# Key Points

Vacancy Report

May 2014

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The Internet Vacancy Index (IVI) decreased by 1.3% in trend terms in May 2014. While the IVI has shown signs of stabilising in recent months, vacancies have now fallen for three consecutive months, indicating that demand for labour remains subdued. Indeed, the level of vacancies is 1.8% below the level recorded a year ago, and 240,800 (or 59.2%) below the March 2008 peak. Reflecting this weakness, vacancies have fallen in three states and both territories over the past year, as well as in five of the eight occupational groups.

| Trend SummaryAnnual Change* Decreased by 1.8% to 59.0 (Jan 2006 = 100).
* Decreased in five of the eight occupational groups, with the strongest fall recorded for Labourers (down by 7.4%) and the strongest rise for Technicians and Trades Workers (up by 6.6%).
* Decreased in three states and both territories, but increased in New South Wales (up by 6.4%), Victoria (1.3%) and Tasmania (0.6%).

Monthly Change* Decreased by 1.3%.
* Decreased in seven of the eight occupational groups.
* Decreased in five states and the Australian Capital Territory, but increased in New South Wales (up by 0.6%) and the Northern Territory (0.5%).

**(166,000 vacancies)** | Seasonally Adjusted SummaryAnnual Change* Decreased by 3.4% to 58.0 (Jan 2006 = 100).
* Decreased in five of the eight occupational groups, with the strongest fall recorded for Labourers (down by 13.6%) and Machinery Operators and Drivers (9.0%).
* Decreased in four states and both territories, but increased in New South Wales (up by 6.3%) and Tasmania (2.3%).

Monthly Change* Decreased by 3.6%.
* Declined in all of the eight occupational groups.
* Decreased in all states and both territories, with the strongest falls in Western Australia (down by 8.7%) and Tasmania (8.0%).

**(161,800 vacancies)** |
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Over the year to May 2014, the number of online vacancies increased in 22 of the 38 IVI regions. In line with the shift in the distribution of vacancies towards the non-Mining states over the past year, the strongest increases were recorded in Launceston and Northeast Tasmania (up by 33.7%, albeit from a very low base) and Gosford & Central Coast NSW (19.3%), while the strongest falls were in Outback Queensland (down by 29.7%) and Regional Northern Territory (26.7%).

### Internet Vacancy Index and Skilled Internet Vacancy Index (January 2006 = 100)



## Internet Vacancy Index – Trend Series

In trend terms, the IVI decreased by 1.3% in May 2014. Over the month, vacancies declined in five states and the Australian Capital Territory, and in seven of the eight occupational groups.

Over the year to May 2014, vacancies declined by 1.8% in trend terms. The IVI declined in three states and both territories, with the strongest fall in Western Australia (down by 14.6%) and the strongest rise in New South Wales (up by 6.4%). Vacancies also fell across five of the eight occupational groups, with the strongest falls recorded for Labourers (down by 7.4%) and Machinery Operators and Drivers (5.8%). The strongest increase was recorded for Technicians and Trades Workers (up by 6.6%). Around 166,000 newly lodged vacancies were advertised during May.

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| **IVI - Trend** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| Managers | 71.8 | -1.9 | -5.4 | 20,891 |
| Professionals | 63.2 | -1.2 | -3.2 | 44,981 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 69.0 | -0.8 | 6.6 | 21,353 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 87.8 | 0.2 | 6.2 | 14,301 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 48.3 | -1.9 | -4.4 | 28,195 |
| Sales Workers | 59.1 | -1.4 | 4.8 | 17,512 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 52.2 | -0.9 | -5.8 | 7490 |
| Labourers | 36.9 | -1.1 | -7.4 | 11,800 |
| **States and Territories** |  |  |  |  |
| New South Wales | 59.3 | 0.6 | 6.4 | 62,876 |
| Victoria | 57.9 | -2.3 | 1.3 | 40,706 |
| Queensland | 52.0 | -1.9 | -6.7 | 30,235 |
| South Australia | 49.5 | -2.1 | -5.1 | 7224 |
| Western Australia | 76.9 | -4.0 | -14.6 | 16,922 |
| Tasmania | 51.7 | -2.1 | 0.6 | 1651 |
| Northern Territory | 100.3 | 0.5 | -3.1 | 2746 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 86.5 | -1.5 | -13.6 | 4008 |
| **Australia** | **59.0** | **-1.3** | **-1.8** | **165,968** |

## Internet Vacancy Index – Seasonally Adjusted Series

In seasonally adjusted terms, the IVI decreased by 3.6% in May 2014. Over the month, vacancies fell in all states and both territories, and in all of the eight occupational groups.

