

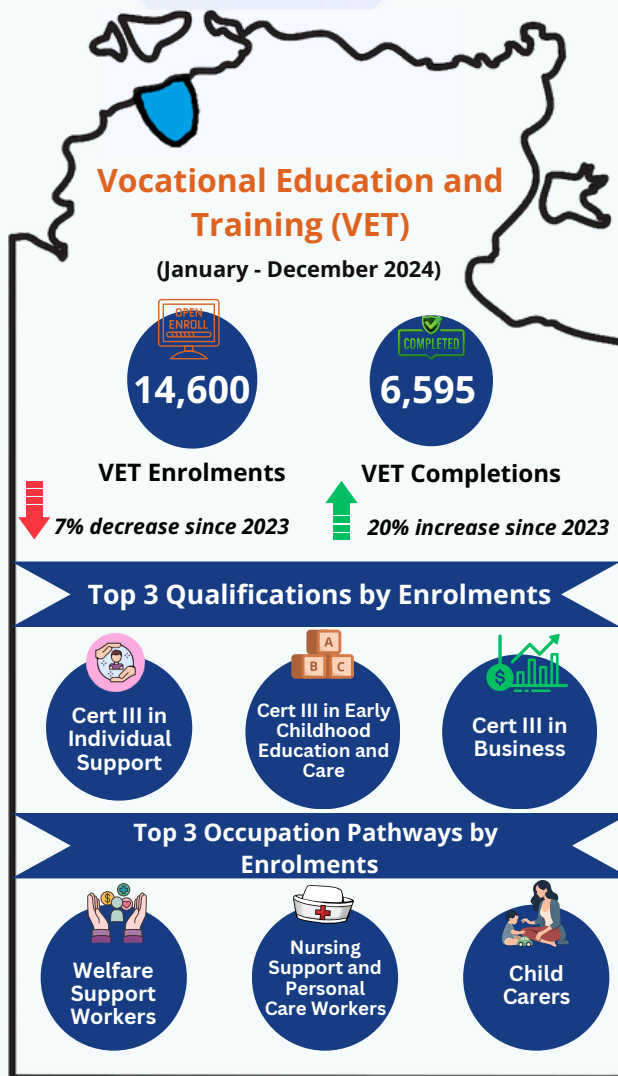
Greater Darwin

This region comprises the Local Government Areas of Darwin, Palmerston, Litchfield and Wagait Shire.

Total Workforce

91,508

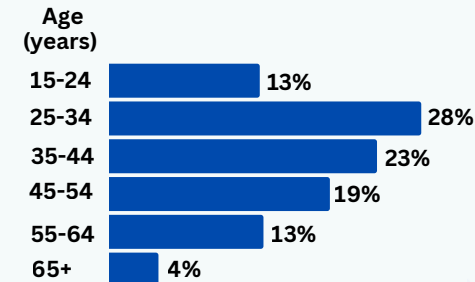
(February 2026)



Workforce



Employment by Gender (June 2021)



Age Breakdown (June 2021)

12,440

Total Registered Businesses

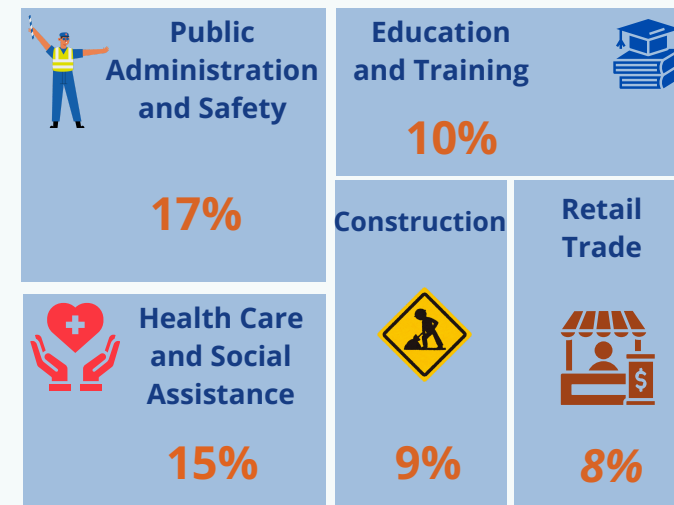
(2025)

3%

Unemployment Rate

(December 2025)

Top 5 Industries by Workforce Count (2023/24)



Resident Population (2021)

by age, gender and Indigenous status

147,971

Total Resident Population

Age (years)

Age (years)	Male	Female
0-24	52%	48%
25-44	50%	50%
45-64	52%	48%
65+	52%	48%

13%

Indigenous Population

Greater Darwin's population is expected to be 172,614 in 2031.

Examples of Occupations in Demand for Top 5 Industries (2025)



Aged or Disabled Carer



Civil Engineer



Early Childhood (Pre-primary School) Teacher



Electrician (General)



Gardener (General)



General Practitioner



Policy and Planning Manager



Primary School Teacher



Security Officer



Workforce Challenges



High employee turnover



Inadequate skilled workforce



High relocation costs



Training time for certain occupations is lengthy



Workforce Solutions



Providing in-house training and upskilling workforce



Promoting good workplace culture which identifies and promotes workers



Providing flexible working arrangements



Using employee attraction and retention strategies



Incentivising high performance workers at the workplace

WHAT DOES ISACNT DO

- Workforce development
- Support training package development
- Promote vocational education and training
- Provide advice and intelligence

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