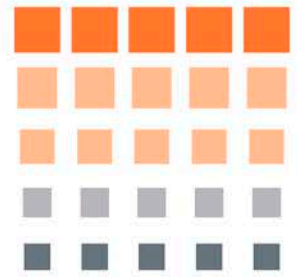




South Australian Resources Jobs Report Vacancy Analysis

FY 2017-2018
October Summary



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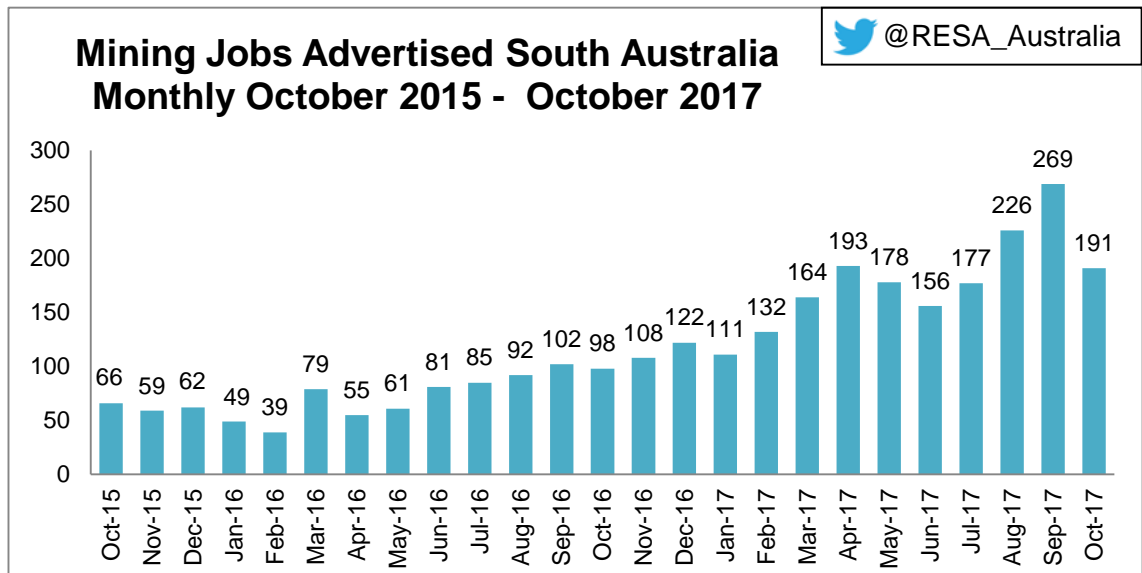


The Resources and Engineering Skills Alliance collects and analyses South Australian resources sector jobs data and has done so for more than five years.

The [RESA South Australia Mining and Resources Jobs Reports Vacancy Analysis](#)¹ provides a lead indicator of hiring intentions and market sentiment.

In October 2017, 191 mining and resources advertisements for jobs were placed for roles in South Australia. While these results are down on the previous 2 months, the number of jobs advertised has almost doubled from October 2016. Slowing of jobs advertised is also to be expected coming into the holiday period in preparation for shutdowns.

