bathurst & Central West NSW | 34.3 | -12.9 | 207 |
| Blue Mountains | 188.7 | -1.0 | 631 |
| Dubbo & Western NSW | 105.8 | 4.0 | 575 |
| Gosford & Central Coast | 123.4 | 9.7 | 1,028 |
| Illawarra & South Coast | 122.7 | 14.7 | 1,268 |
| NSW North Coast | 112.8 | 2.7 | 1,710 |
| Newcastle & Hunter | 79.3 | -5.9 | 2,577 |
| Riverina & Murray | 124.7 | 10.6 | 748 |
| Southern Highlands & Snowy | 101.3 | -3.2 | 341 |
| Sydney | 100.2 | 14.3 | 48,196 |
| Tamworth & North West NSW | 77.7 | -11.8 | 632 |
| **Victoria** |  |  |  |
| Ballarat & Central Highlands | 135.0 | 19.9 | 481 |
| Bendigo & High Country | 101.3 | 3.8 | 1,154 |
| Geelong & Surf Coast | 103.7 | 1.9 | 1,288 |
| Gippsland | 169.9 | -0.4 | 941 |
| Melbourne | 90.8 | 9.8 | 34,678 |
| Wimmera & Western | 102.9 | -5.2 | 505 |
| **Queensland** |  |  |  |
| Brisbane | 80.7 | 5.5 | 18,003 |
| Central Queensland | 79.4 | -6.5 | 2,004 |
| Far North Queensland | 98.1 | -1.3 | 3,395 |
| Gold Coast | 95.9 | 4.1 | 3,415 |
| Outback Queensland | 84.8 | -10.2 | 254 |
| Sunshine Coast | 117.7 | 6.1 | 1,360 |
| Toowoomba & South West QLD | 104.4 | -27.2 | 1,039 |
| **South Australia** |  |  |  |
| Adelaide | 64.7 | 0.9 | 6,261 |
| Fleurieu Peninsula & Murray Mallee | 110.8 | -3.4 | 451 |
| Port Augusta & Eyre Peninsula | 82.7 | -22.7 | 222 |
| Yorke Peninsula & Clare Valley | 85.0 | -10.9 | 120 |
| **Western Australia** |  |  |  |
| Goldfields & Southern WA | 166.7 | -6.1 | 799 |
| Perth | 82.5 | -3.3 | 13,780 |
| Pilbara & Kimberley | 225.3 | -30.0 | 1,165 |
| South West WA | 82.7 | 6.6 | 665 |
| **Tasmania** |  |  |  |
| Hobart & Southeast Tasmania | 67.1 | 0.4 | 987 |
| Launceston & Northeast Tasmania | 102.4 | -1.9 | 353 |
| North West Tasmania | 127.3 | -3.1 | 261 |
| **Northern Territory** |  |  |  |
| Darwin | 65.5 | -16.0 | 1,697 |
| Regional Northern Territory | 49.6 | 8.4 | 447 |
| **Australian Capital Territory** |  |  |  |
| Canberra & ACT | 86.4 | 18.7 | 3,911 |