Over the year to May 2014, the IVI has decreased by 3.4% in seasonally adjusted terms. Vacancies declined in five of the eight occupation groups, with the strongest decline recorded for Labourers (down by 13.6%), followed by Machinery Operators and Drivers (9.0%). Vacancies also fell in four states and both territories over the year, with the largest falls in Western Australia (down by 17.3%) and the Australian Capital Territory (16.4%). Increases were recorded in New South Wales (up by 6.3%) and Tasmania (2.3%, albeit from a low base).

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| **IVI - Seasonally Adjusted** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| Managers | 70.5 | -3.9 | -6.3 | 20,284 |
| Professionals | 61.5 | -2.8 | -2.7 | 43,966 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 66.9 | -5.1 | 1.9 | 20,284 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 87.2 | -1.6 | 5.2 | 13,987 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 46.9 | -4.7 | -6.8 | 27,259 |
| Sales Workers | 57.4 | -5.3 | 1.0 | 16,827 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 52.0 | -1.8 | -9.0 | 7342 |
| Labourers | 36.7 | -3.7 | -13.6 | 11,561 |
| **States and Territories** |  |  |  |  |
| New South Wales | 58.7 | -0.2 | 6.3 | 61,802 |
| Victoria | 55.8 | -6.3 | -2.3 | 38,774 |
| Queensland | 49.7 | -4.9 | -10.5 | 29,182 |
| South Australia | 48.2 | -5.6 | -10.7 | 6969 |
| Western Australia | 74.8 | -8.7 | -17.3 | 16,238 |
| Tasmania | 48.6 | -8.0 | 2.3 | 1568 |
| Northern Territory | 95.6 | -1.0 | -5.4 | 2715 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 85.5 | -6.0 | -16.4 | 3813 |
| **Australia** | **58.0** | **-3.6** | **-3.4** | **161,810** |

## Skilled Internet Vacancy Index

The Skilled IVI decreased by 1.2% in May 2014, declining in 15 of the 20 Skilled IVI occupational groups over the month. The strongest falls were recorded for Science Professionals and Veterinarians (down by 4.9%) and Engineers (2.9%), while the strongest increases were recorded for Business, Finance and Human Resource Professionals (up by 1.9%), Medical Practitioners and Nurses (0.3%), and Construction Trades (0.3%).

Over the year to May 2014, the Skilled IVI has declined by 0.8%, with vacancies falling in 11 of the 20 occupational groups. The strongest declines were for Engineers (down by 39.3%) and Science Professionals and Veterinarians (33.8%), while the strongest increases were for Construction Trades (up by 34.9%) and Medical Practitioners and Nurses (31.8%).

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| **Skilled IVI – May 2014** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| **Professionals** | **63.2** | **-1.2** | **-3.2** | **44,981** |
| Arts and Media Professionals | 55.5 | -2.0 | -1.1 | 744 |
| Education Professionals | 98.9 | -0.6 | 11.4 | 1876 |
| ICT Professionals | 53.2 | -2.1 | -9.9 | 9329 |
| Legal, Social and Welfare Professionals | 61.8 | -1.9 | -6.3 | 3752 |
| Business, Finance and Human Resource Professionals | 50.3 | 1.9 | 4.2 | 11,308 |
| Information Professionals | 81.8 | -2.2 | -11.4 | 1654 |
| Sales, Marketing & Public Relations Professionals | 80.7 | -1.0 | -1.5 | 3114 |
| Transport and Design Professionals, and Architects | 84.2 | -0.1 | 8.4 | 2059 |
| Engineers | 38.7 | -2.9 | -39.3 | 2858 |
| Science Professionals and Veterinarians | 45.4 | -4.9 | -33.8 | 508 |
| Health Diagnostic and Therapy Professionals | 153.7 | -2.1 | 7.7 | 2826 |
| Medical Practitioners and Nurses | 152.9 | 0.3 | 31.8 | 5254 |
| **Technicians and Trades Workers** | **69.0** | **-0.8** | **6.6** | **21,353** |
| Engineering, ICT and Science Technicians | 66.5 | -2.5 | 5.1 | 5009 |
| Automotive and Engineering Trades | 65.9 | -2.1 | -4.3 | 4815 |
| Construction Trades | 84.3 | 0.3 | 34.9 | 2631 |
| Electrotechnology and Telecommunications Trades | 65.2 | 0.2 | -1.3 | 1950 |
| Food Trades | 81.5 | -0.5 | 10.2 | 4258 |
| Skilled Animal and Horticultural Workers | 56.2 | -0.1 | -6.1 | 684 |
| Hairdressers, Printing, Clothing and Wood Trades | 62.8 | 0.0 | 6.9 | 1497 |
| Jewellers, Arts and Other Trades Workers | 59.4 | -1.5 | -0.9 | 400 |
| **Skilled IVI Total** | **64.6** | **-1.2** | **-0.8** | **65,908** |

