# Key Message

In July 2018, the Territory continues to hold the second lowest unemployment rate and the highest participation rate of all the jurisdictions. Employment levels increased with growth in full-time employment more than offsetting a fall in part-time employment.

## Employment

This table illustrates the employment status and employment numbers by persons in the Northern Territory and Australia. 

Row one are the headings: monthly change; and number of persons reported in thousands.  

Row two indicates the total employed persons in the Northern Territory increased by 0.4 to 140,616 persons.   

Row three indicates the total employed persons in the Australia increased by 0.2 to 12,581,612 persons.   

Row four indicates the total full-time employed persons in the Northern Territory increased by 0.6 to 113,178 persons.  

Row five indicates the total full-time employed persons in Australia increased by 0.2 to 8,581,153 persons.  

Row six indicates the total part-time employed persons in the Territory decreased by 0.2 to 27,438 persons.   

Row seven indicates the total part-time employed persons in Australia increased by 0.2 per cent to 4,000,459 persons.  


*Source: ABS Cat No 6202.0*

* In July 2018, there were 140 616 people employed in the Territory, an increase of 586 persons from the previous month’s revised figure.
* Territory full-time employment increased by 647 to 113 178 persons, and part-time employment decreased by 61 persons to 27 438 persons.
* Nationally, employment increased by 26 922 to 12 581 612 persons.
* National full-time employment increased by 18 164 to 8 581 153 persons and part-time employment increased by 8759 to 4 000 459 persons.

## Unemployment Rate

This table illustrates the unemployment rate in the Northern Territory and Australia.
Row one are the headings: monthly change; and rate.
Row two indicates the unemployment rate in the Northern Territory decreased by 0.1 of a percentage point to 4.0 per cent. 
Row three indicates the unemployment rate in Australia remained unchanged at 5.4 per cent.


*Source: ABS Cat No 6202.0*

* In July 2018, the Territory’s unemployment rate decreased by 0.1 of a percentage point to 4.0%, from the previous month’s revised figure.
* The Territory’s unemployment rate is the second lowest of the jurisdictions, after the Australian Capital Territory (3.6%). Tasmania reported the highest unemployment rate of 6.2%.
* Nationally, the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 5.4% from the previous month’s revised figure.

## Participation Rate

This table illustrates the participation rate in the Northern Territory and Australia. 
Row one are the headings: monthly change; and rate. 
Row two indicates the participation rate in the Northern Territory increased by 0.2 percentage points to 77.2 per cent. 
Row three indicates the participation rate in Australia remained unchanged at 65.5 per cent.


*Source: ABS**Cat No 6202.0*

* In July 2018, the Territory’s labour force participation rate increased by 0.2 percentage points to 77.2% from the previous month’s revised figure.
* The Territory had the highest participation rate, followed by the Australian Capital Territory (70.6%) and then Western Australia (68.5%).
* Nationally, the labour force participation rate remained unchanged at to 65.5% from the previous month’s revised figure.

**Chart 1: Unemployment and Participation Rates** This chart indicates the following unemployment rates for each jurisdictions:
Western Australia is 6.1 per cent. 
Tasmania is 6.2 per cent. 
Queensland is 6.1 per cent. 
South Australia is 5.6 per cent. 
Victoria is 5.1 per cent. 
New South Wales is 4.9 per cent. 
Northern Territory is 4.0 per cent. 
Australian Capital Territory is 3.6 per cent. 

The following participation rates for each jurisdictions are: 
Northern Territory is 77.2 per cent. 
Australian Capital Territory is 70.6 per cent. 
Western Australia is 68.5 per cent. 
Queensland is 65.7 per cent. 
Victoria is 65.6 per cent. 
New South Wales is 64.9 per cent. 
South Australia is 62.8 per cent. 
Tasmania is 61.5 per cent.
*Source: ABS Cat No 6202.0*

## Labour Force

This table illustrates the labour force and civilian population numbers by persons in the Northern Territory and Australia.  
Row one are the headings: monthly change; and number of persons reported in thousands.  
Row two indicates the Northern Territory labour force increased by 0.4 per cent to 146,597 persons.   
Row three indicates the Australian labour force increased by 0.2 per cent to 13,294,654 persons.   
Row four indicates the Northern Territory civilian population remained unchanged at 189,926 persons.   
Row five indicates the Australian civilian population increased by 0.1 per cent to 20,262,720 persons.  


