



Recruitment trends and employers' needs: Regional Snapshot update

Sydney North and West, 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, Sydney North and West ER, September 2023

Job advertisement count

seasonally adjusted count

14,983 ↓ -3.9%

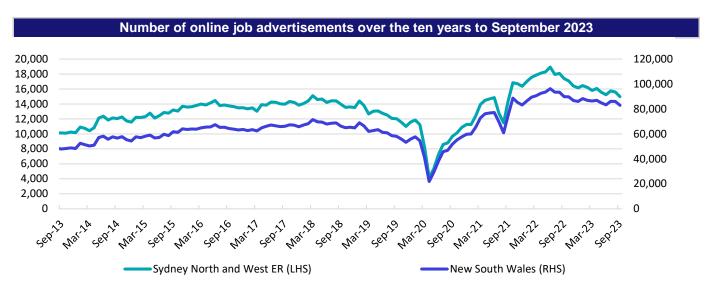
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Change over the month

Change since Sep-22

↓ -13.9%

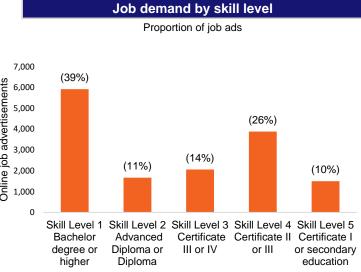
(or -609 job advertisements) (or -2,418 job advertisements)



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



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

Sydney North and West

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.

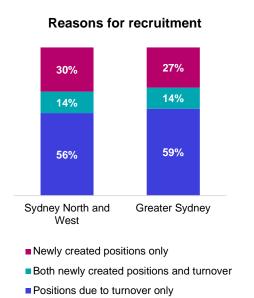
Recruitment activity and experiences

In Sydney North and West, there were 478 responding employers in the 12 months to September 2023, of whom 47% were recruiting or had recruited in the past month. Of these recruiting businesses, 66% had difficulty recruiting. By comparison, 51% of employers were recruiting in Greater Sydney over the same period, of whom 62% had difficulty recruiting.

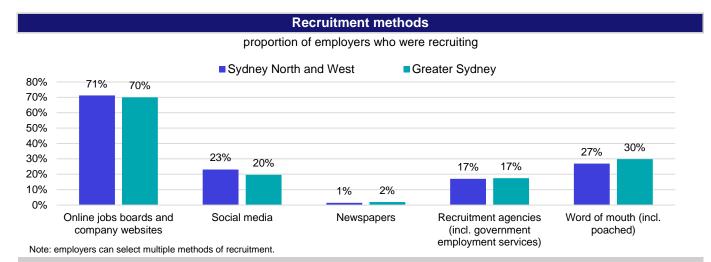
Employers in Sydney North and West were most likely to report the following reasons for recruitment difficulty:

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

A chart showing reasons for recruitment for Sydney North and West and Greater Sydney is included to the right.



Staffing outlook for coming months proportion of employers **Employers' staffing expectations** 80% 68% 69% 70% 60% 50% 40% 24% 25% 30% 20% 4% 3% 3% 3% 10% 0% Increase Remain the same Decrease Unsure Sydney North and West Greater Sydney



Due to small sample sizes for regional data, caution should be exercised interpreting these results. Unweighted data are used for Sydney North and West, while weighted data are used for Greater Sydney. 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.