## State and Territory IVI – March 2015 – trend

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| **State IVI – March 2015** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| **Australia** | **74.1** | **0.4** | **7.7** | **157,562** |
| Managers | 101.0 | 0.1 | 6.9 | 20,702 |
| Professionals | 86.3 | 1.2 | 9.6 | 41,313 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 80.6 | -0.1 | 3.1 | 19,644 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 100.0 | 0.5 | 12.3 | 12,812 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 67.0 | 0.3 | 10.0 | 27,728 |
| Sales Workers | 67.3 | 0.4 | 4.0 | 15,785 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 58.3 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 7,444 |
| Labourers | 41.1 | 0.5 | 2.8 | 11,921 |
| **New South Wales** | **79.7** | **0.6** | **11.7** | **58,289** |
| Managers | 98.4 | 0.9 | 12.3 | 8,727 |
| Professionals | 86.2 | 1.3 | 12.6 | 16,690 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 94.3 | 0.4 | 9.7 | 6,180 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 106.7 | 0.5 | 10.6 | 4,116 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 70.1 | 1.2 | 16.2 | 10,938 |
| Sales Workers | 65.7 | 0.7 | 8.0 | 5,642 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 73.2 | 2.5 | 13.7 | 2,331 |
| Labourers | 54.1 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 3,724 |
| **Victoria** | **78.9** | **1.7** | **12.3** | **39,493** |
| Managers | 108.3 | 0.5 | 6.4 | 5,124 |
| Professionals | 90.7 | 1.9 | 12.7 | 10,138 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 88.9 | 1.6 | 15.4 | 4,648 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 111.5 | 1.9 | 18.6 | 3,419 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 69.4 | 1.5 | 12.6 | 7,111 |
| Sales Workers | 71.0 | 0.7 | 5.7 | 4,136 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 62.5 | 1.1 | 13.8 | 1,781 |
| Labourers | 44.0 | 0.8 | 12.1 | 3,001 |
| **Queensland** | **58.8** | **0.1** | **2.9** | **29,019** |
| Managers | 81.9 | -0.2 | 1.7 | 3,144 |
| Professionals | 74.0 | 0.2 | 6.2 | 7,095 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 57.6 | 0.7 | -0.1 | 4,268 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 82.8 | -0.1 | 13.5 | 2,734 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 55.7 | -1.7 | 2.4 | 4,695 |
| Sales Workers | 60.3 | 0.3 | -1.1 | 2,971 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 41.6 | 0.0 | -4.1 | 1,513 |
| Labourers | 31.0 | -0.1 | -2.8 | 2,561 |
| **South Australia** | **53.4** | **-0.1** | **0.7** | **7,041** |
| Managers | 73.5 | -0.4 | 4.9 | 766 |
| Professionals | 73.3 | 1.3 | 3.1 | 1,455 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 50.9 | -2.1 | -11.7 | 938 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 68.3 | 0.3 | 13.5 | 714 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 52.1 | -0.3 | 4.4 | 1,095 |
| Sales Workers | 52.6 | 0.7 | 7.2 | 786 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 44.5 | -1.3 | -5.1 | 453 |
| Labourers | 33.1 | -1.0 | -3.4 | 861 |
| **Western Australia** | **86.3** | **-1.3** | **-5.5** | **15,844** |
| Managers | 139.4 | -1.4 | -5.7 | 1,944 |
| Professionals | 88.5 | -0.6 | -2.9 | 3,587 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 115.6 | -2.3 | -13.9 | 2,660 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 153.0 | 0.1 | 17.1 | 1,235 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 71.8 | -2.5 | -4.9 | 2,640 |
| Sales Workers | 100.1 | -1.0 | -1.9 | 1,668 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 72.2 | -1.9 | -17.5 | 1,048 |
| Labourers | 39.5 | -3.2 | -6.2 | 1,206 |
| **Tasmania** | **53.2** | **-1.1** | **-1.0** | **1,522** |
| Managers | 85.5 | -0.5 | 2.0 | 152 |
| Professionals | 77.1 | -1.1 | -1.2 | 276 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 66.9 | -0.7 | 14.4 | 250 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 70.9 | -0.8 | -8.8 | 178 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 63.8 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 208 |
| Sales Workers | 53.7 | -1.0 | -11.7 | 179 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 35.1 | -2.3 | -1.2 | 91 |
| Labourers | 25.4 | -0.6 | 4.0 | 206 |
| **Northern Territory** | **88.8** | **-2.0** | **-11.7** | **2,170** |
| Managers | 122.1 | 0.2 | -3.1 | 263 |
| Professionals | 153.0 | -1.7 | -2.1 | 516 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 85.4 | -1.5 | -17.5 | 364 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 84.3 | -1.3 | -9.3 | 202 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 101.3 | -2.3 | -8.0 | 358 |
| Sales Workers | 74.9 | -1.1 | -19.3 | 169 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 71.2 | -3.5 | -32.5 | 133 |
| Labourers | 34.5 | -2.9 | -23.6 | 159 |
| **Australian Capital Territory** | **121.5** | **1.4** | **21.7** | **3,958** |
| Managers | 134.6 | 2.0 | 35.6 | 593 |
| Professionals | 121.3 | 1.9 | 21.3 | 1,601 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 145.5 | 1.5 | 21.5 | 336 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 201.5 | 0.8 | -0.5 | 286 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 106.6 | 1.0 | 40.3 | 680 |
| Sales Workers | 87.7 | 0.7 | -8.2 | 235 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 98.7 | 6.7 | 26.7 | 62 |
| Labourers | 73.5 | -0.2 | -4.3 | 144 |

