

# Recruitment trends and employers' needs: State Snapshot update

# Australian Capital Territory, February 2023

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This snapshot provides information about trends in employers' recruitment experiences and future staffing outlook. Information on this page is sourced from the online job advertisements measured by the Internet Vacancy Index (IVI) and the percentage of job ads that mention key skills as measured by Lightcast (formerly Burning Glass technologies).

#### Internet vacancies, headline figures, Australian Capital Territory, February 2023

Job advertisement count

Change over the month

**Change since Feb-22** 

7,614

↓ -3.2%

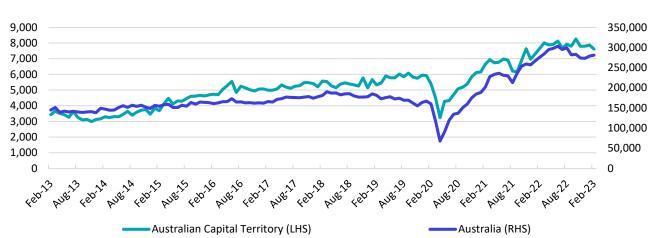
**↓** -0.5%

seasonally adjusted count

(or -254 job advertisements)

(or -38 job advertisements)

## Number of online job advertisements over the ten years to February 2023



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia (JSA), Internet Vacancy Index (IVI), seasonally adjusted data, Feb-2023





Source: Lightcast, Nov-2022 to Jan-2023

\*Lightcast (formerly Burning Glass technologies) is the source for skills in demand as it provides detailed text descriptions used in job vacancies. The JSA Internet Vacancy Index and Lightcast data are not directly comparable. The top 10 skills are baseline skills and exclude specialised skills. Proportions are calculated as a share of job ads which mention baseline skills. Some skills may have similar names but have different definitions in the Lightcast skills taxonomy.

# Insights from the Recruitment Experiences and Outlook Survey

**Australian Capital Territory** 

Information on this page is based on the Recruitment Experiences and Outlook Survey, which is an ongoing survey of employers across Australia run by JSA. The survey collects insights on a range of topics, including recruitment activity, recruitment difficulty and employers' future staffing expectations. Data are for the year to February 2023, unless otherwise indicated.

## Recruitment activity and experiences

In Australian Capital Territory, there were 386 responding employers in the 12 months to February 2023, of whom 61% were recruiting or had recruited over the past month. Of these recruiting businesses, 64% had difficulty recruiting. By comparison, 57% of employers were recruiting in Australia over the same period, of whom 67% had difficulty recruiting.

Employers in Australian Capital Territory were most likely to report the following reasons for recruitment difficulty:

- · Lack of suitable applicants
- · Lack of applicants
- · Undesirable working conditions/hours
- · Applicants lack technical skills.

A chart showing reasons for recruitment for Australian Capital Territory and Australia is included to the right.

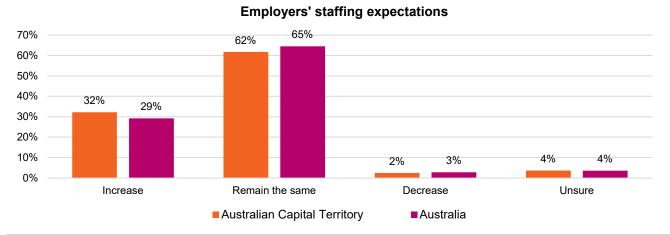
Note: employers can select multiple reasons for recruitment difficulty.

# Reasons for recruitment 25% 24% 17% 16% 57% 60% Australian Capital Territory Newly created positions only Both newly created positions and turnover

■ Positions due to turnover only

# Staffing outlook for coming months

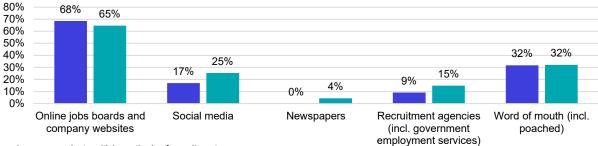
proportion of employers



## **Recruitment methods**

proportion of employers who were recruiting

■ Australian Capital Territory ■ Australia



Note: employers can select multiple methods of recruitment.

Due to small sample sizes for data for the territories, caution should be exercised interpreting these results. Weighted data are used for Australian Capital Territory and Australia. Number of responses for each item varies depending on whether employers recruited or not. Reasons for recruitment difficulty data are only available for employers who have completed recruitment.