Graph 1

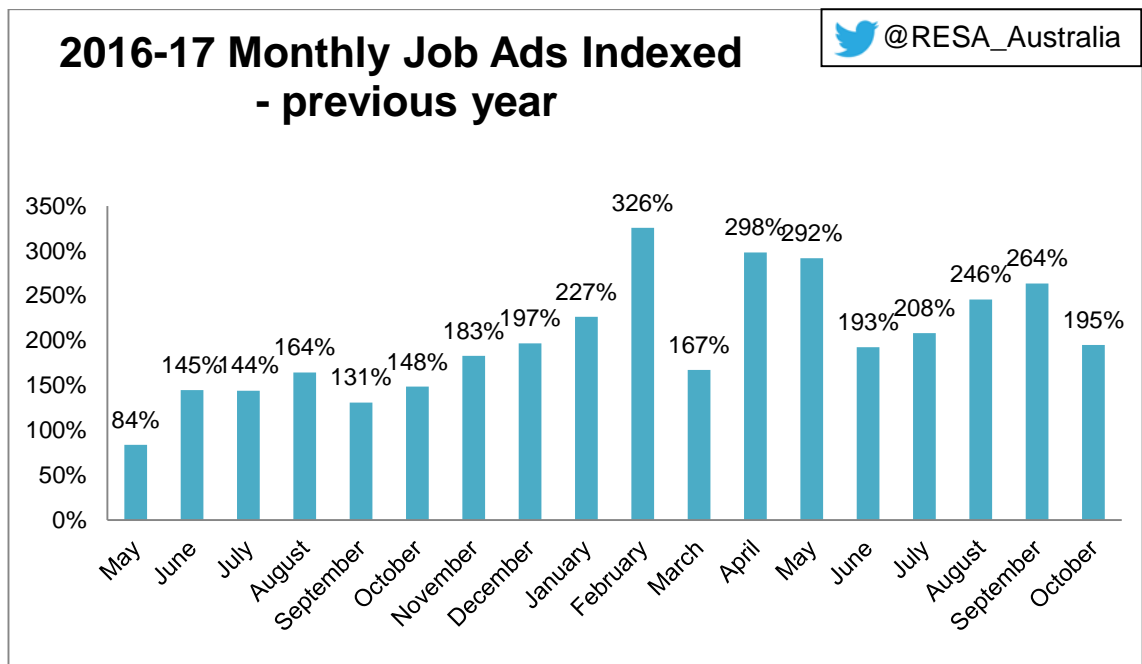


¹ RESA monitors online job advertisements for vacancies for occupations in the resources sector based in South Australia. Where a single vacancy is for multiple positions it is counted

INDEX DATA

Job Ads analysis for 2016-17 indicates that the number of jobs advertised has remained significantly and consistently higher when indexed in a simple comparison against the corresponding month in the previous year. Graph 2 shows this year's result as a percentage of the previous year's advertisements. Seventeen months of positive growth provides a leading indicator of employment intentions (labour demand) in the South Australian Mining Industry.

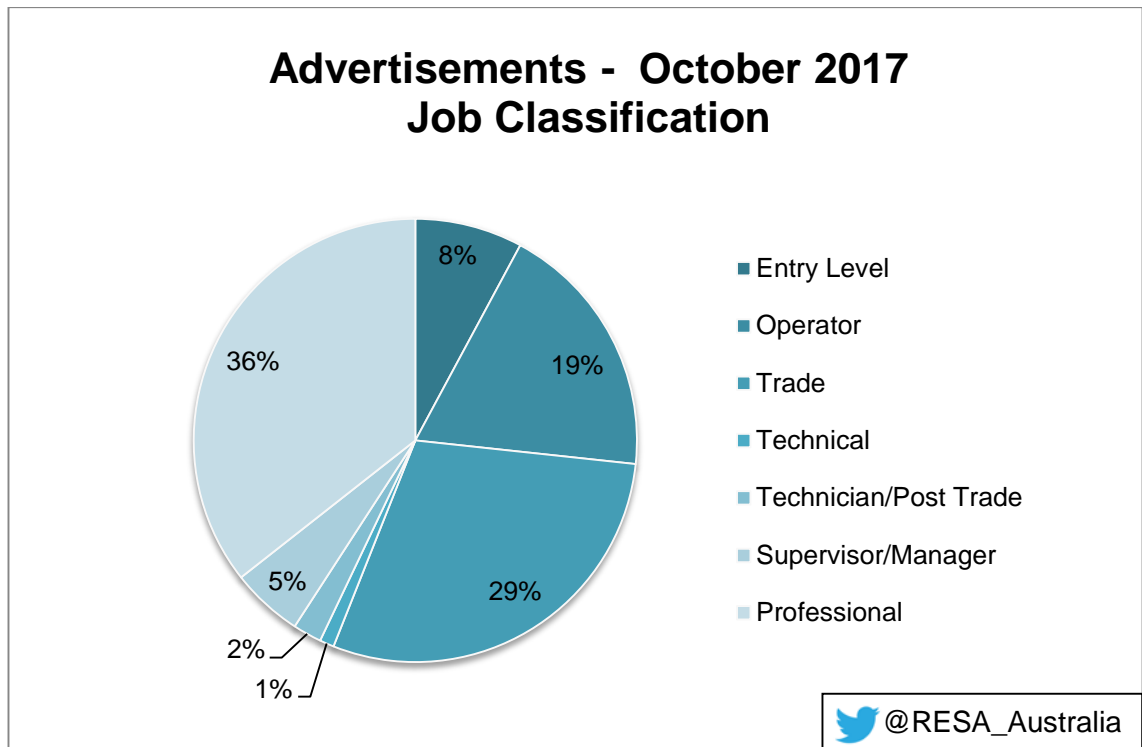
Graph 2



JOB CLASSIFICATION

Graph 3 shows that in October 2017 there was a shift to professional roles being the most in demand. Although trade and operator occupations dropped in demand to be the second and third most advertised, there is still strong demand for these occupations.

