

Australia's booming industries: Science & Technology

Australia's transition to an 'Innovation Nation' is having an impact on recruitment in the Science & Technology industry. It was among the fastest-growing industries on SEEK in 2017 with job opportunities up 22%.

Australian Government investment in research and development reached [\\$10.3 billion](#) in 2017-18. Alen Skaro, National Manager at specialist science and technology recruitment agency Techstaff, says this is leading to a greater need for talented individuals. "We believe this will create an ongoing demand for scientific and technical professionals," he says.

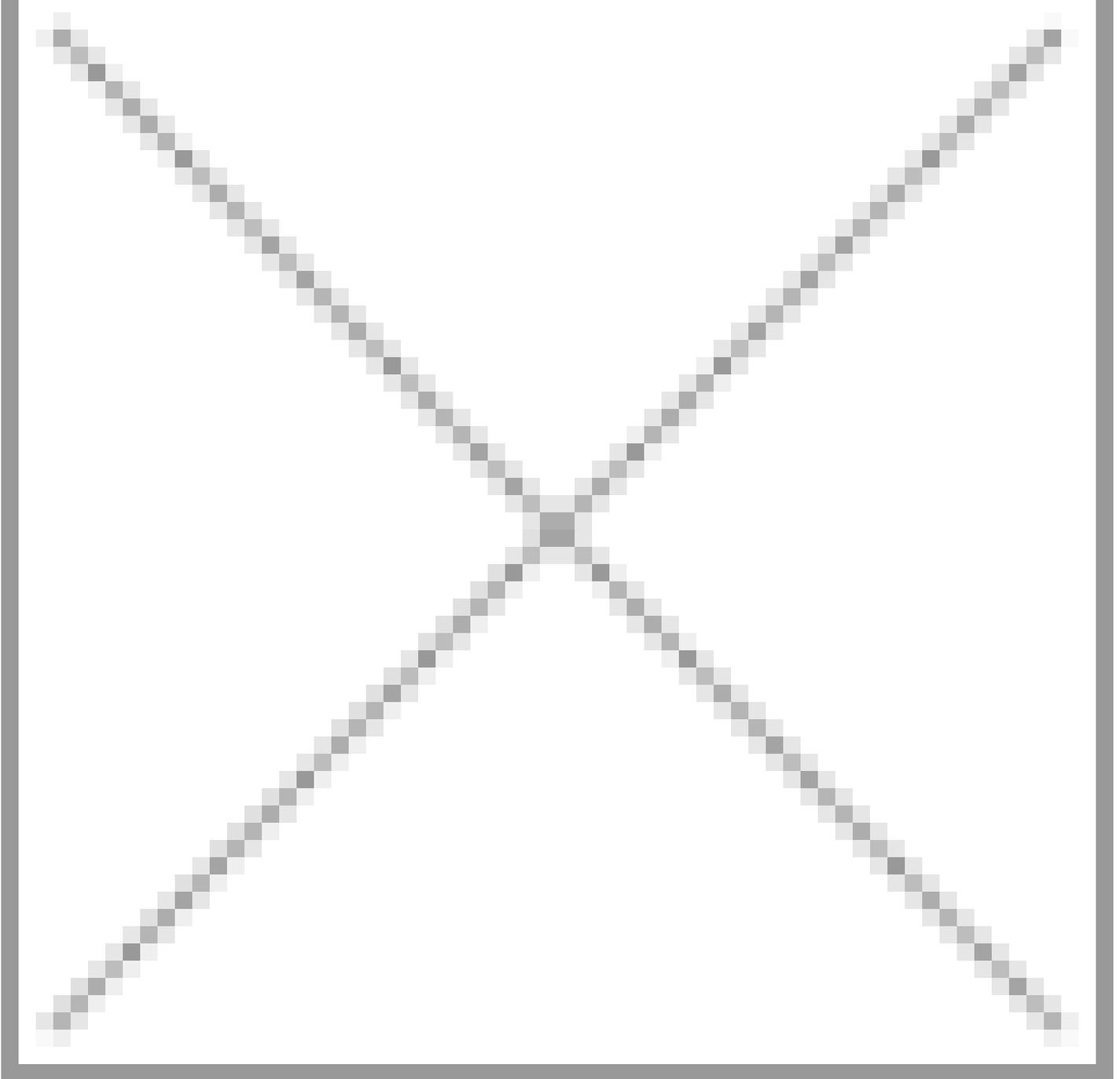
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A look across the country:

SEEK data shows that, with the exception of the Northern Territory, all regions experienced growth in job opportunities. This growth was primarily driven by eastern seaboard states – New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland.

