

Vacancy Report (The Australian Department of Employment)

Latest month: May 2018

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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 0.8 per cent in May 2018, in trend terms, compared to the previous month, but was 7.2 per cent higher compared to the same period one year earlier.

Nationally, the IVI in May 2018 was estimated to have decreased by 0.9 per cent, in trend terms, compared to the previous month, but was 5.8 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 now sits at 56.2 index points. The national IVI has generally trended upwards since June 2013 (Chart 1).

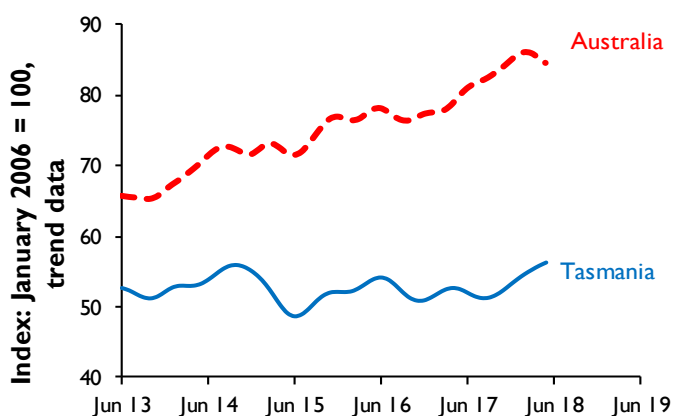
Online job vacancies for professionals accounted for the highest proportion of total vacancies in both Tasmania (27.3 per cent) and Australia (28.6 per cent) in May 2018 (Table 2).

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

Trend data	Index value Jan 2006 = 100	Monthly change (%)	Annual change (%)
NSW	92.9	-0.9	5.3
Vic	95.9	-0.3	8.1
Qld	64.1	-1.1	0.4
SA	58.8	-0.2	-1.7
WA	88.6	0.8	18.0
Tas	56.2	0.8	7.2
NT	80.5	0.5	10.3
ACT	160.0	-1.4	3.6
Aus	84.5	-0.9	5.8

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, May 2018, trend data

Trend data	Tasmania share (%)	Australia share (%)
Managers	11.3	13.4
Professionals	27.3	28.6
Technicians and Trades Workers	15.6	13.7
Community & Personal Services	10.6	7.7
Clerical & Admin Services	13.4	17.2
Sales Workers	8.5	8.1
Machinery Operators & Drivers	4.6	5.3
Labourers	7.6	6.3
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 managers, professionals, technicians and trades workers, clerical and administration staff and community and personal service workers. (Table 3).

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

Nationally, six out of eight occupation groups recorded an increase in vacancies in May 2018 compared to May 2017. The largest increase, in percentage terms, in the period was for vacancies in professionals. The largest decrease, in percentage terms, in the period was for vacancies in sales workers (Table 3).

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

<i>Trend data</i>	Tasmania Annual change (%)	Australia Annual change (%)
Managers	29.2	10.0
Professionals	21.4	11.3
Technicians and Trades Workers	14.0	8.5
Clerical and Admin Services	8.7	6.2
Community and Personal Services	0.6	4.5
Sales Workers	-1.0	-7.3
Machinery Operators and Drivers	-11.7	4.4
Labourers	-24.7	-5.6
Total	7.2	5.8

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