

Job advertisements

285,700

(Seasonally adjusted)

Change over month:

▲ 0.5%

(up by 1,400 job ads).

Change over year:

▲ 11.7%

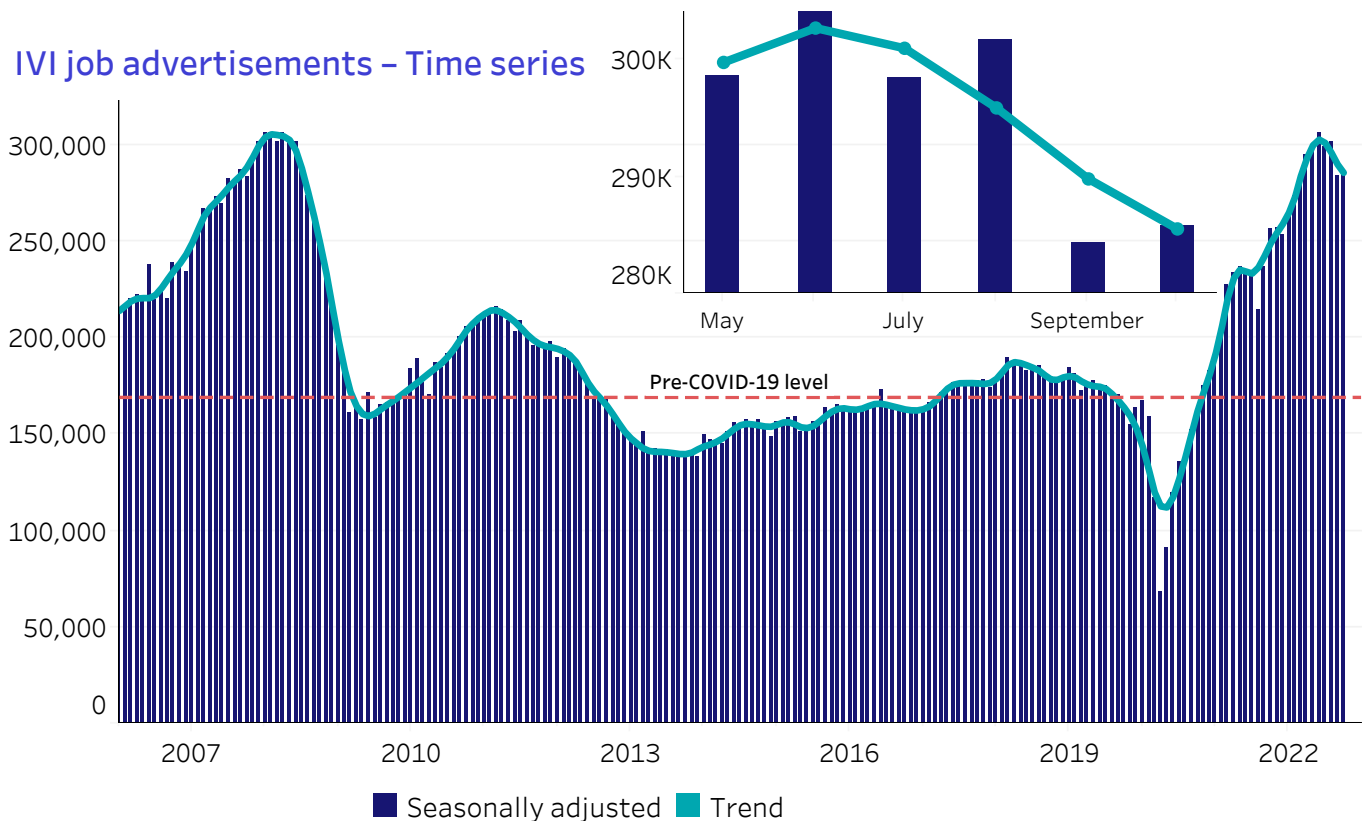
(up by 30,000 job ads).

Pre-COVID change:

▲ 69.8%

(up by 117,400 job ads).

