

Remote Towns Jobs Profile

2023

Utopia



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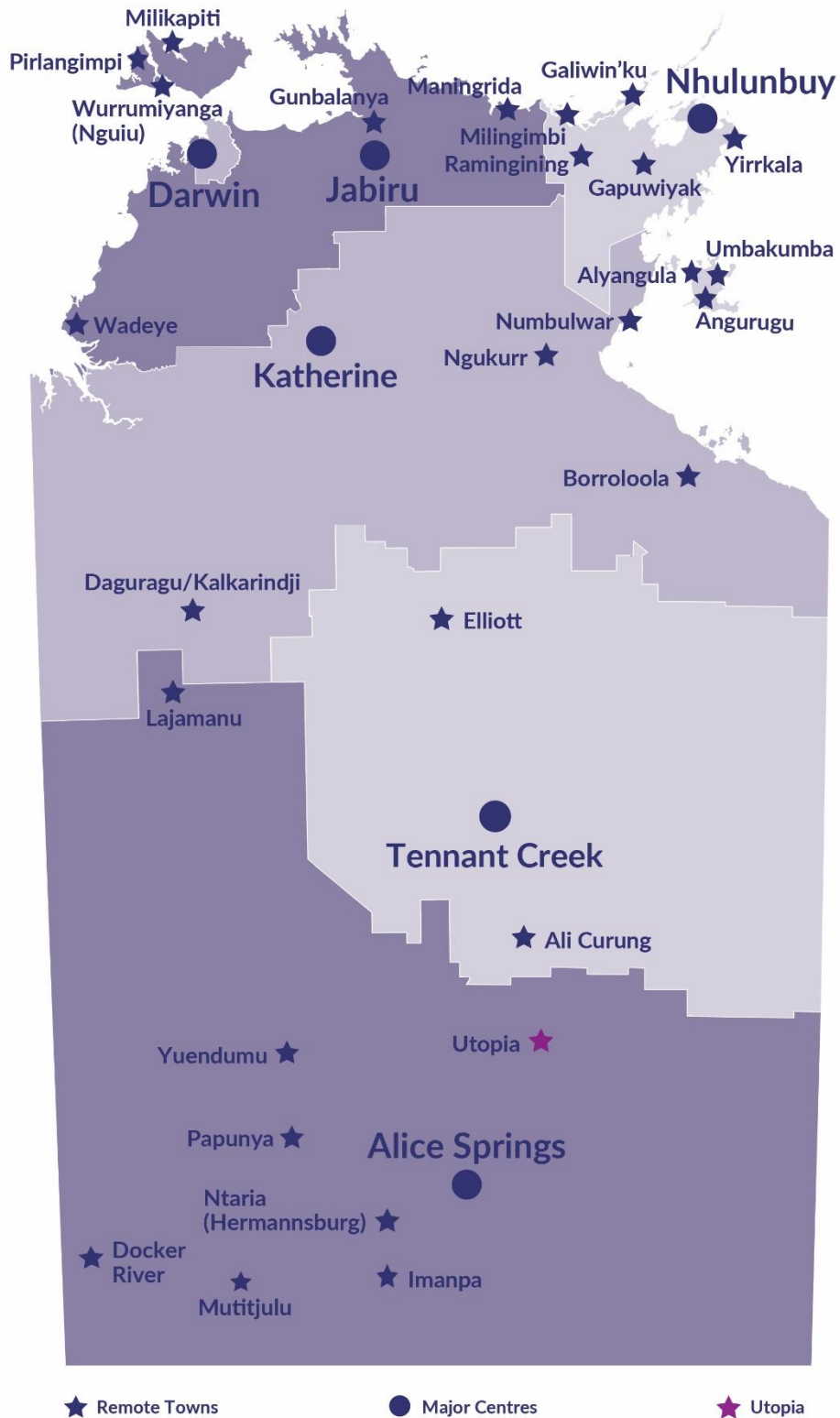
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Utopia

Utopia is a region covering approximately 5000² kilometres of land north-east of Alice Springs and comprises of several large and small communities, with a population of 446 residents.



Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Introduction

This jobs profile provides a snapshot of jobs and the characteristics of job holders in Utopia as of September 2023. Trends from the surveys conducted in 2011, 2014, and 2017 are also described. Additionally, it presents data on Community Development Program activity, Population, and Vocational Education and Training.

This job profile is one of 28 profiles developed for remote towns in the Northern Territory. It is anticipated these, and subsequent profiles will contribute to a robust evidence base to inform decision making in and relating to these remote Territory towns.

This profile contains information collected by the Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade from businesses operating within the town and is supplemented by other administrative data sets and information.

Each profile provides up-to-date information that is intended to inform the planning and design of current and future government programs and as an evidence base to inform decision making relating to workforce development, enterprise and job opportunities.

The profile may best be understood as a point-in-time tool. The number of business surveys from which the data was drawn is significantly less than in earlier surveys, and business participation has decreased with each survey. For Utopia, 36% fewer businesses than in 2017 are reported here.

The data collection methodology and corresponding questionnaire were created in partnership with the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) and in accordance with ABS data quality framework and survey principles.

The Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trades' Territory Engagement and Delivery, Skills Initiative and VET data teams collaborated with the Northern Institute at Charles Darwin University to facilitate the surveys and reports.

The information collected and reported on represents a significant goodwill investment by those businesses and organisations that participated. Each business is listed at the end of this publication.

Summary

The 2023 jobs profile was developed based on responses from 6 businesses operating within the Utopia town boundary, 5 less than in the 2017 survey. Of these, there were:

- 3 businesses from the Private Sector, accounting for 48 filled jobs or 63% of total filled jobs
- 3 businesses from the Public Sector, accounting for 28 filled jobs or 37% of total filled jobs.

A total of 103 filled and vacant jobs in Utopia were reported.¹

The 2023 profile highlights:

- there were 76 filled jobs of which:
 - 48 jobs (63%) were filled by Aboriginal people
 - 28 jobs (37%) were filled by non-Aboriginal people
 - 45% of employed Aboriginal people are working in the Private Sector
 - Aboriginal females made up 27.6% of total Aboriginal filled jobs
- there were 27 vacant jobs, of which:
 - job vacancies as a percentage of jobs is 26.2%
 - job vacancies equate to 1 in 4 jobs
 - 13 of the vacancies were in Community and Personal Service Workers area
- Public Administration and Safety was the largest industry employer in 2023 with 38 filled jobs, followed by Education and Training with 26
- Community Services, Health and Education was the largest training activity sector in 2023 with 22 students, followed by Engineering and Mining with 18.

The overall population in Utopia decreased by 72 people (14%) between 2011 and 2021 to 446 people.

In comparison, the overall Northern Territory population increased by 9.7% between 2011 and 2021.

In 2021, the working age population (15 years and over) in Utopia was an estimated 320 people compared to 347 in 2011, a decrease of 7.8%.

There were 0.3 jobs in Utopia per working age person. There were 0.3 jobs per working age person across the 28 remote towns in the Northern Territory.

¹ The number of filled jobs does not represent numbers of people as a person may have several jobs or one job may be shared by more than one person.