*Source: ABS Cat No 6202.0*

* In July 2018, the Territory’s labour force increased by 669 to 146 146 persons.
* Nationally, the labour force increased by 25 663 to 13 281 850 persons.

## Apprentices and Trainees (estimate)

This table illustrates the apprentice and trainee commencements, in training and completions numbers in the Northern Territory.  
Row one are the headings: year to date change; year to date to June 2017; and year to date to June 2018. 
Row two indicates the Northern Territory's year to June 2018 commencements increased by 10.5 per cent, from 1193 to 1318. 
Row three indicates the Northern Territory's year to June 2018 completions decreased by 14.8 per cent, from 467 to 398.


*Source: Northern Territory Department of Trade, Business and Innovation*

* In the year to date to June 2018, there were 1318 apprentice and trainee commencements in the Territory, an increase of 10.5% (125) compared to the same period in the previous year.
* In the year to date to June 2018, there were 398 apprentice and trainee completions in the Territory, a decrease of 14.8% (69) compared to the same period in the previous year.
* As at 30 June 2018, there were 3281 apprentices and trainees in training.

*Caution should be exercised in the use of this data as training data has a natural lag (up to 6 months after the commencement date) and are subject to future revisions.*

## Internet Job Vacancies (June 2018)

This table illustrates the Northern Territory's monthly internet job vacancies within eight occupations.  
Row one are the headings: occupation; monthly change; and number of vacancies.  
Row two indicates the Professionals increased by 0.8 per cent to 499 vacancies.   
Row three indicates the Managers occupation increased by 0.5 per cent to 224 vacancies.   
Row four indicates the Clerical and administrative workers occupation increased by 0.1 per cent to 389 vacancies.   
Row five indicates the Community and personal service workers occupation decreased by 0.4 per cent to 193 vacancies.  
Row six indicates the Technicians and trade workers occupation decreased by 0.6 per cent to 337 vacancies.   
Row seven indicates the Sales workers occupation decreased by 0.8 per cent to 125 vacancies.   
Row eight indicates the Labourers occupation decreased by 1.8 per cent per cent to 155 vacancies.   
Row nine indicates the Machinery operators and drivers occupation decreased by 2.3 per cent per cent to 125 vacancies.   
Row ten indicates the total occupations decreased by 0.2 per cent to 1937 vacancies.  


*Source: Australian Government Department of Employment*

* In June 2018, internet job vacancies decreased by 0.2% in the Territory, with most occupation groups decreasing except for Professionals, Managers, and Clerical and administrative workers.
* In June 2018, internet job vacancies for Machinery operators and drivers reported the largest monthly decrease (2.3%), followed by Labourers (1.8%), and Sales workers (0.8%).
* In regional NT, all occupation groups recorded increases in the month, except for Sales workers and Community and administrative workers. Labourers reported the largest increase (18.8%), followed by Machinery operators and drivers (9.7%), and then Professionals (2.0%).
* In the Darwin region, the largest monthly decrease was reported for Labourers (14.2%), followed by Machinery operators and drivers (2.3%), then Technicians and trade workers (1.7%).

**Chart 2: Northern Territory Job Vacancies**

This chart indicates the following increase and decrease of job vacancies in Darwin and regional NT across all occupations:

Sales workers in Darwin increased by 0.9 per cent. 
Sales workers in regional NT decreased by 21.6 per cent. 
Community and Personal Service Workers in Darwin increased by 6.5 per cent. 
Community and Personal Service Workers in regional NT decreased by 4.5 per cent. 
Managers in Darwin increased by 6.0 per cent. 
Managers in regional NT increased by 3.3 per cent. 
Professionals in Darwin increased by 0.6 per cent. 
Professionals in regional NT increased by 2.0 per cent. 
Technicians and Trade Workers in Darwin decreased by 1.7 per cent. 
Technicians and Trade Workers in regional NT increased by 1.2 per cent. 
Clerical and Administrative Workers in Darwin increased by 2.9 per cent. 
Clerical and Administrative Workers in regional NT increased by 0.5 per cent.
Labourers in Darwin decreased by 14.2 per cent.  
Labourers in regional NT increased by 18.8 per cent.  
Machinery operators and drivers in Darwin decreased by 2.3 per cent. 
Machinery operators and drivers in regional NT increased by 9.7 per cent.


*Source: Department of Employment (Australian Government)*