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Recruitment trends and employers' needs: Regional Snapshot update

## Western Melbourne

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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, Western Melbourne ER, Februrary 2025 Job advertisement count Change over the month **Change since Feb-24** 3,854 -6.0% -20.8% seasonally adjusted count (or -247 job advertisements) (or -1,013 job advertisements) Number of online job advertisements over the ten years to February 2025 8,000 90,000 80,000 7,000 70,000 6,000

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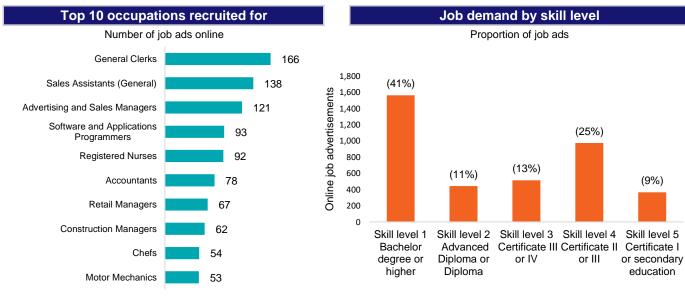
Source: Jobs and Skills Australia (JSA), Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, February 2025

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Source: JSA, Internet Vacancy Index, three month averages, Feb-2025

Source: JSA, Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, Feb-2025

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## Insights from the Recruitment Experiences and Outlook Survey

## Western Melbourne

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 2025, unless otherwise indicated.

## **Recruitment activity and experiences**

In Western Melbourne, there were 114 responding employers in the 12 months to February 2025, of whom 40% were recruiting or had recruited in the past month. Of these recruiting businesses, 45% had difficulty recruiting. By comparison, 39% of employers were recruiting in Greater Melbourne over the same period, of whom 47% had difficulty recruiting.

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

- Lack of suitable applicants
- · Applicants lack technical skills
- · Lack of applicants
- · Applicants lack experience.

A chart showing reasons for recruitment for Western Melbourne and Greater Melbourne is included to the right.

Note: employers can select multiple reasons for recruitment difficulty.

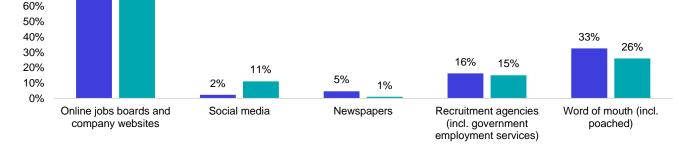




Western Melbourne Greater Melbourne

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





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 Western Melbourne, while weighted data are used for Greater Melbourne. 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.