

Vacancy Report (The Australian Department of Employment)

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The headline measure published in the Report, the Internet Vacancy Index (IVI), is based on the number of job vacancies newly lodged on three online recruitment sites each month (SEEK, CareerOne and Australian JobSearch). For more information, please see the explanatory notes in the [Vacancy Report](#).

Recent performance

The IVI for Tasmania was estimated to have increased by 0.4 per cent in January 2018, in trend terms, compared to the previous month and was 3.7 per cent higher compared to the same period one year earlier.

Nationally, the IVI in January 2018 was estimated to have increased by 1.2 per cent, in trend terms, compared to the previous month, and was 10.6 per cent higher than the same period one year earlier.

The Tasmanian IVI has fluctuated between 50 and 60 index points for approximately two years, and has increased modestly in the past four months to now sit at 52.9 index points. Following a decline through 2012-13, the national IVI has generally trended upwards (Chart 1).

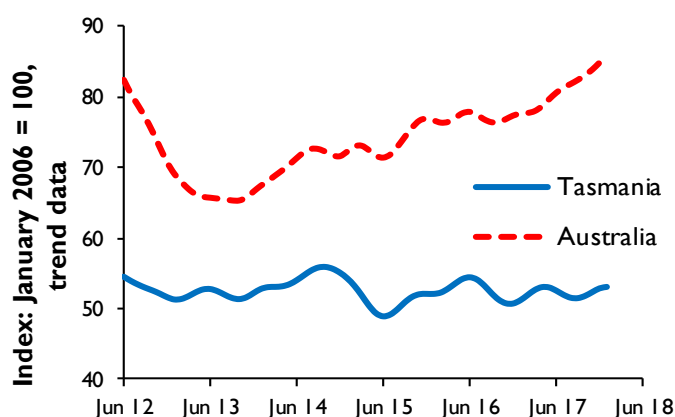
Online job vacancies for professionals accounted for the highest proportion of total vacancies in both Tasmania (25.7 per cent) and Australia (27.6 per cent) in January 2018 (Table 2).

Table 1: Internet Vacancy Index by jurisdiction, January 2018, trend data

Trend data	Index value Jan 2006 = 100	Monthly change (%)	Annual change (%)
NSW	94.2	1.0	7.8
Vic	96.4	1.5	12.8
Qld	68.2	0.4	12.5
SA	60.4	0.8	5.3
WA	84.3	1.4	16.6
Tas	52.9	0.4	3.7
NT	84.4	0.7	22.9
ACT	167.2	-0.1	7.3
Aus	85.9	1.2	10.6

SOURCE: AUSTRALIAN DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT VACANCY REPORT

Chart 1: Internet Vacancy Index, Tasmania and Australia, trend data



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Table 2: Share of Internet Vacancy Index by occupation, January 2018, trend data

Trend data	Tasmania share (%)	Australia share (%)
Managers	10.8	13.2
Professionals	25.7	27.6
Technicians and Trades Workers	15.7	13.9
Community & Personal Services	10.4	7.8
Clerical & Admin Services	13.7	17.0
Sales Workers	10.4	8.6
Machinery Operators & Drivers	4.1	5.2
Labourers	7.8	6.6
Total	100.0	100.0

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In Tasmania, an increase in vacancies over the past year was recorded in the occupation groups of technicians and trades workers, managers, professionals, sales workers and clerical and administration staff (Table 3).

Declines over the past year were recorded in the occupation groups of labourers, machinery operators and drivers and community and personal services (Table 3).

Nationally, all occupation groups recorded an increase in vacancies in January 2018 compared to January 2017. The largest increase, in percentage terms, in the period was vacancies in technicians and trades workers (Table 3).

Table 3: Annual percentage change in internet vacancies by occupation, Tasmania and Australia, January 2018, trend data

<i>Trend data</i>	Tasmania Annual change (%)	Australia Annual change (%)
Managers	17.7	12.4
Professionals	12.8	11.3
Technicians and Trades Workers	20.1	19.7
Clerical and Admin Services	4.5	8.8
Community and Personal Services	-17.1	8.9
Sales Workers	10.9	0.5
Machinery Operators and Drivers	-23.6	14.3
Labourers	-32.3	5.7
Total	3.7	10.6

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