

Weekly Payroll Jobs - Week ending 16 March 2024

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Total payroll jobs in the ACT increased over the month to 16 March 2024.

Total payroll jobs increased 0.8 per cent in the ACT over the month to 16 March 2024, to be 1.5 per cent higher through the year. The results were mixed among industries, with *Education & training* (6.2 per cent) and *Arts & recreation services* (2.6 per cent) recording the highest rises while *Transport, postal & warehousing* (-1.9 per cent), *Agriculture, forestry & fishing* (-1.8 per cent) and *Electricity, gas, water & waste services* (-1.2 per cent) recording the largest falls.

Nationally, payroll jobs increased 0.4 per cent over the month to 16 March 2024, to be 1.5 per cent higher through the year. The largest growth in payroll jobs were *Education & training* (3.8 per cent), *Arts & recreation services* (2.0 per cent), and *Health care & social assistance* (0.9 per cent). Payroll jobs rose in all eight states and territories over the month, with the strongest rise in Northern Territory (1.3 per cent), followed by the ACT (0.8 per cent). ABS noted that “*While there was an increase in payroll jobs this month, this growth was slightly less than what we saw this time last year. It was also still generally trending lower in 2023-24 than through 2022-23.*”

Key Measures, ACT and Australia, Week ending 16 March 2024^{1, 5}

State	Change (%)			
	Fortnightly ²	Monthly ³	TTY ⁴	Since week ending 14 March 2020
ACT				
Employee jobs	0.3	0.8	1.5	15.6
Male	0.0	0.0	-3.1	5.1
Female	0.3	0.8	-1.1	5.9
15-19 year olds	1.9	2.1	-0.3	17.1
Australia				
Employee jobs	0.1	0.4	1.5	15.6
Male	-0.1	-0.1	-2.8	3.6
Female	0.1	0.4	-0.8	7.3
15-19 year olds	0.6	-0.9	-5.7	23.6

¹Employee jobs and total employee wages are released as indices only, using the week ending 14 March 2020 as the reference week (index=100), when Australia recorded its 100th confirmed COVID-19 case.

²Between week ending 02 March 2024 and week ending 16 March 2024

³Between week ending 17 February 2024 and week ending 16 March 2024

⁴Through the year (TTY) is the percentage change from the same period in the previous year.

⁵The 'total' index of Persons is calculated from the combined levels of Males, Females and 'unknown' (persons for whom Male/Female sex information is not available). As at 16 March 2024, the proportion of jobholders with unknown sex has risen to 8.9% for Australia.

Chart 1: Payroll Jobs Index and Through the Year Change in Payroll Jobs, ACT and Australia