IVI job advertisements – Time series



Key points

In seasonally adjusted terms, job advertisements increased by 0.5% (or 1,400 job ads) in October 2022 to stand at 285,700.

Recruitment activity increased across all states and territories during October 2022 except for Victoria (down by 3.2% or 2,600 job ads) and New South Wales (down by 0.3% or 260 job ads). The strongest growth was recorded in Queensland, where recruitment activity increased by 7.7% (or 4,400 job ads), followed by Western Australia (up by 6.8% or 2,000 job ads) and the Australian Capital Territory (up by 5.5% or 430 job ads).

There has been strong growth in recruitment activity in the last twelve months, with job advertisements 30,000 (or 11.7%) higher than October 2021.









In comparison to levels of recruitment activity observed prior to the COVID-19 pandemic*, online job advertisements are up by 69.8% (117,400 job ads). This growth is reflected across all jurisdictions, with increases ranging from 43.7% (2,500 job ads) in the ACT to 112.3% (2,000 job ads) in Tasmania.

The NSC publishes seasonally adjusted IVI data to better show monthly fluctuations in job advertisements, which can be affected by seasonal factors and economic shocks such as the COVID-19 pandemic. There is some volatility in the IVI series month-on-month, particularly for results post-COVID-19, and as such results should be interpreted accordingly.

The detailed Vacancy Report for October 2022 will be released on Wednesday 23 November 2022.

Preliminary October 2022 IVI data have been published on the National Skills Commission website <<https://www.nationalskillscommission.gov.au/topics/internet-vacancy-index>>.

Recruitment activity by state/territory – October 2022

		Job advertisements (Seasonally adjusted)	MM change	YY change	Pre-COVID change
New South Wales		89,300	▼ 0.3% (down by 260 job ads)	▲ 0.9% (up by 790 job ads)	▲ 52.3% (up by 30,700 job ads)
Victoria		76,700	▼ 3.2% (down by 2,600 job ads)	▲ 11.3% (up by 7,800 job ads)	▲ 68.0% (up by 31,100 job ads)
Queensland		61,300	▲ 7.7% (up by 4,400 job ads)	▲ 28.6% (up by 13,600 job ads)	▲ 97.7% (up by 30,300 job ads)
South Australia		14,800	▲ 3.8% (up by 550 job ads)	▲ 13.5% (up by 1,800 job ads)	▲ 94.4% (up by 7,200 job ads)
Western Australia		31,800	▲ 6.8% (up by 2,000 job ads)	▲ 15.8% (up by 4,300 job ads)	▲ 96.4% (up by 15,600 job ads)
Tasmania		3,700	▲ 5.4% (up by 190 job ads)	▲ 24.8% (up by 740 job ads)	▲ 112.3% (up by 2,000 job ads)
Northern Territory		2,900	▲ 2.0% (up by 60 job ads)	▲ 6.6% (up by 180 job ads)	▲ 76.6% (up by 1,300 job ads)
ACT		8,300	▲ 5.5% (up by 430 job ads)	▲ 20.5% (up by 1,400 job ads)	▲ 43.7% (up by 2,500 job ads)

Background

This release provides preliminary headline Internet Vacancy Index (IVI) data for October 2022. Please note that these results may be subject to change in the detailed release. The full suite of detailed occupational and regional IVI data will be published on Wednesday 23 November 2022.

The IVI is the only publicly available source of detailed data on online vacancies, including for around 350 occupations (at all skill levels), as well as for the states/territories and 37 regions. The IVI is based on a count of online job advertisements newly lodged on SEEK, CareerOne and Australian JobSearch during the month. As such, the IVI does not reflect the total number of job advertisements in the labour market as it does not include jobs advertised through other online job boards, employer websites, word of mouth, in newspapers, and advertisements in shop windows. The IVI also does not take account of multiple positions being advertised in a single job advertisement.

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*Pre-COVID-19 job advertisement levels are defined as the 12-month average in the seasonally adjusted IVI series to February 2020.