



Dear Subscriber,

The Australian labour market is changing rapidly as the COVID-19 situation continues to develop. We have begun publishing research and analysis on labour market conditions to ensure you have the information you need to understand the effects that COVID-19 is having on the labour market, and to explore how jobs may be changing.

Three sections of LMIP have recently been updated. They are:

### **Special Topic Reports**

This page has been updated with a number of research and analysis insights related to the early impacts of COVID-19 on the labour market. Key information available includes:

- A link to an interactive tool the Department has developed comparing the relative physical proximity and exposure to disease that different types of occupations have.
- Summary information about Skills Match, a personalised tool on the Department of Education, Skills and Employment *Job Outlook* ([www.joboutlook.gov.au](http://www.joboutlook.gov.au)) website designed to help job seekers identify their skills, then present them with new job ideas they may be able to transfer these skills into and that may be in demand right now.
- A brief summarising industry employment in sectors affected by Stage 1 and 2 restrictions and where demand for jobs may increase in the short term.

All of this information and more can be found here:

<http://lmip.gov.au/default.aspx?LMIP/GainInsights/SpecialTopicReports>

### **Employers' Recruitment Insights page update**

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected recruitment in many industries. To help those who are currently looking for a job, the Employers' Recruitment Insights page has been updated with some useful advice and tips. We will continue to update this page as more information and research becomes available.

<http://lmip.gov.au/default.aspx?LMIP/GainInsights/EmployersRecruitmentInsights>

### **Explore the data regional mapping channel**

February 2020 data, including unemployment rates and industry and occupation of employment, have been published for the two geographical classifications below.

- Statistical Area 4 (SA4) data  
[http://lmip.gov.au/maps.aspx?layer=LabourForceRegions&region=LabourForceRegion\(SA4\)](http://lmip.gov.au/maps.aspx?layer=LabourForceRegions&region=LabourForceRegion(SA4))
- Employment Region data  
<http://lmip.gov.au/maps.aspx?layer=EmploymentRegions&region=EmploymentRegion>

Note: the February 2020 release covers a reference period before the introduction of significant emergency control measures for COVID-19. For more information about the impacts of COVID-19 and the recent bushfires on Labour Force Survey estimates, please visit the ABS website:

<https://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/ProductsbyCatalogue/5F60A449AE6DE5F6CA25809000ED52A?OpenDocument>

The LMIP team will continue to update these pages with newly released data and further labour market insights. We will also notify you on a regular basis of these updates.

Regards,  
Labour Market Information Portal team