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The occupational breakdown for October shows an increase in the proportion of equipment operators, as well as an increase in environmental occupations. There was a decrease in maintenance, mechanical/metal although they still represent over 20% of vacancies.

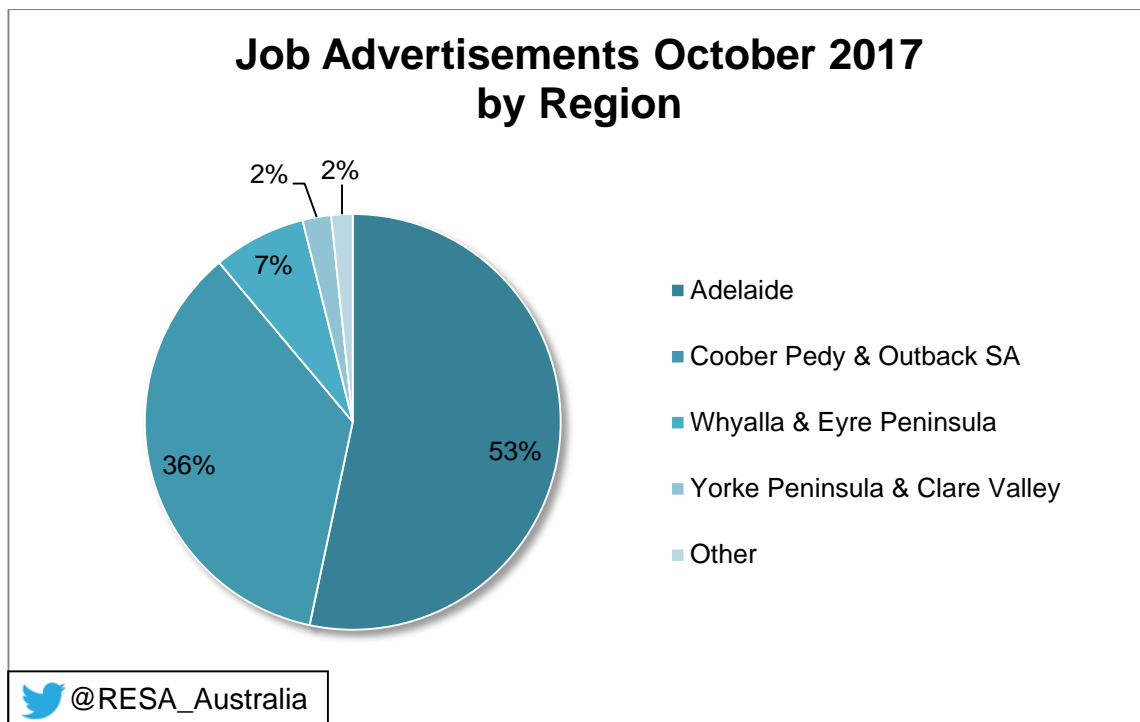
LOCATION

In October the Adelaide metropolitan area continued to be the region for the majority of the positions advertised. With Coober Pedy and Outback SA continuing to be the second most advertised region.

In addition, just under 50% of the roles advertised were explicitly for non-metropolitan South Australia. Of the vacancies advertised in Adelaide over 40% were in occupations such as drilling and blasting, equipment operation and mechanical / metal – occupations likely to be undertaken in regional areas.

This is a positive indicator for regional employment as projects in the regions are continuing to be developed and operated.

Graph 4





CONCLUSION

During October the number of positions advertised more than double the vacancies listed in the same period in 2016. This continues consistent growth in employment opportunities in the resources sector since February 2016.

Job opportunities have been listed by over 77 individual companies made up of mining companies, recruitment and labour hire companies and METS sector organisations. This represents a very diverse workforce for the sector.

ABOUT THIS REPORT

The South Australia Mining and Energy Hiring Intentions Report is a quarterly indicator compiled by RESA based upon publicly available data. This report focusses on job advertisements as an indicator of employment trends rather than as a summary of total employment or economic activity in the sector, and as such is intended as a measure of market sentiment.

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