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SEEK EMPLOYMENT REPORT

Overview of September 2019:

STATE OF THE NATION:

- SEEK job ads are down by 7.4% y/y
- Average advertised salary is up by 2.5% y/y (average national salary is \$88,652)
- Sectors with the highest job ad growth y/y include: Community Services & Development (18.5%), Farming, Animals & Conservation (13.4%), Education & Training (7.8%), Healthcare & Medical (7.4%), Government & Defence (6.8%)
- Industries with greatest salary growth include: Education & Training (4.4%), Banking & Financial Services (4.2%), Manufacturing, Transport & Logistics (4%) and Sport & Recreation (3.7%).

STATE OF THE STATES:

- Job ad volumes are growing in the following states: ACT (9.5%), WA (1.6%) and TAS (1.4%) (y/y to Sept 2019)
- All states are showing an increase in salary with TAS (6.2%) leading the way, followed by NT (3.5%), QLD (3.3%), SA (3.2%), VIC (2.9%) and NSW (2.2%).

STATE OF THE NATION

The latest SEEK Employment Report shows a decline of 7.4% in jobs advertised (y/y to September, 2019).

Community Services & Development (18.5%) lead as the sector with the highest job ad growth for September, 2019 (vs. Sept 2018), followed by Farming, Animals & Conservation (13.4%), Education & Training (7.8%) and Healthcare & Medical (7.4%).

Kendra Banks, Managing Director, SEEK ANZ comments:

"We are seeing a slight improvement in the market with the rate of job ad decline moderating, with September at -7.4% compared to August, which was -8.6%.

Month to month we continue to see growth come from the large employing sectors of Community Services and Development which has seen a jump from 13% y/y in August to 18.5% in September. Over the same period Healthcare & Medical jumped from 4.6% to 7.4%.

The employment demand across a wide range of roles within social services, particularly children and aged care support is a common theme. Specific roles include Aged & Disability Support, Childcare and Secondary teaching and Aged Care Nurses."

STATE OF THE NATION: SALARY

The average advertised salary across Australia is \$88,652 which is up 2.5% compared to last year (Sept, 2019). The states with the highest average salaries are WA at \$90,930 and NSW at \$90,422. In WA, the Mining, Resources & Energy sectors and Engineering sectors contribute to this higher average. NSW tells a similar story, with Mining, Resources & Energy and Construction contributing to the average.

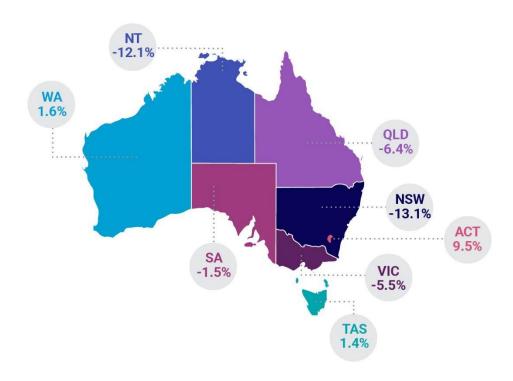


Table 2: Average Advertised Salaries Seasonally Adjusted (September 2019 vs. September 2018)

SALARIES SEASONALLY ADJUSTED									
AUG 19	ACT	NSW	NT	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	QLD	AUS
% increase	1.6%	2.2%	3.5%	3.2%	6.2%	2.9%	1.8%	3.3%	2.5%
avg. \$	\$89,970	\$90,422	\$87,829	\$81,901	\$80,407	\$88,066	\$90,930	\$85,799	\$88,652

Figure 1: National SEEK Job Ad growth by state (September 2019 vs. September 2018)

Job ad growth: State-by-state



Source: SEEK Employment Index, September 2019 vs September 2018



Figure 2: National SEEK Job Ad growth by industry (September 2019 vs. September 2018)

Australian job ad growth by industry



Source: SEEK Employment Index, September 2019 vs September 2018

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It also includes the SEEK New Job Ad Index which measures only new job ads posted within the reported month to provide a clean measure of demand for labour across all classifications.

SEEK's total job ad volume (not disclosed in this report) includes duplicated job advertisements and refreshed job ads. As a result, the SEEK New Job Ad Index does not always match the movement in SEEK's total job ad volume.

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