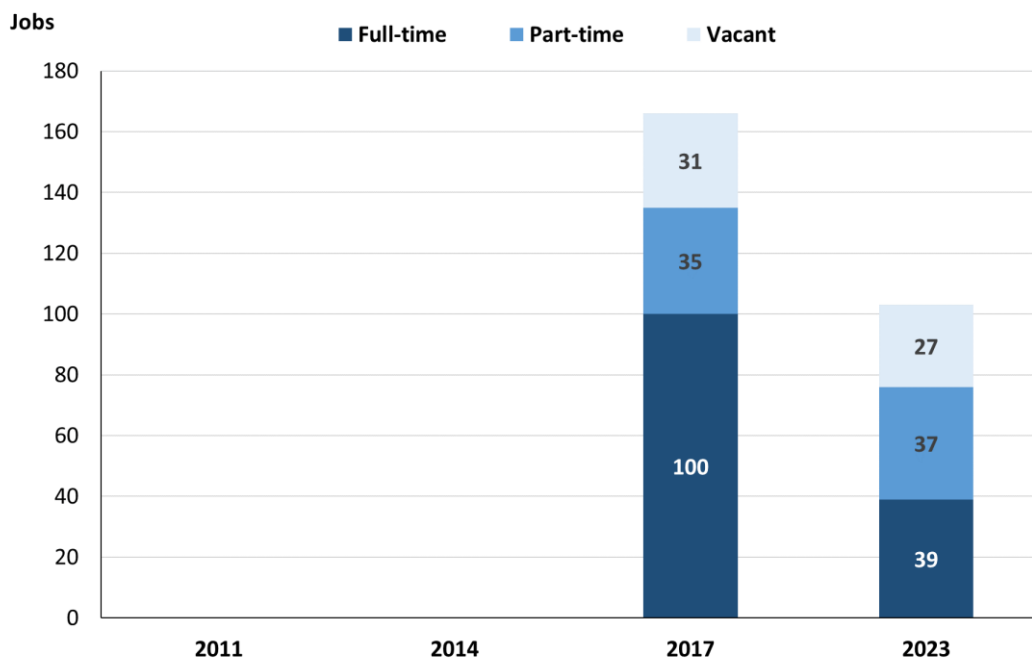
Jobs Overview

Table 1: Count of filled jobs and vacancies, 2017 & 2023 (a)(b)

	2017	2023	Change 2017-2023
Total All Jobs	166	103	-63
Vacancies	31	27	-4
Vacancies as % of Total All Jobs	18.7%	26.2%	7.5 ppt
Filled Jobs	135	76	-59
Full-time	100	39	-61
Part-time	35	37	2

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Chart 1: Count of vacant jobs and filled jobs by full-time/part-time status, 2017 & 2023 (a)(b)



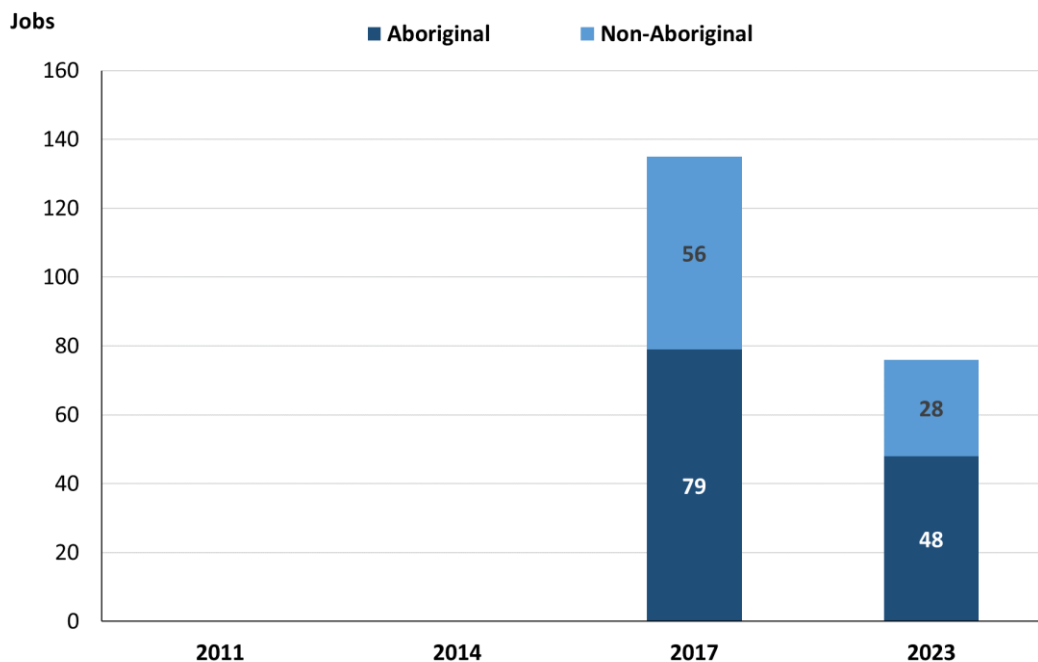
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In 2023 in Utopia:

- there were a total of 76 **filled jobs**, a decrease of 59 jobs from 2017. Of these:
 - 39 were **full-time** jobs, a decrease of 61 jobs from 2017
 - 37 were **part-time** jobs, an increase of 2 jobs from 2017
- there were 27 total job **vacancies**, a decrease of 4 vacancies from 2017.

