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Employment Region Industry profile

Darwin Employment Region

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Overview

In February 2024, there were around 84,600 people employed in the Darwin Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Health Care and Social Assistance, Public Administration and Safety, Education and Training, Construction, and Retail Trade. Together these 5 industries accounted for 56% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2024, employment in:

- Health Care and Social Assistance rose by 2.4% to stand at 12,900
- Public Administration and Safety rose by 3.9% to stand at 12,500
- Education and Training rose by 5.4% to stand at 8,200.

In Health Care and Social Assistance in the Darwin Employment Region, 79% of workers were employed full-time; 74% were female; and the median age of the workforce was 37.

Employment by industry, February 2024 and February 2023



Source: ABS Labour Force Survey*, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2024. Note that total employment for the region (four quarter averaged data) may not match data published in the Employment Region Labour Market dashboards (6 month averaged data).

*ABS Labour Force Survey data are based on the Darwin SA4.

Notes: Data are the latest available. A high degree of caution should be exercised when interpreting data at the regional level, particulalrly in regards to percentage changes, given the volatility of the underlying data. For any enquiries related to the data in this report, please contact RegionalWorkforceAssessment@jobsandskills.gov.au

Five largest employing industries: key statistics



Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2024, except youth and mature age data which are from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.

Notes: In each chart, the solid line is the level of employment and the dotted line is a simple linear trend line for the 10 year period. Given the volatility of the underlying data, employment estimates should be treated with a high degree of caution. Particular focus should be placed on the employment series over time to ascertain more reliable long-term growth trends.

Employment characteristics by Industry

Which industries are youth (aged 15-24) employed in?



Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.

Which industries are mature age persons (aged 55+) employed in?



Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021. Note: SA2 level Census data have been aggregated to the Employment Region level.

Gender share by industry

Health Care and Social Assistance	74%	26%	
Education and Training	72%	28%	
Information Media and Telecommunications	65%	35%	
Financial and Insurance Services	62%	38%	
Administrative and Support Services	59%	41%	
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	57%	43%	
Public Administration and Safety	56%	44%	
Retail Trade	56%	44%	
Accommodation and Food Services	50%	50%	
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	45%	55%	
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	44%	56%	
Arts and Recreation Services	40%	60%	
Wholesale Trade	34%	66%	
Other Services	30%	70%	
Manufacturing	25%	75%	
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	22%	78%	
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	20% 80%		
Mining	19% 81%		
Construction	13% 87%		
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Female Male

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2024.

Full-time and part-time employment status by industry

Mining	97%	3 <mark>%</mark>		
Wholesale Trade	93%			
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	92%	8%		
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	92%	8%		
Construction	91%	9%		
Public Administration and Safety	91%	9%		
Other Services	89%	11%		
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	88%	12%		
Manufacturing	87%	13%		
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	86%	14%		
Financial and Insurance Services	82%	18%		
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	80%			
Health Care and Social Assistance	79%	21%		
Education and Training	76%	24%		
Administrative and Support Services	72%	28%		
Information Media and Telecommunications	69%	31%		
Arts and Recreation Services	67%	33%		
Retail Trade	56%	44%		
Accommodation and Food Services	50%	50%		

Full-time share Part-time share

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2024.

Appendix

Employment by industry, Darwin, February 2024

Industry (in order of size)	Share of employment in the region Feb-24 (%)	Employed ('000)			Full-time share	Part-time share	
		Feb-24	Feb-23	Feb-19	%	%	Median age *
Health Care and Social Assistance	15.3	12.9	12.6	10.4	78.9	21.1	37
Public Administration and Safety	14.7	12.5	12.0	12.9	90.9	9.1	39
Education and Training	9.7	8.2	7.8	6.0	76.1	23.9	42
Construction	9.0	7.6	6.3	8.9	91.1	8.9	38
Retail Trade	7.7	6.5	6.4	6.6	56.4	43.6	31
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	7.3	6.1	5.9	5.2	85.9	14.1	38
Accommodation and Food Services	7.2	6.1	6.9	6.5	49.9	50.1	29
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	5.1	4.3	4.7	4.2	91.5	8.5	38
Other Services	3.9	3.3	3.8	4.0	88.6	11.4	37
Mining	3.1	2.6	2.5	2.7	96.6	3.4	41
Manufacturing	3.0	2.5	2.3	2.7	86.7	13.3	39
Administrative and Support Services	2.9	2.5	3.7	3.3	72.2	27.8	40
Arts and Recreation Services	2.6	2.2	2.5	2.6	66.5	33.5	30
Wholesale Trade	2.1	1.7	1.1	1.8	93.1	6.9	38
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.7	1.4	2.1	2.2	92.3	7.7	41
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.0	88.5	11.5	43
Financial and Insurance Services	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.2	82.3	17.7	36
Information Media and Telecommunications	1.1	0.9	0.6	1.1	69.4	30.6	35
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	0.9	0.7	0.9	1.3	79.6	20.4	42
All industries	100.0	84.6	84.5	84.7	80.0	20.0	37

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2024. *Median age is from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021. Median age has been derived using aggregated SA2s for the Employment Region.

Note: Small cells should be viewed with caution due to small sample sizes and regional volatility.