

Wide Bay and Sunshine Coast

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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, Wide Bay and Sunshine Coast ER, September 2024

Job advertisement count

4,582

seasonally adjusted count

Change over the month

↑ 3.4%

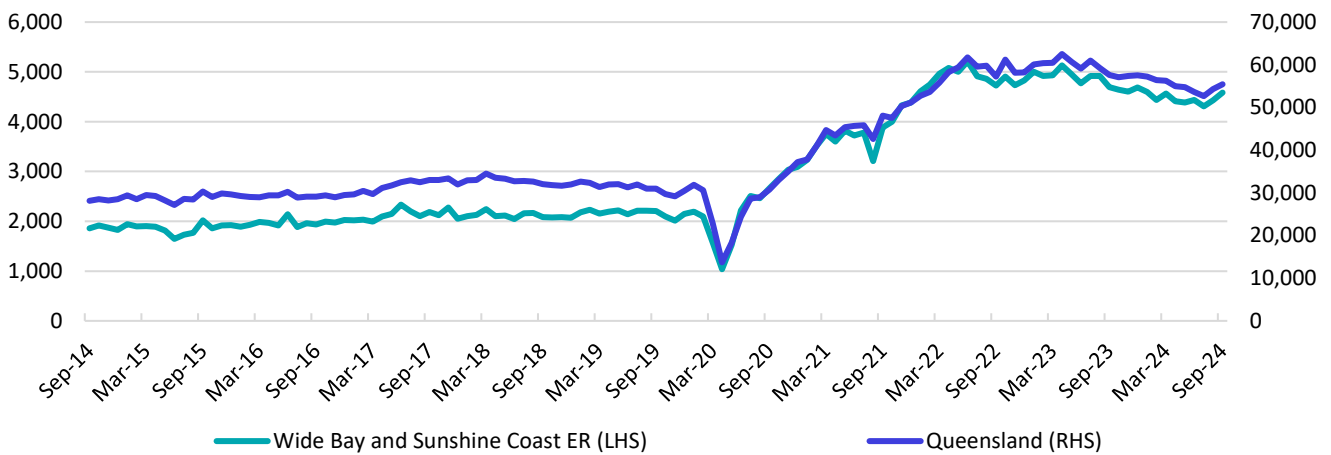
(or 151 job advertisements)

Change since Sep-23

↓ -2.4%

(or -110 job advertisements)

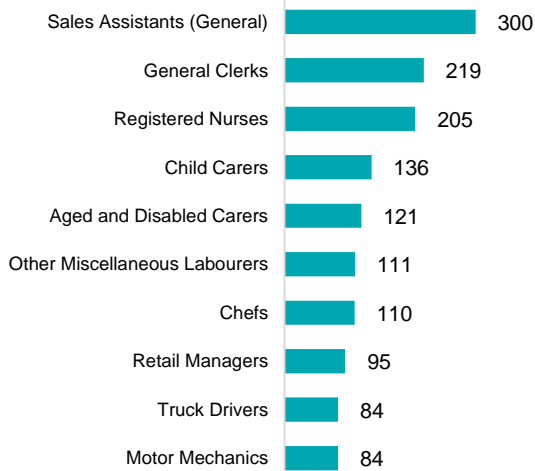
Number of online job advertisements over the ten years to September 2024



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia (JSA), Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, September 2024

Top 10 occupations recruited for

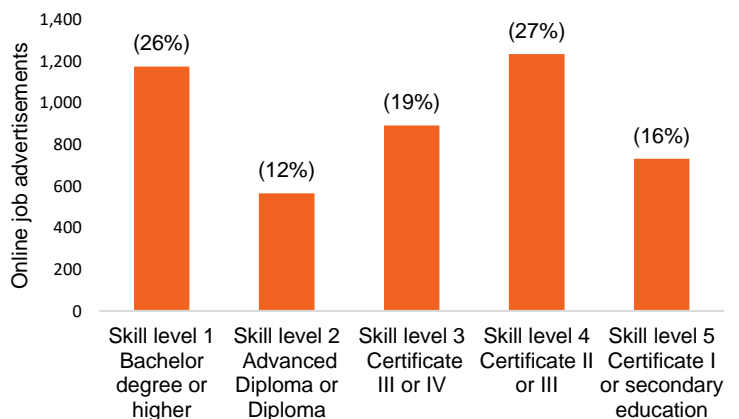
Number of job ads online



Source: JSA, Internet Vacancy Index, three month averages, Sep-2024

Job demand by skill level

Proportion of job ads



Source: JSA, Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, Sep-2024

Insights from the Recruitment Experiences and Outlook Survey

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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 August 2024, unless otherwise indicated.

