

# Recruitment trends and employers' needs: Regional Snapshot update

# Wimmera Mallee, 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 North West SA4.

## Internet vacancies, headline figures, Wimmera Mallee ER, February 2023

Job advertisement count

Change over the month

**Change since Feb-22** 

1,149

↓ -0.5%

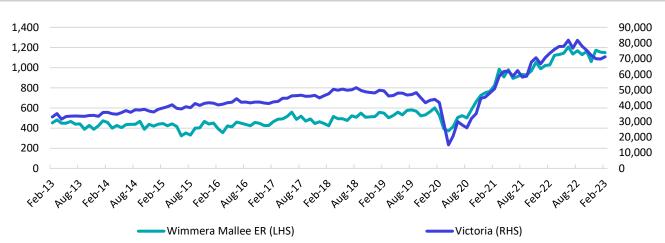
个 11.9%

seasonally adjusted count

(or -6 job advertisements)

(or 122 job advertisements)

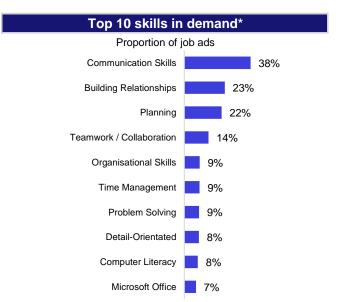
## Number of online job advertisements over the ten years to February 2023



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

#### Top 10 occupations recruited for Number of job ads online Registered Nurses General Clerks 56 Sales Assistants (General) General Practitioners and 39 **Resident Medical Officers** Aged and Disabled Carers 37 Welfare, Recreation and 28 Community Arts Workers 27 Retail Managers Other Miscellaneous Labourers 23 Motor Mechanics Nursing Support and Personal 18 Care Workers

Source: JSA, Internet Vacancy Index, three month averages, 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

Wimmera Mallee

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 Wimmera Mallee, there were 114 responding employers in the 12 months to February 2023, of whom 48% were recruiting or had recruited in the past month. Of these recruiting businesses, 75% had difficulty recruiting. By comparison, 57% of employers were recruiting in Rest of Victoria over the same period, of whom 75% had difficulty recruiting.

Employers in Wimmera Mallee were most likely to report the following reasons for recruitment difficulty:

- · Lack of applicants
- · Location, eg remote or regional
- · Lack of suitable applicants
- · Applicants lack technical skills.

A chart showing reasons for recruitment for Wimmera Mallee and Rest of Victoria is included to the right.



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

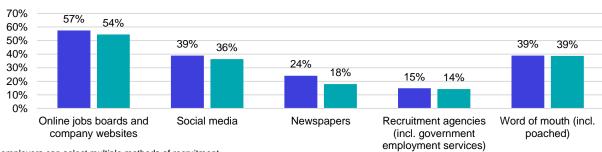
#### Staffing outlook for coming months proportion of employers **Employers' staffing expectations** 64% 70% 62% 60% 50% 40% 32% 28% 30% 20% 10% 4% 4% 4% 3% 0% Increase Remain the same Unsure Decrease ■ Wimmera Mallee ■ Rest of Victoria

## **Recruitment methods**

proportion of employers who were recruiting

■ Wimmera Mallee ■ Res

■ Rest of Victoria



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 Wimmera Mallee, while weighted data are used for Rest of Victoria. 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.