## Regional Internet Vacancy Index[[1]](#footnote-1)

Over the year to May 2014, the number of online vacancies increased in 22 of the 38 IVI regions. The strongest increases were recorded in Launceston and Northeast Tasmania (up by 33.7%, albeit from a very low base) and Gosford & Central Coast NSW (19.3%), while the strongest falls were in Outback Queensland (down by 29.7%) and Regional Northern Territory (26.7%).

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



Over the past two years, there has been a noticeable shift in the distribution of vacancies across Australia. Against the backdrop of softening conditions in mining related activities, vacancies in regional areas of Western Australia, Queensland and the Northern Territory have weakened. For instance, over the past two years, Western Australia’s share of vacancies has fallen by 4.7 percentage points to stand at 10.2% in May 2014. By contrast, the share of vacancies in New South Wales has increased by 7.0 percentage points over the same period, to stand at 37.8% in May 2014.

##  Regional IVI – three month moving average

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| **Regional IVI – May 2014** | **Index (May '10 = 100)** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| **New South Wales** |  |  |  |
| Bathurst & Central West NSW | 40.4 | 11.6 | 319 |
| Blue Mountains | 102.2 | 16.4 | 960 |
| Dubbo & Western NSW | 72.7 | 4.0 | 610 |
| Gosford & Central Coast | 111.3 | 19.3 | 1003 |
| Illawarra & South Coast | 83.7 | -5.6 | 1329 |
| NSW North Coast | 99.5 | 8.3 | 1734 |
| Newcastle & Hunter | 69.9 | -1.7 | 2938 |
| Riverina & Murray | 86.1 | -0.3 | 674 |
| Southern Highlands & Snowy | 80.7 | 14.2 | 432 |
| Sydney | 93.6 | 17.0 | 53,102 |
| Tamworth & North West NSW | 65.9 | 14.2 | 720 |
| **Victoria** |  |  |  |
| Ballarat & Central Highlands | 99.6 | 3.3 | 443 |
| Bendigo & High Country | 83.1 | 4.3 | 1179 |
| Geelong & Surf Coast | 92.1 | 12.2 | 1203 |
| Gippsland | 154.8 | 7.8 | 973 |
| Melbourne | 82.9 | 11.7 | 37,627 |
| Wimmera & Western | 91.6 | -7.8 | 488 |
| **Queensland** |  |  |  |
| Brisbane | 75.2 | 3.8 | 18,543 |
| Central Queensland | 86.1 | -22.9 | 2313 |
| Far North Queensland | 96.0 | -19.9 | 3543 |
| Gold Coast | 89.1 | 12.3 | 3305 |
| Outback Queensland | 98.5 | -29.7 | 321 |
| Sunshine Coast | 113.1 | 8.6 | 1360 |
| Toowoomba & South West QLD | 133.7 | -11.4 | 1493 |
| **South Australia** |  |  |  |
| Adelaide | 62.8 | -1.3 | 6505 |
| Fleurieu Peninsula & Murray Mallee | 94.7 | 0.5 | 434 |
| Port Augusta & Eyre Peninsula | 93.0 | -13.8 | 271 |
| Yorke Peninsula & Clare Valley | 83.5 | -5.7 | 127 |
| **Western Australia** |  |  |  |
| Goldfields & Southern WA | 133.9 | -24.7 | 873 |
| Perth | 82.9 | -8.1 | 15,064 |
| Pilbara & Kimberley | 246.8 | -25.4 | 1551 |
| South West WA | 50.2 | 14.5 | 600 |
| **Tasmania** |  |  |  |
| Hobart & Southeast Tasmania | 64.0 | 5.9 | 991 |
| Launceston & Northeast Tasmania | 59.9 | 33.7 | 382 |
| North West Tasmania | 72.1 | 1.1 | 268 |
| **Northern Territory** |  |  |  |
| Darwin | 87.0 | 6.4 | 2350 |
| Regional Northern Territory | 50.0 | -26.7 | 475 |

