

## Mackay, September 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).

### Internet vacancies, headline figures, Mackay ER, September 2023

#### Job advertisement count

1,636

seasonally adjusted count

#### Change over the month

↓ -2.5%

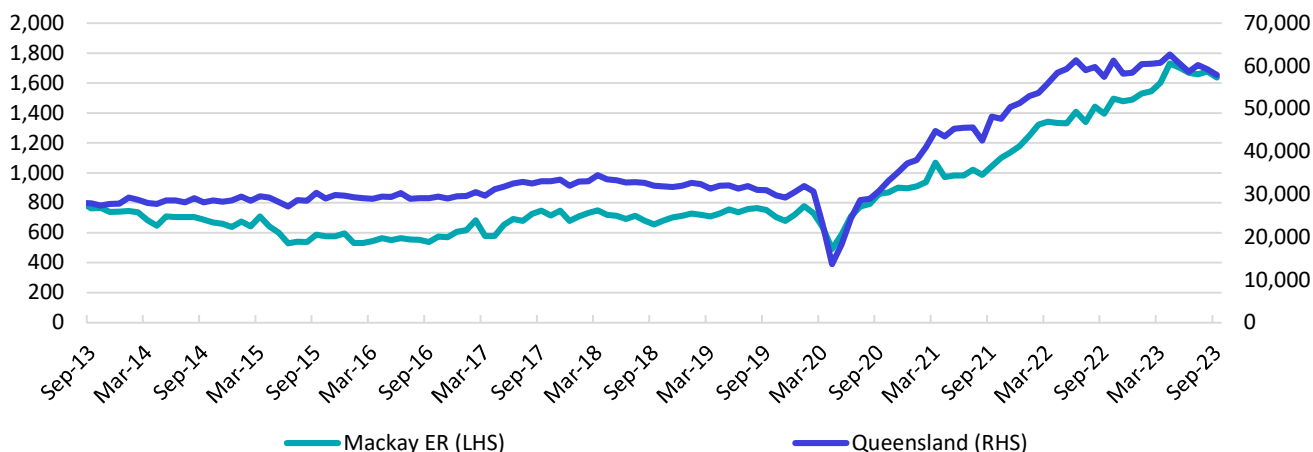
(or -42 job advertisements)

#### Change since Sep-22

↑ 17.3%

(or 241 job advertisements)

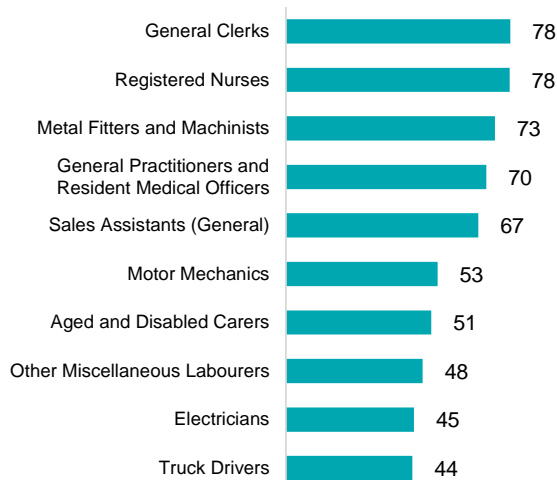
### Number of online job advertisements over the ten years to September 2023



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

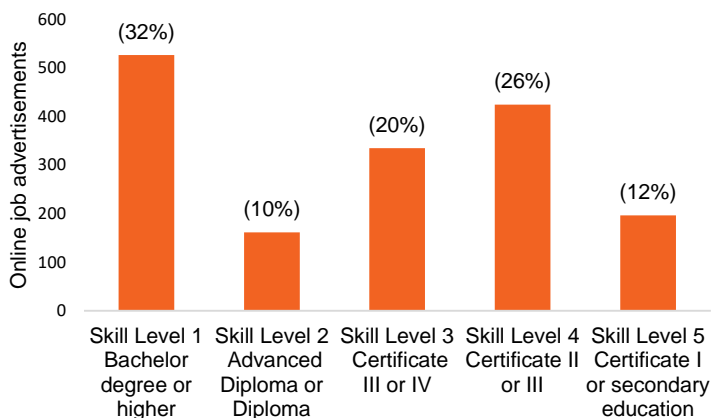
### Top 10 occupations recruited for

Number of job ads online



### Job demand by skill level

Proportion of job ads



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

Source: JSA, Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, Sep-2023

# Insights from the Recruitment Experiences and Outlook Survey

## Mackay

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 September 2023, unless otherwise indicated.

