

Job advertisements

301,100

(Seasonally adjusted)

Change over month:

▲ 2.6%

(up by 7,700 job ads).

Change over year:

▲ 37.7%

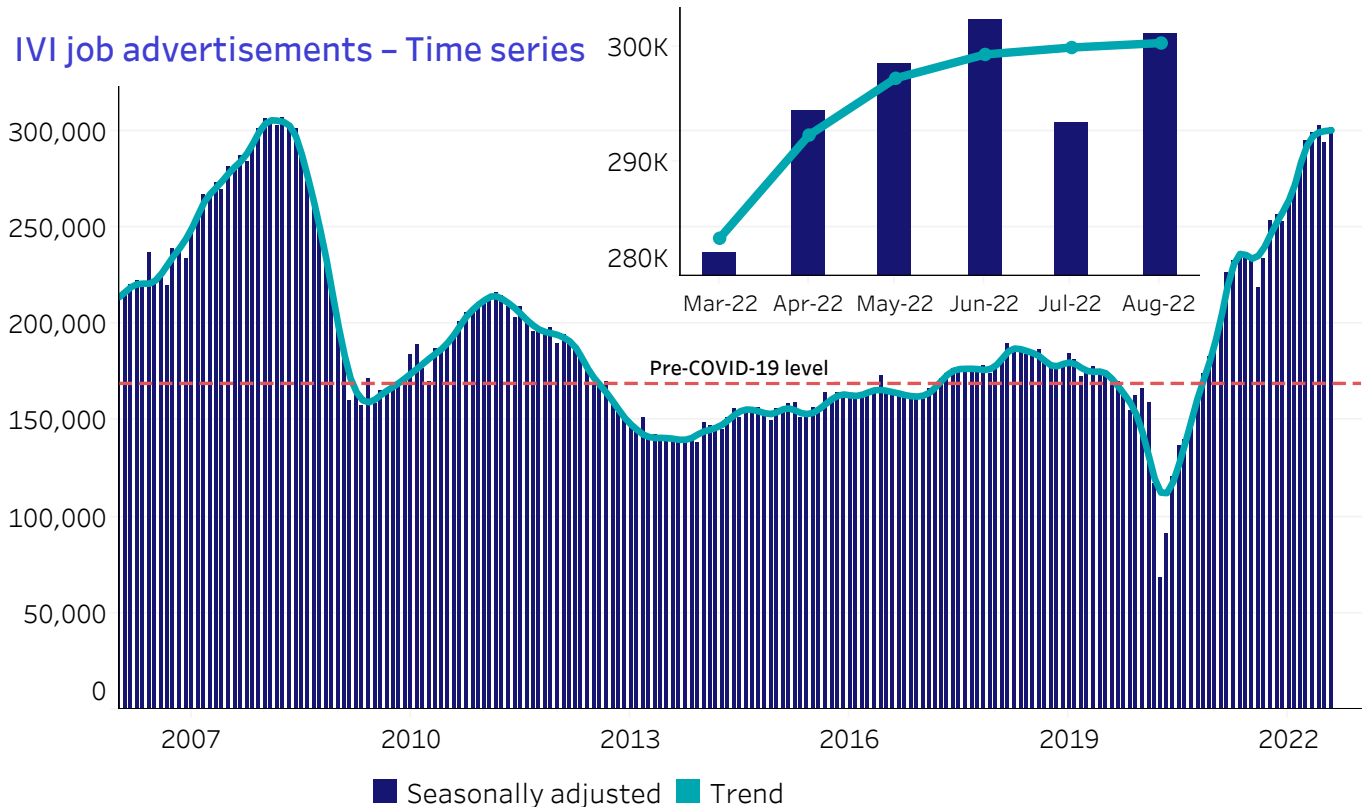
(up by 82,400 job ads).

Pre-COVID change:

▲ 78.9%

(up by 132,800 job ads).

IVI job advertisements – Time series



Key points

In seasonally adjusted terms, job advertisements increased by 2.6% (or 7,700 advertisements) in August 2022 to stand at 301,100, resuming the growth trend observed prior to the decline recorded in July 2022. There has been sustained growth in recruitment activity over the past twelve months with job advertisements up by 37.7% (or 82,400).









Recruitment activity increased across all states and territories during August 2022 except in South Australia (down by 1.6% or 260 job ads). The strongest growth was recorded in the Northern Territory, where recruitment activity was up by 11.2% (320 job ads), followed by Victoria (up by 8.9% or 6,700 job ads) and Tasmania (up by 4.8% or 210 job ads). Over the past twelve months all states and territories have observed strong growth.

In comparison to levels of recruitment activity observed prior to the COVID-19 pandemic*, online job advertisements are up by 78.9% (or 132,800 job ads). This growth is reflected across all jurisdictions, with increases ranging from 35.0% (2,000 job ads) in the ACT to 154.0% (2,700 job ads) in Tasmania.

The detailed Vacancy Report for August 2022 will be released on Wednesday 21 September 2022.

Preliminary August 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 – August 2022

		Job advertisements (Seasonally adjusted)	MM change	YY change	Pre-COVID change
New South Wales		94,600	▲ 0.5% (up by 490 job ads)	▲ 50.2% (up by 31,600 job ads)	▲ 61.5% (up by 36,000 job ads)
Victoria		81,800	▲ 8.9% (up by 6,700 job ads)	▲ 34.6% (up by 21,000 job ads)	▲ 79.3% (up by 36,200 job ads)
Queensland		60,500	▲ 2.5% (up by 1,500 job ads)	▲ 38.5% (up by 16,800 job ads)	▲ 95.1% (up by 29,500 job ads)
South Australia		15,400	▼ 1.6% (down by 260 job ads)	▲ 23.9% (up by 3,000 job ads)	▲ 102.3% (up by 7,800 job ads)
Western Australia		33,300	▲ 0.5% (up by 180 job ads)	▲ 22.7% (up by 6,200 job ads)	▲ 105.8% (up by 17,100 job ads)
Tasmania		4,500	▲ 4.8% (up by 210 job ads)	▲ 56.4% (up by 1,600 job ads)	▲ 154.0% (up by 2,700 job ads)
Northern Territory		3,200	▲ 11.2% (up by 320 job ads)	▲ 20.6% (up by 540 job ads)	▲ 90.4% (up by 1,500 job ads)
ACT		7,800	▲ 3.0% (up by 230 job ads)	▲ 25.8% (up by 1,600 job ads)	▲ 35.0% (up by 2,000 job ads)

Background

This release provides preliminary headline Internet Vacancy Index (IVI) data for August 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 21 September 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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Data in this release should be referenced as – National Skills Commission, Internet Vacancy Index Preliminary, August 2022.

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