



# Understanding where the jobs are

Having an understanding of where the jobs are in the Australian labour market can be useful if you are helping people make decisions about employment and training or if you are looking to develop a career plan for yourself.

The Department of Jobs and Small Business publishes a range of products that can help you explore industries, occupations and skill shortages. They tell you about which industries and occupations have the largest number of jobs, where the new jobs will be over the next five years and where the skill shortages are.

The Department publishes an array of information about the labour market, and the links on this page will help with your exploration. If you need further information, email [australianjobs@jobs.gov.au](mailto:australianjobs@jobs.gov.au)

## Australian Jobs

[jobs.gov.au/australian-jobs-publication](http://jobs.gov.au/australian-jobs-publication)

The Department of Jobs and Small Business's annual *Australian Jobs* publication brings together up-to-date and forward-looking information about jobs. It covers a wide range of topics including occupations and industries, state and territory labour markets, regional information, graduate outcomes, employers' skill needs and the relationship between education and employment. Hard copies of the report are available free of charge from [australianjobs@jobs.gov.au](mailto:australianjobs@jobs.gov.au).

## Industry Information

<http://lmip.gov.au/default.aspx?LMIP/IndustryInformation>

Find a range of key statistics for 19 broad industries including employment level, trends in employment growth and projections of future growth, as well as employment characteristics such as educational attainment, gender and median weekly earnings. Some of the data are also available in interactive data tools.

## Employment Projections

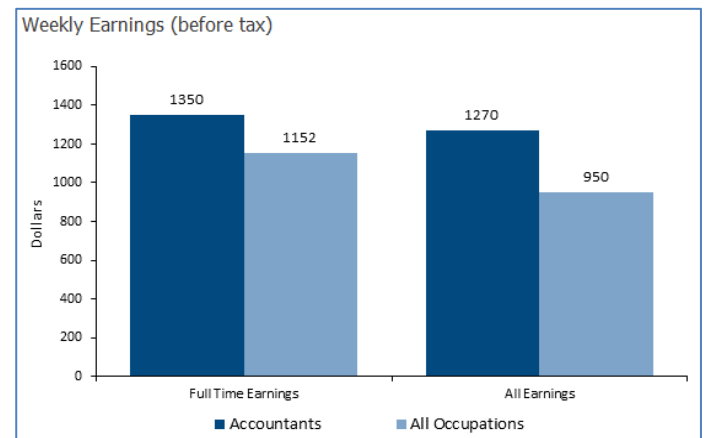
[lmip.gov.au/employmentprojections](http://lmip.gov.au/employmentprojections)

If you have ever wondered where the new jobs might be in the future, the Department of Jobs and Small Business's projections can help provide the answers. The projections are available in the form of easy to read reports, which give an overview of which industries and occupations are expected to experience the most employment growth over the next five years.

## Job Outlook

[joboutlook.gov.au](http://joboutlook.gov.au)

If you are interested in the labour market for farmers, fencers, fast food cooks, financial brokers, floor finishers, fitness instructors or florists (or any of 353 individual occupations), this site tells you how many people are employed, what hours they work, how much they are paid, the States and industries in which they work and future job prospects.



## Which skills are in shortage?

[jobs.gov.au/skill-shortages](http://jobs.gov.au/skill-shortages)

Skill shortages are often for highly experienced and specialist workers and should not be the primary basis of career decisions, but understanding the nature of employers' recruitment difficulties can be important. The results of the Department's skill shortage research are available through published reports and lists.



# Understanding your local labour market

Having an understanding of your local labour market can be useful if you are helping people make decisions about employment and training or if you are looking to develop a career plan for yourself. The Department of Jobs and Small Business has a range of products that can help you understand your local labour market.

## Labour Market Information Portal

[lmip.gov.au](http://lmip.gov.au)

The Labour Market Information Portal provides up-to-date information about your local labour market. It provides information at the national, State and regional level on:

- Unemployment and participation rates
- Employment by industry and occupation
- Centrelink and Job Services Australia customer populations

All data are presented with maps and can be viewed as charts or tables.

## Small Area Labour Markets

[jobs.gov.au/small-area-labour-markets-publication](http://jobs.gov.au/small-area-labour-markets-publication)

The Department of Jobs and Small Business's *Small Area Labour Markets* (SALM) publication contains quarterly estimates of unemployment rates, unemployment levels and the labour force at a detailed regional level across Australia, and is the only source of unemployment rate estimates at the small area level other than the five yearly ABS Census of Population and Housing.

## Regional Employment Projections

[lmip.gov.au/employmentprojections](http://lmip.gov.au/employmentprojections)

Each year, the Department of Jobs and Small Business publishes projections of employment by industry at the national, State and regional level. The projections provide an indication of the regions and industries expected to experience the most employment growth over the next five years.

## Regional Internet Vacancy Index

[lmip.gov.au/vacancyreport](http://lmip.gov.au/vacancyreport)

The monthly *Vacancy Report* is the only publicly available source of detailed data on online job advertising levels and trends, providing job ads data for 37 regions across Australia, including by occupation.

## Regional Employer Surveys

[jobs.gov.au/regional-reports-employers-recruitment-experiences](http://jobs.gov.au/regional-reports-employers-recruitment-experiences)

The Department's *Surveys of Employers' Recruitment Experiences* provide information about labour market conditions in selected regions across Australia.

In these surveys, employers give their views on a range of local recruitment issues which help to identify local employment opportunities and ways that job seekers can improve their prospects of getting a job in the local area.