

Vacancy Report (The Australian Department of Education, Skills and Employment)

Latest month: January 2020

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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 decreased by 0.7 per cent in January 2020, in trend terms, compared to the previous month and was 14.5 per cent lower compared to the same period one year earlier (Table 1).

Nationally, the IVI in January 2020 was estimated to have increased by 0.7 per cent, in trend terms, compared to the previous month, but was 7.5 per cent lower than the same period one year earlier.

The Tasmanian IVI has fluctuated in the past, but there was strong growth between October 2017 and December 2018. During 2019, the Tasmanian IVI declined to around the same level as in mid-2018. The national IVI has generally trended upwards over recent years but generally eased during 2019 (Chart 1).

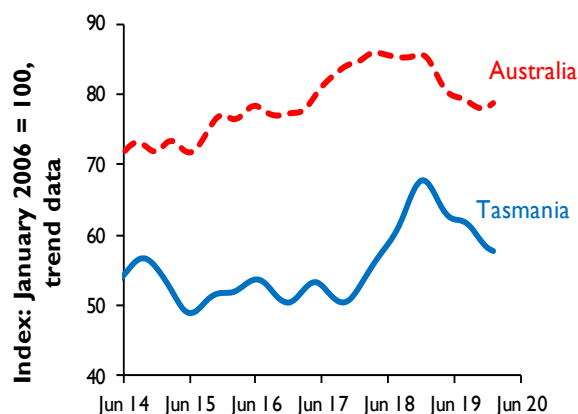
Online job vacancies for professionals accounted for the highest proportion of total vacancies in both Tasmania (30.7 per cent) and Australia (30.5 per cent) in January 2020 (Table 2).

Table 1: Internet Vacancy Index by jurisdiction, January 2020, trend data

Trend data	Index	Monthly change (%)	Annual change (%)
Index: Jan 2006 = 100			
NSW	78.1	0.6	-13.5
Vic	90.2	0.3	-9.4
Qld	63.2	0.9	-2.7
SA	58.8	0.6	0.6
WA	92.2	1.7	5.3
Tas	57.8	-0.7	-14.5
NT	69.7	1.7	-6.2
ACT	184.8	0.6	9.2
Aus	78.6	0.7	-7.5

SOURCE: AUSTRALIAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, SKILLS AND 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 2020, trend data

Trend data	Tasmania share (%)	Australia share (%)
Managers	10.2	12.5
Professionals	30.7	30.5
Technicians and Trades Workers	15.7	13.2
Community & Personal Services	11.0	8.8
Clerical & Admin Services	14.4	16.8
Sales Workers	7.3	7.5
Machinery Operators & Drivers	5.2	4.7
Labourers	6.9	5.8
Total	100.0	100.0

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In Tasmania, all occupation groups recorded a decrease in vacancies in January 2020, compared to January 2019. Vacancies for professionals recorded the smallest decrease over this period in percentage terms, of 6.0 per cent, while vacancies for labourers recorded the largest decrease in percentage terms, of 31.1 per cent (Table 3).

Nationally, all occupation groups recorded a decrease in vacancies in January 2020, compared to January 2019. The largest decrease, in percentage terms, during the period was vacancies for managers (Table 3).

Table 3: Annual percentage change in internet vacancies by occupation, Tasmania and Australia, January 2020, trend data

<i>Trend data</i>	Tasmania	Australia
	Annual	Annual
	change (%)	change (%)
Managers	-16.0	-9.6
Professionals	-6.0	-5.0
Technicians and Trades Workers	-12.4	-8.6
Clerical and Admin Services	-14.8	-9.5
Community and Personal Services	-19.2	-2.2
Sales Workers	-12.5	-9.0
Machinery Operators and Drivers	-17.7	-8.1
Labourers	-31.1	-8.6
Total	-14.5	-7.5

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