

# Recruitment trends and employers' needs: State Snapshot update

# South Australia, 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, South Australia, February 2023

Job advertisement count

Change over the month

**Change since Feb-22** 

15,262

↓ -0.2%

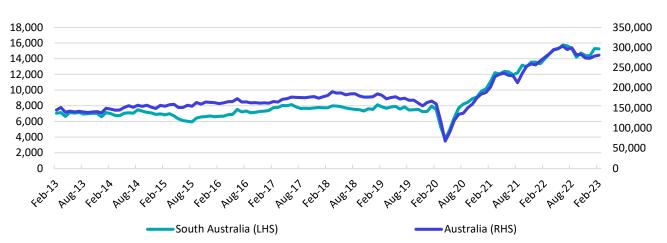
个 9.1%

seasonally adjusted count

(or -30 job advertisements)

(or 1,271 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: JSA, IVI, seasonally adjusted data, Feb-2023

### Top 10 skills in demand\* Proportion of job ads Communication Skills 30% **Building Relationships** 22% Teamwork / Collaboration 14% Planning 13% Detail-Orientated 12% 10% Problem Solving Time Management Organisational Skills 8% 7% Research Microsoft Office

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

### South Australia

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 South Australia, there were 1,186 responding employers in the 12 months to February 2023, of whom 52% were recruiting or had recruited over the past month. Of these recruiting businesses, 60% had difficulty recruiting. By comparison, 57% of employers were recruiting in Australia over the same period, of whom 67% had difficulty recruiting.

Employers in South Australia were most likely to report the following reasons for recruitment difficulty:

- · Lack of suitable applicants
- · Lack of applicants
- · Undesirable working conditions/hours
- · Location, eg remote or regional.

A chart showing reasons for recruitment for South Australia and Australia is included to the right.

Note: employers can select multiple reasons for recruitment difficulty.

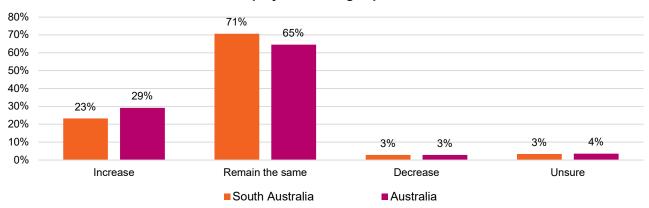
# Reasons for recruitment 25% 24% 17% 16% 58% 60% South Australia Newly created positions only Both newly created positions and turnover

■ Positions due to turnover only

### Staffing outlook for coming months

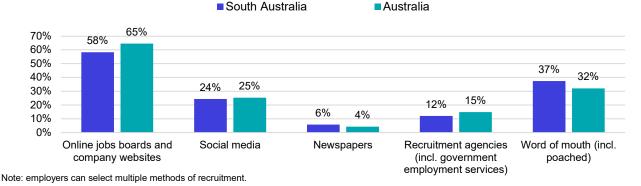
proportion of employers

### **Employers' staffing expectations**



### **Recruitment methods**

proportion of employers who were recruiting



Due to small sample sizes for data for the territories, caution should be exercised interpreting these results. Weighted data are used for South Australia 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.