# Recruitment trends and employers' needs: Regional Snapshot update

# Capital Region, February 2023

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This snapshot provides information about trends in employers' recruitment experiences and future staffing outlook. Information on this page is sourced from the online job advertisements measured by the Internet Vacancy Index (IVI). Lightcast (formerly Burning Glass Technologies) data are based on the Australian Capital Territory and the Capital Region SA4s.

## Internet vacancies, headline figures, Capital Region ER, February 2023

Job advertisement count

Change over the month

**Change since Feb-22** 

8,182

↓ -3.1%

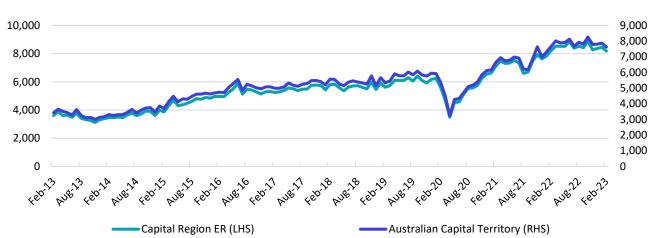
**↓** -0.3%

seasonally adjusted count

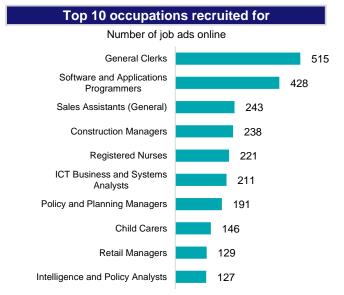
(or -264 job advertisements)

(or -28 job advertisements)

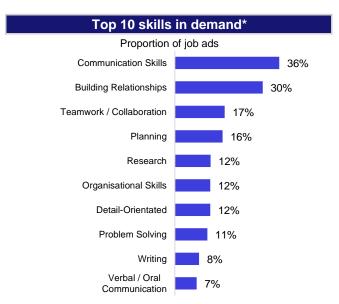
## Number of online job advertisements over the ten years to February 2023



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia (JSA), Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, Feb-2023



Source: JSA, Internet Vacancy Index, three month averages, Feb-2023



Source: Lightcast, Nov-2022 to Jan-2023

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Capital Region

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#### Recruitment activity and experiences

In Capital Region, there were 467 responding employers in the 12 months to February 2023, of whom 58% were recruiting or had recruited in the past month. Of these recruiting businesses, 67% had difficulty recruiting. By comparison, 61% of employers were recruiting in Australian Capital Territory over the same period, of whom 64% had difficulty recruiting.

Employers in Capital Region were most likely to report the following reasons for recruitment difficulty:

- · Lack of applicants
- · Lack of suitable applicants
- · Undesirable working conditions/hours
- · Applicants lack technical skills.

A chart showing reasons for recruitment for Capital Region and Australian Capital Territory is included to the right.

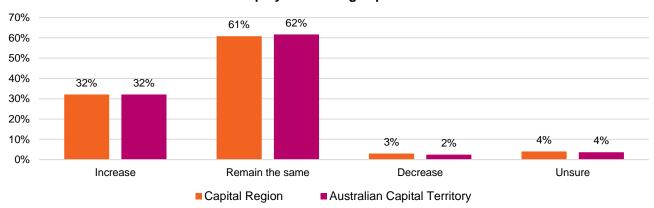


- Newly created positions only
- Both newly created positions and turnover
- Positions due to turnover only

## Staffing outlook for coming months

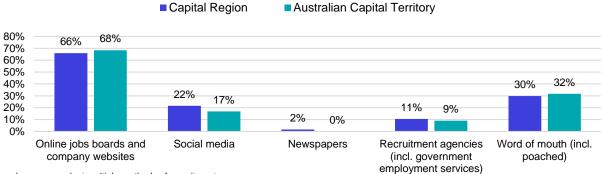
proportion of employers

### **Employers' staffing expectations**



## **Recruitment methods**

proportion of employers who were recruiting



Note: employers can select multiple methods of recruitment.

Due to small sample sizes for regional data, caution should be exercised interpreting these results. Unweighted data are used for Capital Region, while weighted data are used for Australian Capital Territory. Number of responses for each item varies depending on whether employers recruited or not. Reasons for recruitment difficulty data are only available for employers who have completed recruitment.