



# Recruitment trends and employers' needs: State Snapshot update

### New South Wales, 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, New South Wales, September 2023

Job advertisement count

Change over the month

**Change since Sep-22** 

82,898

**↓** -3.5%

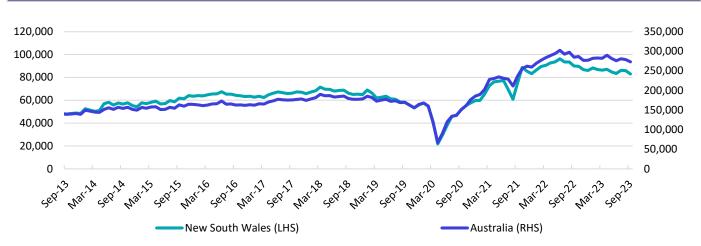
**↓** -7.8%

seasonally adjusted count

(or -3,043 job advertisements)

(or -7,015 job advertisements)

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



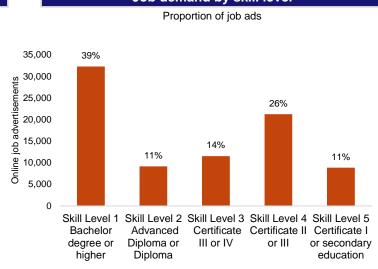
Source: Jobs and Skills Australia (JSA), Internet Vacancy Index (IVI), seasonally adjusted data, Sep-2023

## Top 10 occupations recruited for Number of job ads online



Source: JSA, IVI, seasonally adjusted data, Sep-2023

### Job demand by skill level



Source: JSA, IVI, seasonally adjusted data, Sep-2023

### Insights from the Recruitment Experiences and Outlook Survey

**New South Wales** 

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 New South Wales, there were 2,779 responding employers in the 12 months to September 2023, of whom 51% were recruiting or had recruited over the past month. Of these recruiting businesses, 64% had difficulty recruiting. By comparison, 52% of employers were recruiting in Australia over the same period, of whom 63% had difficulty recruiting.

Employers in New South Wales 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 New South Wales and Australia is included to the right.

Note: employers can select multiple reasons for recruitment difficulty.

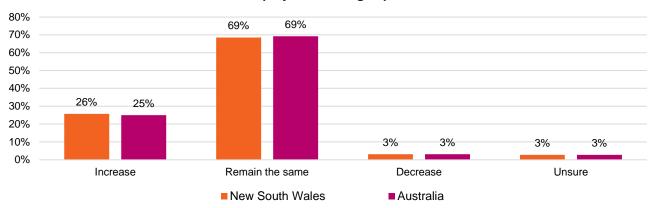


- ■Both newly created positions and turnover
- Positions due to turnover only

### Staffing outlook for coming months

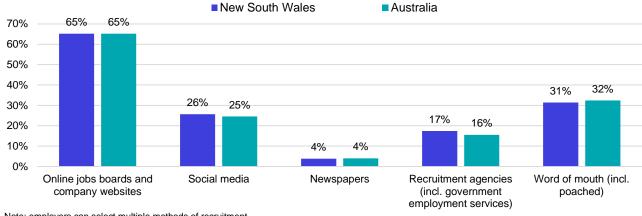
proportion of employers

### **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 data for the territories, caution should be exercised interpreting these results. Weighted data are used for New South Wales 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.