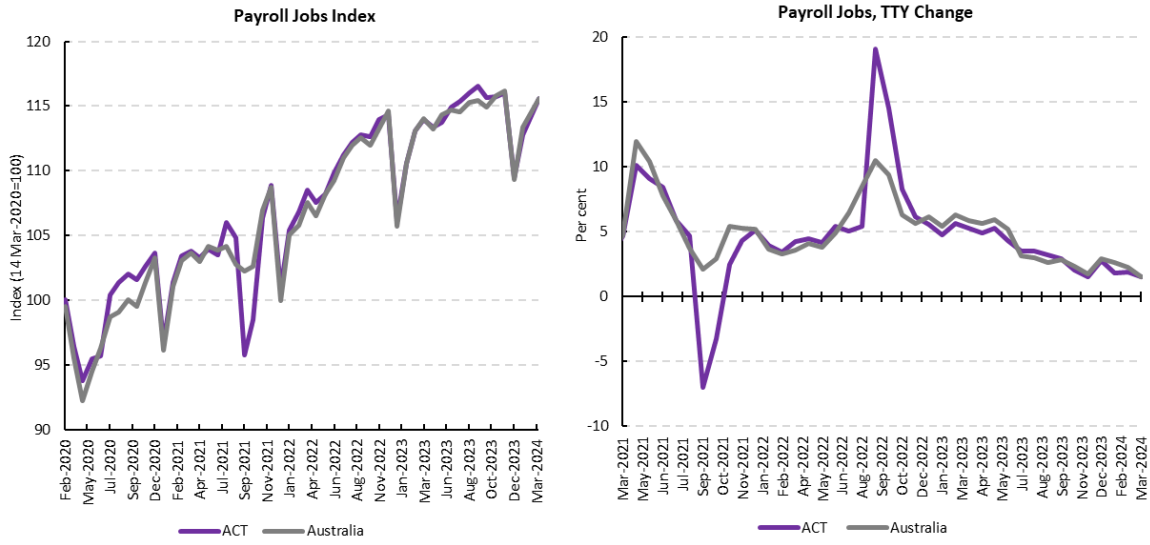


Chart 2: Change in Payroll Jobs, by Gender, ACT and Australia

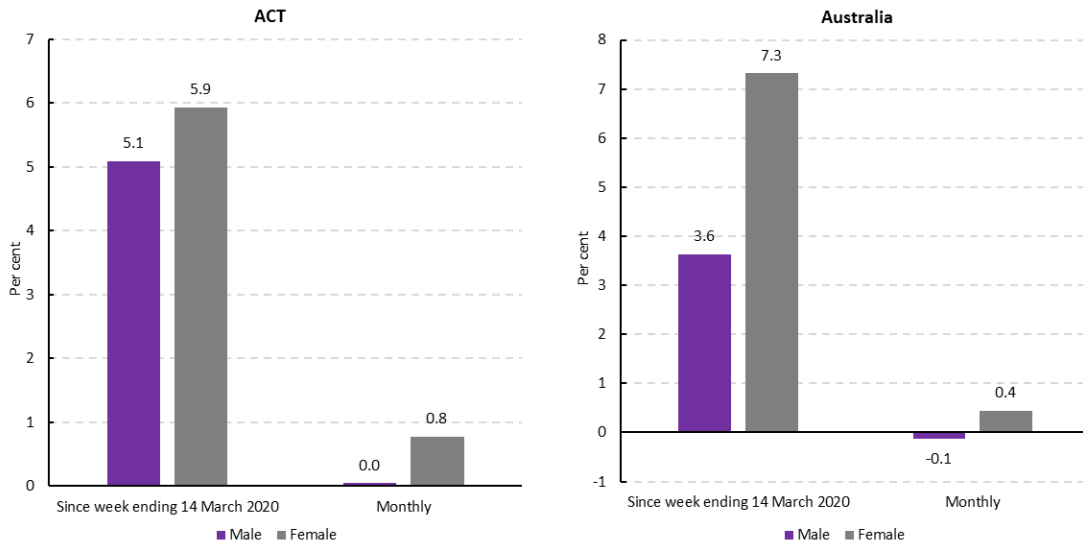


Chart 3: Change in Payroll Jobs, by Age, ACT and Australia

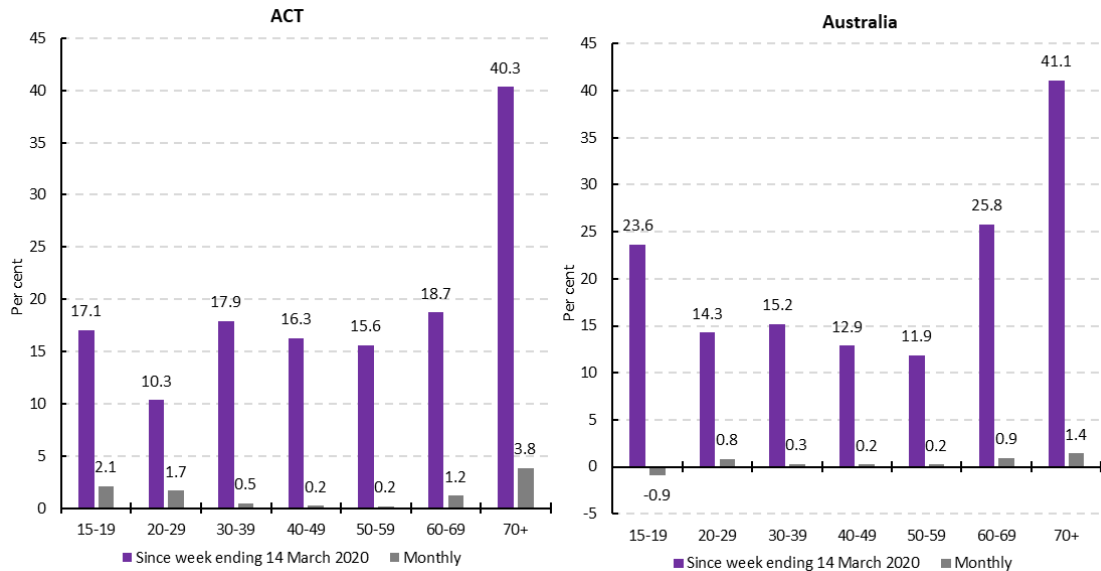


Chart 4: Change in Payroll Jobs since Week ending 14 March 2020, by Industry, ACT and Australia