Recruitment activity and experiences

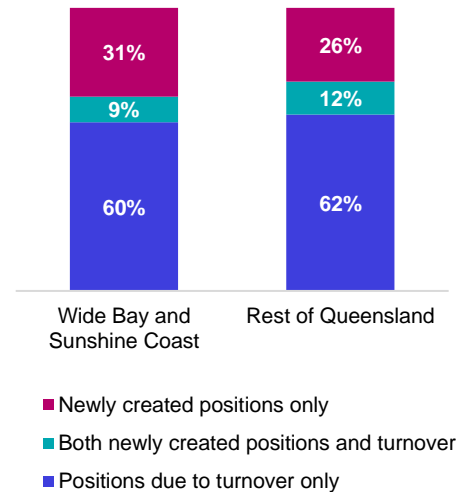
In Wide Bay and Sunshine Coast, there were 321 responding employers in the 12 months to August 2024, of whom 52% were recruiting or had recruited in the past month. Of these recruiting businesses, 57% had difficulty recruiting. By comparison, 54% of employers were recruiting in Rest of Queensland over the same period, of whom 55% had difficulty recruiting.

Employers in Wide Bay and Sunshine Coast were most likely to report the following reasons for recruitment difficulty:

- Lack of suitable applicants
- Lack of applicants
- Undesirable working conditions/hours
- Location, eg remote or regional.

A chart showing reasons for recruitment for Wide Bay and Sunshine Coast and Rest of Queensland is included to the right.

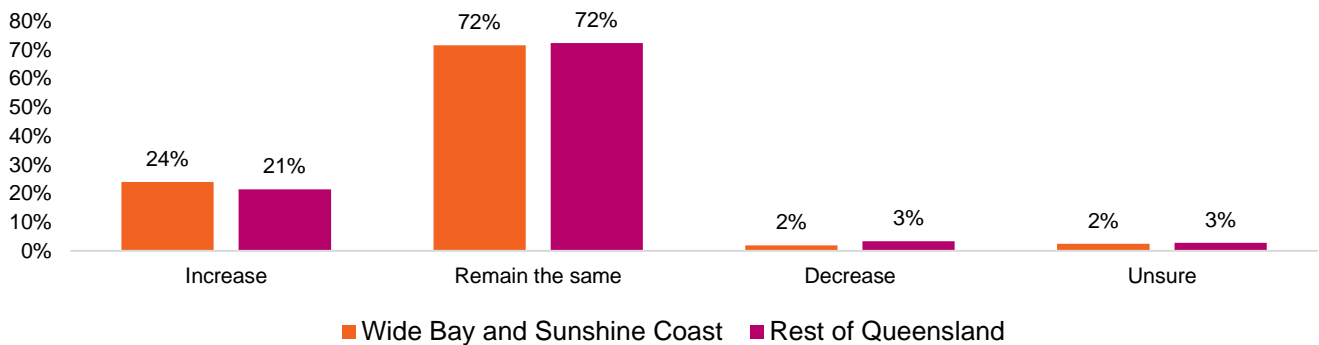
Reasons for recruitment



Staffing outlook for coming months

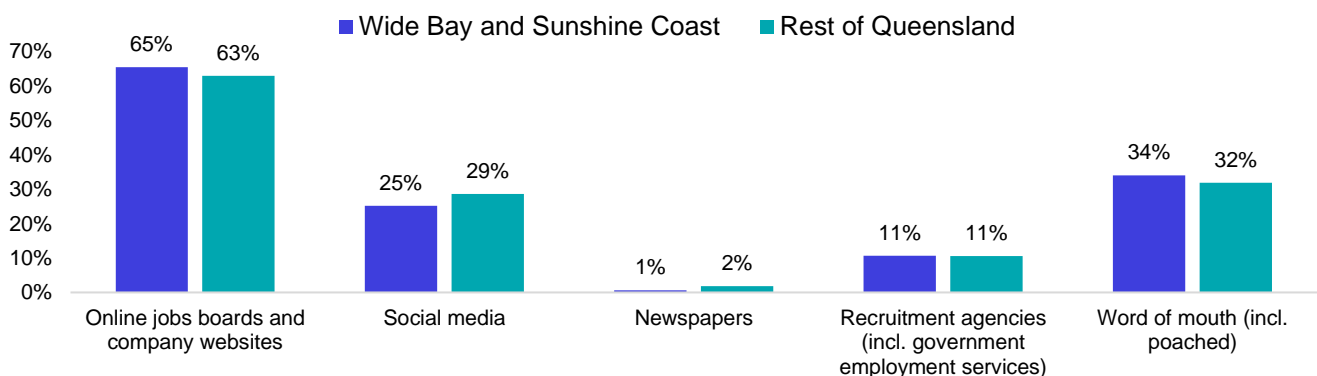
proportion of employers

Employers' staffing expectations



Recruitment methods

proportion of employers who were recruiting



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 Wide Bay and Sunshine Coast, while weighted data are used for Rest of Queensland. 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.