## State and Territory IVI – trend

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| **State IVI – May 2014** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| **Australia** | **59.0** | **-1.3** | **-1.8** | **165,968** |
| Managers | 71.8 | -1.9 | -5.4 | 20,891 |
| Professionals | 63.2 | -1.2 | -3.2 | 44,981 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 69.0 | -0.8 | 6.6 | 21,353 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 87.8 | 0.2 | 6.2 | 14,301 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 48.3 | -1.9 | -4.4 | 28,195 |
| Sales Workers | 59.1 | -1.4 | 4.8 | 17,512 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 52.2 | -0.9 | -5.8 | 7490 |
| Labourers | 36.9 | -1.1 | -7.4 | 11,800 |
| **New South Wales** | **59.3** | **0.6** | **6.4** | **62,876** |
| Managers | 67.8 | 0.1 | 4.8 | 8918 |
| Professionals | 60.8 | 1.8 | 7.5 | 18,880 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 75.5 | 0.9 | 17.2 | 6789 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 90.3 | 0.3 | 7.1 | 4971 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 46.5 | 0.4 | 1.9 | 11,296 |
| Sales Workers | 53.4 | -0.1 | 11.8 | 6334 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 58.6 | -0.4 | 6.8 | 2136 |
| Labourers | 47.5 | -0.8 | -5.9 | 3700 |
| **Victoria** | **57.9** | **-2.3** | **1.3** | **40,706** |
| Managers | 75.4 | -2.8 | -5.1 | 5233 |
| Professionals | 62.9 | -2.5 | -2.6 | 10,806 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 65.4 | -0.3 | 12.2 | 4726 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 89.2 | 0.6 | 9.9 | 3769 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 48.5 | -3.4 | -0.7 | 7239 |
| Sales Workers | 54.8 | -2.6 | 0.0 | 4451 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 49.9 | -0.1 | 9.7 | 1667 |
| Labourers | 35.4 | -1.6 | -4.3 | 2768 |
| **Queensland** | **52.0** | **-1.9** | **-6.7** | **30,235** |
| Managers | 66.0 | -2.2 | -11.4 | 3214 |
| Professionals | 60.2 | -2.0 | -5.3 | 7632 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 51.3 | -2.4 | -6.2 | 4444 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 79.3 | 0.7 | 10.3 | 2849 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 45.7 | -2.3 | -5.7 | 4799 |
| Sales Workers | 59.7 | -2.7 | 1.2 | 3263 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 41.5 | -1.7 | -22.9 | 1598 |
| Labourers | 32.1 | -1.0 | -10.3 | 2671 |
| **South Australia** | **49.5** | **-2.1** | **-5.1** | **7224** |
| Managers | 65.1 | -1.4 | -0.2 | 759 |
| Professionals | 69.4 | -3.2 | -4.6 | 1542 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 50.5 | -1.6 | -2.0 | 1063 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 60.5 | -0.6 | -4.1 | 674 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 44.3 | -2.8 | -9.2 | 1059 |
| Sales Workers | 47.6 | -0.8 | -7.9 | 760 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 39.1 | 0.5 | -10.4 | 484 |
| Labourers | 29.1 | -2.4 | -10.0 | 868 |
| **Western Australia** | **76.9** | **-4.0** | **-14.6** | **16,922** |
| Managers | 107.6 | -4.0 | -22.4 | 1990 |
| Professionals | 70.5 | -4.1 | -28.6 | 3808 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 120.7 | -3.3 | 5.3 | 3131 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 126.7 | -0.7 | -1.2 | 1179 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 61.4 | -4.1 | -17.2 | 2708 |
| Sales Workers | 103.8 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 1878 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 76.6 | -2.9 | -11.0 | 1239 |
| Labourers | 37.0 | -3.5 | -9.2 | 1188 |
| **Tasmania** | **51.7** | **-2.1** | **0.6** | **1651** |
| Managers | 71.5 | -2.2 | 6.1 | 154 |
| Professionals | 89.2 | -1.6 | 11.1 | 384 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 50.7 | -3.4 | -4.0 | 213 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 64.1 | -1.4 | -0.6 | 195 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 53.9 | -2.1 | -5.5 | 217 |
| Sales Workers | 62.7 | -2.0 | 10.1 | 209 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 27.5 | -1.1 | -17.9 | 88 |
| Labourers | 22.6 | -1.2 | -12.2 | 198 |
| **Northern Territory** | **100.3** | **0.5** | **-3.1** | **2746** |
| Managers | 111.7 | -0.8 | -5.6 | 285 |
| Professionals | 164.7 | -0.6 | 10.1 | 641 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 110.2 | 2.1 | 10.5 | 484 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 92.4 | 1.4 | -14.5 | 239 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 100.6 | 0.5 | -12.3 | 414 |
| Sales Workers | 100.6 | -0.1 | -0.8 | 248 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 91.8 | 0.5 | -16.5 | 201 |
| Labourers | 51.0 | -0.5 | -12.5 | 216 |
| **Australian Capital Territory** | **86.5** | **-1.5** | **-13.6** | **4008** |
| Managers | 65.6 | -2.4 | -21.9 | 493 |
| Professionals | 83.5 | -0.3 | -6.4 | 1575 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 137.1 | -2.5 | -8.0 | 401 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 239.7 | 0.2 | -0.9 | 393 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 69.0 | -0.5 | -21.5 | 592 |
| Sales Workers | 105.3 | -2.5 | -5.2 | 335 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 107.6 | -1.1 | -5.5 | 72 |
| Labourers | 100.0 | 2.5 | -2.8 | 201 |