## Occupational IVI – March 2015 – trend

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| **Occupational IVI – March 2015** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| Managers | 101.0 | 0.1 | 6.9 | 20,702 |
| Chief Executives, Managing Directors & Legislators | 132.0 | -0.1 | 2.9 | 656 |
| Farmers and Farm Managers | 79.1 | 1.4 | 47.5 | 96 |
| Hospitality, Retail and Service Managers | 114.1 | 0.5 | 10.7 | 5,035 |
| Corporate Managers | 100.1 | 0.1 | 4.5 | 9,190 |
| Construction, Production and Distribution Managers | 94.1 | 1.1 | 11.7 | 4,545 |
| Health, Education, ICT and Other Managers | 72.8 | -0.2 | 7.1 | 1,223 |
| Professionals | 86.3 | 1.2 | 9.6 | 41,313 |
| Arts and Media Professionals | 73.3 | -0.2 | 3.2 | 698 |
| Education Professionals | 105.6 | 1.3 | -1.0 | 1,367 |
| ICT Professionals | 82.1 | 0.7 | 14.9 | 9,565 |
| Legal, Social and Welfare Professionals | 84.4 | 0.9 | 14.9 | 3,707 |
| Business, Finance and Human Resource Professionals | 61.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 9,110 |
| Information Professionals | 139.8 | 2.4 | 14.1 | 1,842 |
| Sales, Marketing & Public Relations Professionals | 121.0 | 2.1 | 10.6 | 2,988 |
| Transport and Design Professionals, and Architects | 131.2 | 0.9 | 19.3 | 2,257 |
| Engineers | 49.0 | -0.2 | -6.3 | 2,268 |
| Science Professionals and Veterinarians | 58.7 | 2.8 | 4.0 | 503 |
| Health Diagnostic and Therapy Professionals | 174.8 | -0.2 | 3.1 | 2,326 |
| Medical Practitioners and Nurses | 179.5 | 1.7 | 26.5 | 4,708 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 80.6 | -0.1 | 3.1 | 19,644 |
| Engineering, ICT and Science Technicians | 85.8 | 0.0 | 6.5 | 4,337 |
| Automotive and Engineering Trades | 66.3 | -0.7 | -10.6 | 4,159 |
| Construction Trades | 96.8 | 1.3 | 17.0 | 2,705 |
| Electrotechnology and Telecommunications Trades | 73.0 | -0.5 | -1.1 | 1,791 |
| Food Trades | 93.3 | 0.1 | 3.3 | 3,974 |
| Skilled Animal and Horticultural Workers | 77.2 | 2.5 | 25.6 | 812 |
| Hairdressers, Printing, Clothing and Wood Trades | 78.2 | 1.1 | 5.1 | 1,389 |
| Jewellers, Arts and Other Trades Workers | 80.8 | 1.3 | 15.0 | 430 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 100.0 | 0.5 | 12.3 | 12,812 |
| Health and Welfare Support Workers | 153.1 | 2.0 | 16.3 | 1,009 |
| Carers and Aides | 127.9 | 0.2 | 4.8 | 5,226 |
| Hospitality Workers | 78.3 | 1.3 | 25.9 | 4,022 |
| Protective Service Workers | 54.0 | 0.7 | 19.5 | 678 |
| Sports, Travel and Personal Service Workers | 109.3 | 0.2 | 10.2 | 1,936 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 67.0 | 0.3 | 10.0 | 27,728 |
| Numerical Clerks | 57.9 | 0.7 | 7.0 | 6,043 |
| Clerical and Office Support Workers, Couriers | 67.3 | 1.2 | 2.9 | 658 |
| Other Clerical and Administrative Workers | 87.2 | -0.4 | 8.4 | 3,842 |
| Office Managers, Administrators and Secretaries | 68.6 | 0.9 | 11.0 | 4,725 |
| General-Inquiry Clerks, Call Centre, Receptionists | 65.8 | 0.0 | 11.0 | 12,397 |
| Sales Workers | 67.3 | 0.4 | 4.0 | 15,785 |
| Sales Representatives and Agents | 73.9 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 5,321 |
| Sales Assistants and Salespersons | 67.5 | 0.3 | 8.1 | 9,168 |
| Sales Support Workers | 47.1 | -0.1 | -6.1 | 1,362 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 58.3 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 7,444 |
| Machine and Stationary Plant Operators | 63.6 | 0.5 | -0.2 | 1,541 |
| Mobile Plant Operators | 76.6 | 0.1 | -1.8 | 1,789 |
| Drivers and Storepersons | 50.8 | 0.6 | 2.6 | 4,084 |
| Labourers | 41.1 | 0.5 | 2.8 | 11,921 |
| Cleaners and Laundry Workers | 47.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 2,165 |
| Construction and Mining Labourers | 60.7 | -0.5 | -6.5 | 1,114 |
| Factory Process Workers | 51.8 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 2,061 |
| Farm, Forestry and Garden Workers | 30.0 | -1.7 | 2.7 | 709 |
| Food Preparation Assistants | 41.4 | -0.4 | -2.9 | 1,035 |
| Other Labourers | 35.0 | 0.7 | 4.1 | 4,786 |
| Australian Total | 74.1 | 0.4 | 7.7 | 157,562 |

## 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).
* This month, IVI data have been reprocessed back to September 2013 to remove a number of advertisements for one-off tasks or odd-jobs which were being included on one of the job boards included in IVI.
* 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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