

Vacancy Report (The Australian Department of Employment)

Latest month: October 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 0.7 per cent in October 2018, in trend terms, compared to the previous month, and was 17.7 per cent higher compared to the same period one year earlier.

Nationally, the IVI in October 2018 was estimated to have decreased by 0.5 per cent, in trend terms, compared to the previous month, but was 0.6 per cent higher than the same period one year earlier.

The Tasmanian IVI has fluctuated in the recent past, but we have seen a strong trend upwards since late 2017 to 60.7 index points. The national IVI has generally trended upwards since June 2013, but has eased since April 2018 (Chart 1).

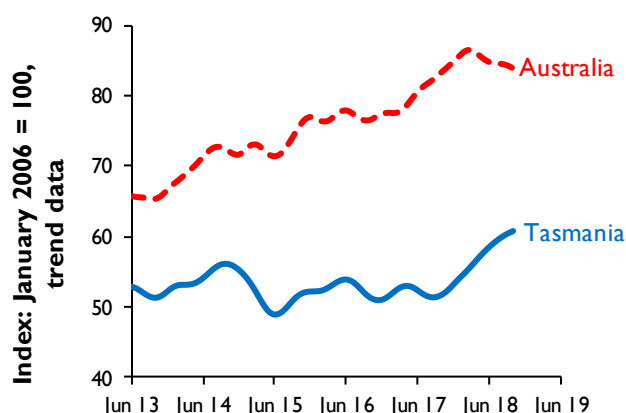
Online job vacancies for professionals accounted for the highest proportion of total vacancies in both Tasmania (25.6 per cent) and Australia (29.1 per cent) in October 2018 (Table 2).

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

Trend data	Index	Monthly change (%)	Annual change (%)
<i>Index: Jan 2006 = 100</i>			
NSW	90.0	-0.8	-1.8
Vic	96.9	-0.3	4.8
Qld	64.4	-0.8	-4.1
SA	57.5	-0.4	-2.4
WA	88.0	0.0	9.4
Tas	60.7	0.7	17.7
NT	73.3	-0.9	-10.3
ACT	162.8	0.1	-1.7
Aus	84.0	-0.5	0.6

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, October 2018, trend data

Trend data	Tasmania share (%)	Australia share (%)
Managers	9.8	13.0
Professionals	25.6	29.1
Technicians and Trades Workers	16.7	13.8
Community & Personal Services	10.7	8.1
Clerical & Admin Services	13.9	17.0
Sales Workers	8.2	8.1
Machinery Operators & Drivers	6.0	4.9
Labourers	9.2	6.0
Total	100.0	100.0

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In Tasmania, an increase in vacancies over the past year was recorded for all occupation groups, except sales workers, which recorded a decrease (Table 3).

Nationally, four out of eight occupation groups recorded an increase in vacancies in October 2018 compared to October 2017. The largest increase, in percentage terms, during the same period were vacancies for professionals. The largest decrease, in percentage terms, in the period were vacancies for labourers (Table 3).

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

<i>Trend data</i>	Tasmania Annual change (%)	Australia Annual change (%)
Managers	4.7	0.0
Professionals	15.3	5.3
Technicians and Trades Workers	30.4	2.7
Clerical and Admin Services	17.6	0.8
Community and Personal Services	17.6	4.1
Sales Workers	-0.5	-6.7
Machinery Operators and Drivers	66.7	-3.6
Labourers	36.0	-9.5
Total	17.7	0.6

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