## Occupational IVI – trend

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| **Occupational IVI – May 2014** | **Index (Jan '06 = 100)** | **Monthly % change** | **Yearly % change** | **Number of vacancies** |
| Managers | 71.8 | -1.9 | -5.4 | **20,891** |
| Chief Executives, Managing Directors & Legislators | 94.7 | -1.4 | -13.7 | 674 |
| Farmers and Farm Managers | 49.3 | -3.3 | -2.3 | 64 |
| Hospitality, Retail and Service Managers | 87.9 | -1.8 | 0.5 | 4892 |
| Corporate Managers | 68.5 | -1.6 | -7.8 | 9442 |
| Construction, Production and Distribution Managers | 68.2 | -1.4 | 1.4 | 4660 |
| Health, Education, ICT and Other Managers | 58.0 | -1.1 | -4.5 | 1311 |
| Professionals | 63.2 | -1.2 | -3.2 | **44,981** |
| Arts and Media Professionals | 55.5 | -2.0 | -1.1 | 744 |
| Education Professionals | 98.9 | -0.6 | 11.4 | 1876 |
| ICT Professionals | 53.2 | -2.1 | -9.9 | 9329 |
| Legal, Social and Welfare Professionals | 61.8 | -1.9 | -6.3 | 3752 |
| Business, Finance and Human Resource Professionals | 50.3 | 1.9 | 4.2 | 11,308 |
| Information Professionals | 81.8 | -2.2 | -11.4 | 1654 |
| Sales, Marketing & Public Relations Professionals | 80.7 | -1.0 | -1.5 | 3114 |
| Transport and Design Professionals, and Architects | 84.2 | -0.1 | 8.4 | 2059 |
| Engineers | 38.7 | -2.9 | -39.3 | 2858 |
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| Health Diagnostic and Therapy Professionals | 153.7 | -2.1 | 7.7 | 2826 |
| Medical Practitioners and Nurses | 152.9 | 0.3 | 31.8 | 5254 |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 69.0 | -0.8 | 6.6 | **21,353** |
| Engineering, ICT and Science Technicians | 66.5 | -2.5 | 5.1 | 5009 |
| Automotive and Engineering Trades | 65.9 | -2.1 | -4.3 | 4815 |
| Construction Trades | 84.3 | 0.3 | 34.9 | 2631 |
| Electrotechnology and Telecommunications Trades | 65.2 | 0.2 | -1.3 | 1950 |
| Food Trades | 81.5 | -0.5 | 10.2 | 4258 |
| Skilled Animal and Horticultural Workers | 56.2 | -0.1 | -6.1 | 684 |
| Hairdressers, Printing, Clothing and Wood Trades | 62.8 | 0.0 | 6.9 | 1497 |
| Jewellers, Arts and Other Trades Workers | 59.4 | -1.5 | -0.9 | 400 |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 87.8 | 0.2 | 6.2 | **14,301** |
| Health and Welfare Support Workers | 104.6 | -1.8 | -4.9 | 906 |
| Carers and Aides | 121.2 | 0.3 | 6.6 | 6844 |
| Hospitality Workers | 60.6 | 1.2 | 4.9 | 3701 |
| Protective Service Workers | 41.7 | -3.3 | -8.3 | 558 |
| Sports, Travel and Personal Service Workers | 102.3 | -0.5 | 11.5 | 2221 |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 48.3 | -1.9 | -4.4 | **28,195** |
| Numerical Clerks | 39.6 | -1.1 | -5.4 | 6545 |