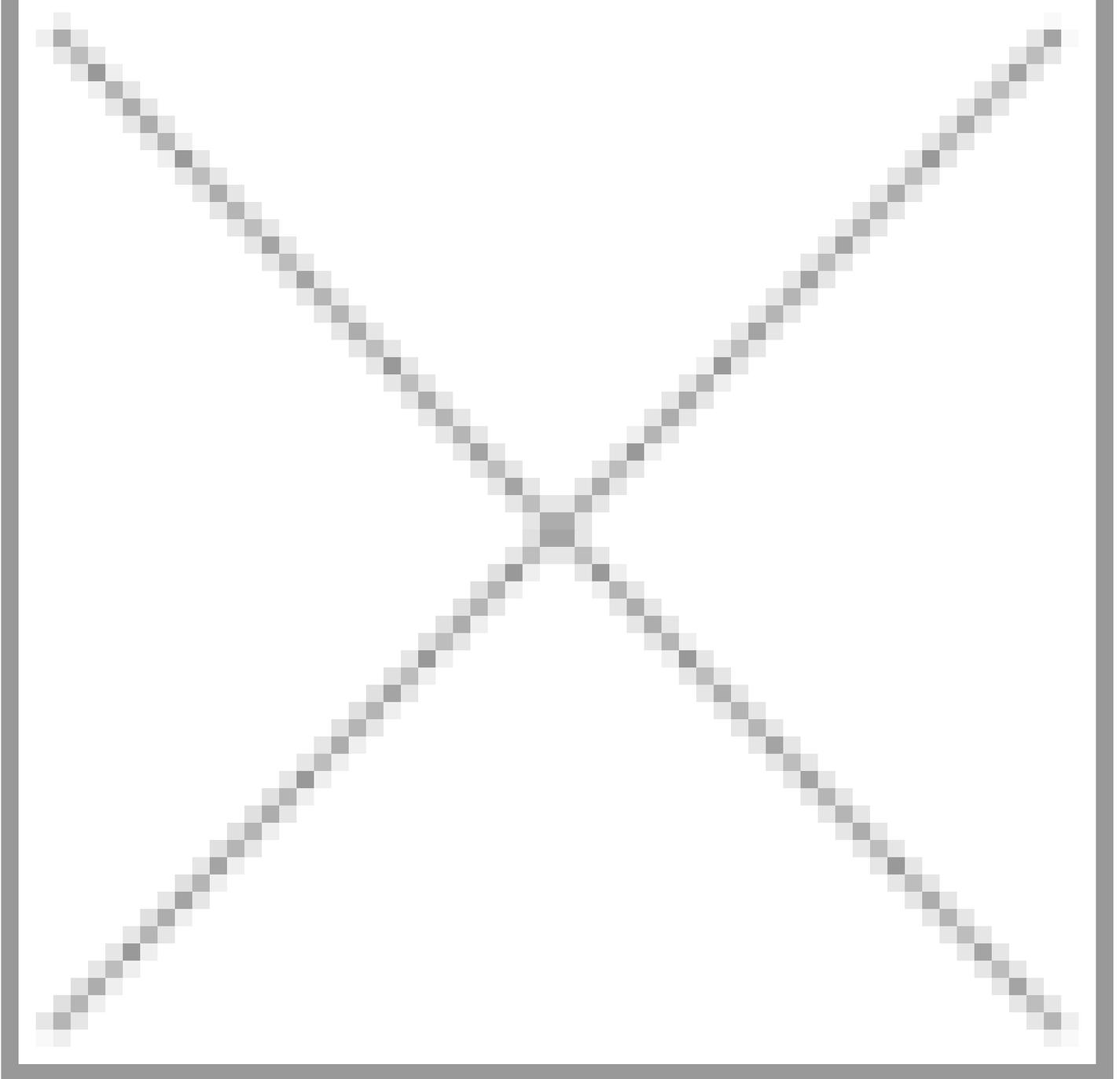
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The roles driving job growth:

Key areas of growth in job opportunities were found in Environmental, Earth & Geosciences (8.9%), Mathematical, Statistics & Information Sciences (4.2%) and Laboratory & Technical Services (3.5%).

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Trending roles in Science & Technology:

Job opportunities in Modelling & Simulation saw the largest growth in applications from job seekers with an astonishing 90.3% increase year-on-year. In addition to taking out the second position for largest growth in opportunities, Mathematical, Statistics & Information Sciences also saw the second highest growth figure for applications, up 69.1% from the previous year.

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What employers want:

Skaro's advice to individuals looking to get into Science & Technology is to find the right specialist and expand your networks. "Ensure your resume is current, concise and highlights the experience and skills you require for the role. Industry or networking events and partnering with a specialist scientific and technical recruiter will also ensure you establish industry-specific contacts and networks," he says.

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