### Recruitment activity and experiences

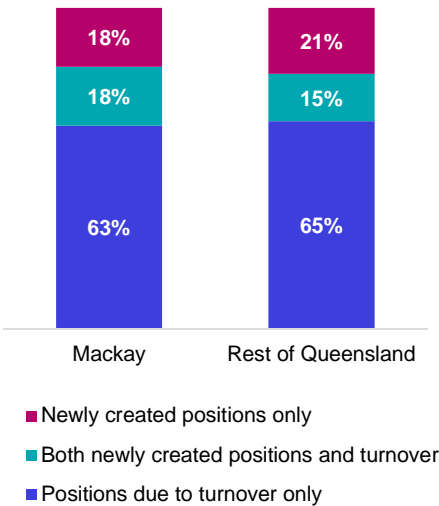
In Mackay, there were 88 responding employers in the 12 months to September 2023, of whom 56% were recruiting or had recruited in the past month. Of these recruiting businesses, 71% had difficulty recruiting. By comparison, 57% of employers were recruiting in Rest of Queensland over the same period, of whom 65% had difficulty recruiting.

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

- Undesirable working conditions/hours
- Location, eg remote or regional
- Applicants lack technical skills
- Applicants lack experience.

A chart showing reasons for recruitment for Mackay and Rest of Queensland is included to the right.

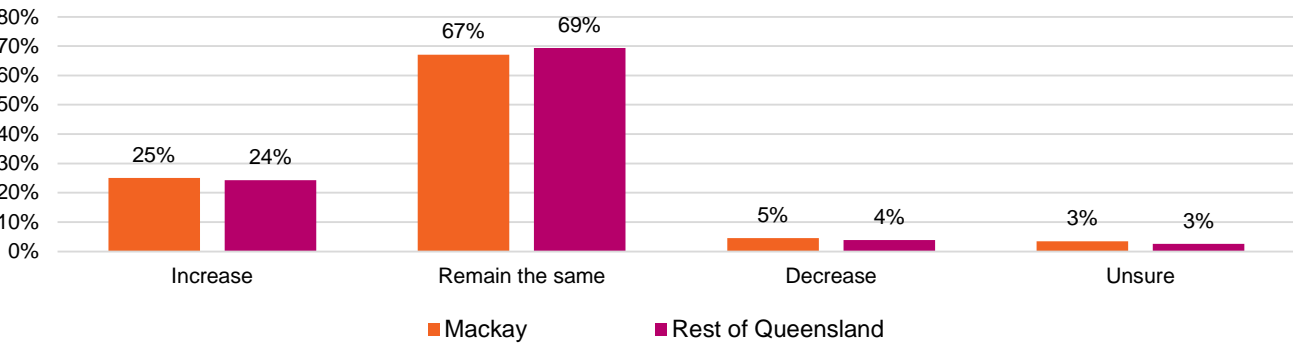
Reasons for recruitment



### Staffing outlook for coming months

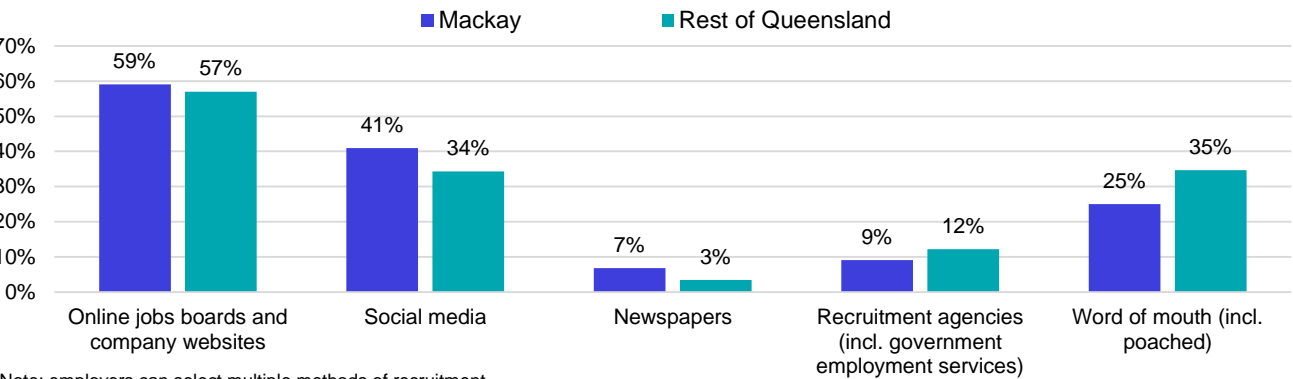
proportion of employers

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 Mackay, while weighted data are used for Rest of Queensland. 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.