| Clerical and Office Support Workers, Couriers | 61.5 | -3.1 | -7.9 | 676 |
| Other Clerical and Administrative Workers | 63.5 | -1.2 | -2.6 | 4112 |
| Office Managers, Administrators and Secretaries | 49.4 | -2.6 | -2.3 | 4820 |
| General-Inquiry Clerks, Call Centre, Receptionists | 48.8 | -2.1 | -4.7 | 12,021 |
| Sales Workers | 59.1 | -1.4 | 4.8 | **17,512** |
| Sales Representatives and Agents | 68.8 | -1.2 | 7.4 | 6431 |
| Sales Assistants and Salespersons | 53.1 | -1.9 | 0.7 | 9264 |
| Sales Support Workers | 49.6 | -2.0 | 9.0 | 1631 |
| Machinery Operators and Drivers | 52.2 | -0.9 | -5.8 | **7490** |
| Machine and Stationary Plant Operators | 55.6 | -1.7 | -12.0 | 1644 |
| Mobile Plant Operators | 67.6 | -1.9 | -5.6 | 1807 |
| Drivers and Storepersons | 46.7 | -0.3 | -1.3 | 4068 |
| Labourers | 36.9 | -1.1 | -7.4 | **11,800** |
| Cleaners and Laundry Workers | 44.7 | -1.3 | -11.8 | 2199 |
| Construction and Mining Labourers | 57.6 | -1.8 | 6.5 | 1171 |
| Factory Process Workers | 48.1 | -0.3 | -0.5 | 2022 |
| Farm, Forestry and Garden Workers | 29.0 | -2.0 | -13.7 | 690 |
| Food Preparation Assistants | 41.8 | -0.7 | -10.8 | 1097 |
| Other Labourers | 29.7 | -1.3 | -8.8 | 4656 |
| Australian Total | 59.0 | -1.3 | -1.8 | **165,968** |

## Explanatory Notes

* The monthly Internet Vacancy Index (IVI) is based on a count of online job advertisements newly lodged on SEEK, MyCareer, 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).
* 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 four job boards.
* In July 2013, the IVI was affected by MyCareer’s move to free job advertising. In order to take account of this change and provide a more reliable indicator of recent vacancy trends, the Department made an adjustment to the data using a ‘level shift’. This estimated the impact of MyCareer’s change in advertising behaviour by comparing the level of job advertisements during the period leading up to June 2013 with the period from July 2013 onwards, before adjusting accordingly. Seasonal adjustment and trending were then performed on the adjusted series. Data were not adjusted at the regional and four digit occupational levels, as these series are only published as three month averages of original data.
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1. The Regional IVI is in three month moving average terms, and is not seasonally adjusted, trended or adjusted for MyCareer’s shift to free job advertising in July 2013. As such, these series should be used with caution, as they typically exhibit more volatility than the overall IVI series. For more information, please see the explanatory notes. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)