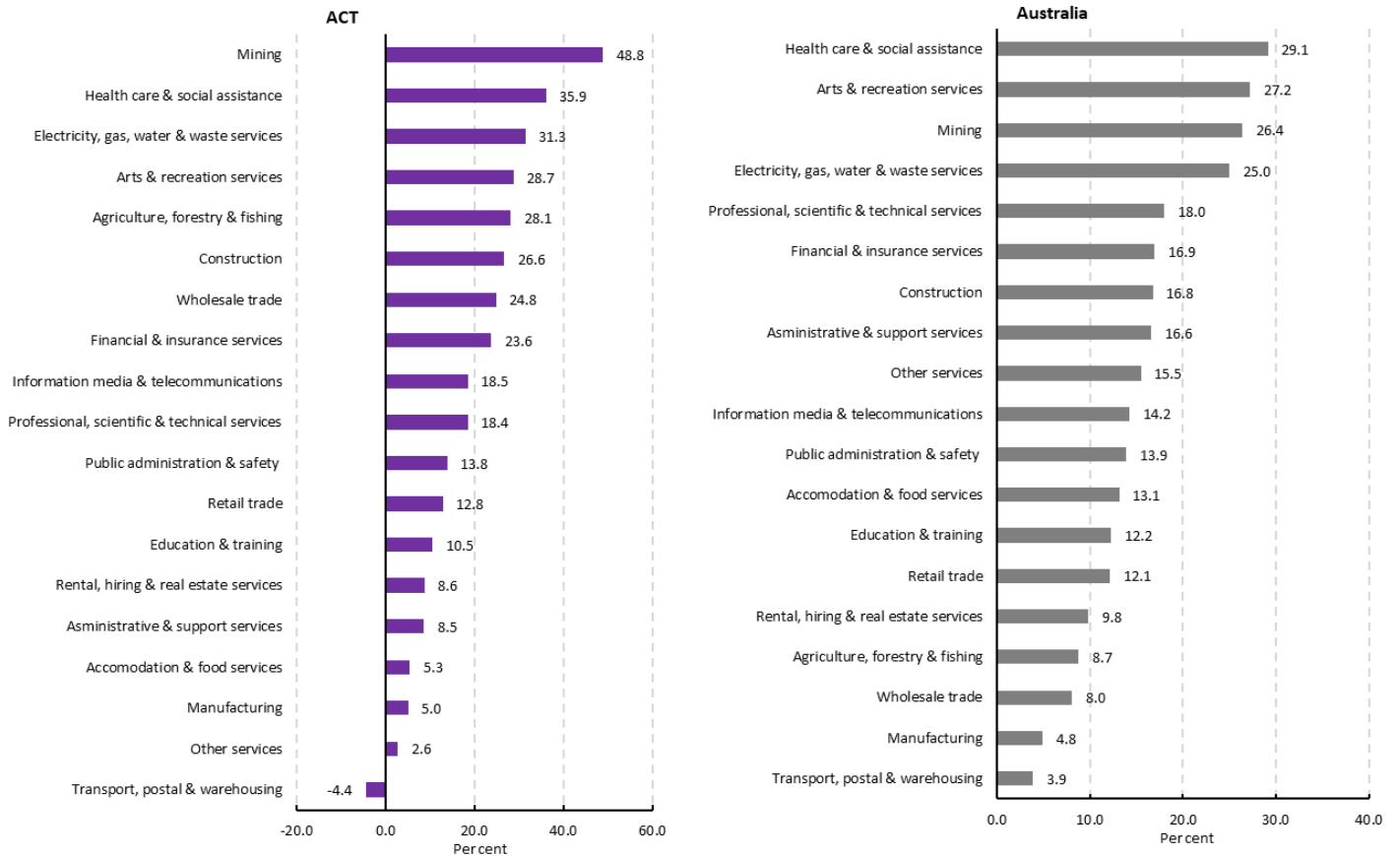


Chart 5: Change in Payroll Jobs since Week ending 14 March 2020, by State and Territory