Jobs filled by Aboriginality

Chart 2: Count of filled jobs by Aboriginality, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)



Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

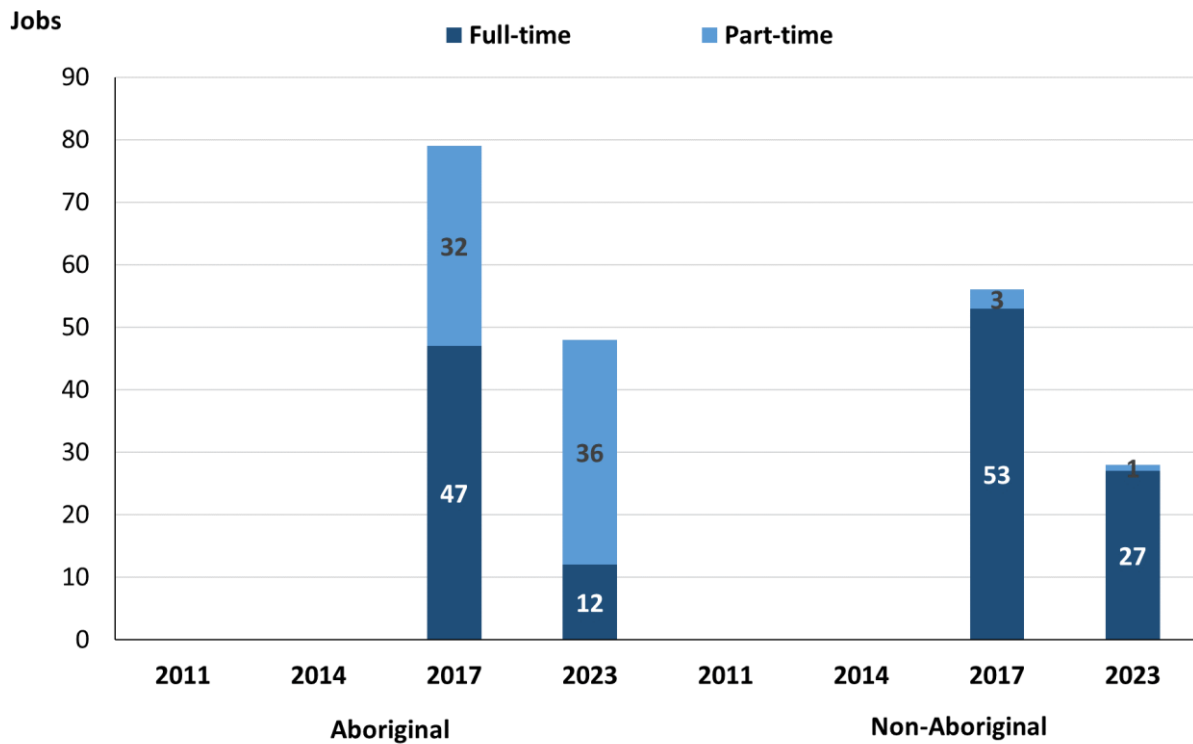
- of the 76 filled jobs:
 - **Aboriginal** people filled 48 jobs, a decrease of 31 jobs from 2017
 - **non-Aboriginal** people filled 28 jobs, a decrease of 28 jobs from 2017
- **Aboriginal** people accounted for 63% of job holders compared to 59% in 2017.

Table 2: Count of filled jobs by full-time/part-time status, 2017 & 2023 (a)(b)(c)

Indicator	2017			2023			Change 2017-2023		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Full-time	47	53	100	12	27	39	-35	-26	-61
Part-time	32	3	35	36	1	37	4	-2	2
Total	79	56	135	48	28	76	-31	-28	-59

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Chart 3: Count of filled jobs by full-time/part-time status, 2017 & 2023 (a)(b)(c)



Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- of the 76 filled jobs:
 - 12 were **full-time** jobs filled by **Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 35 jobs from 2017
 - 36 were **part-time** jobs filled by **Aboriginal** people, an increase of 4 jobs from 2017
 - 27 were **full-time** jobs filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 26 jobs from 2017
 - 1 was a **part-time** job filled by a **non-Aboriginal** person, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017.

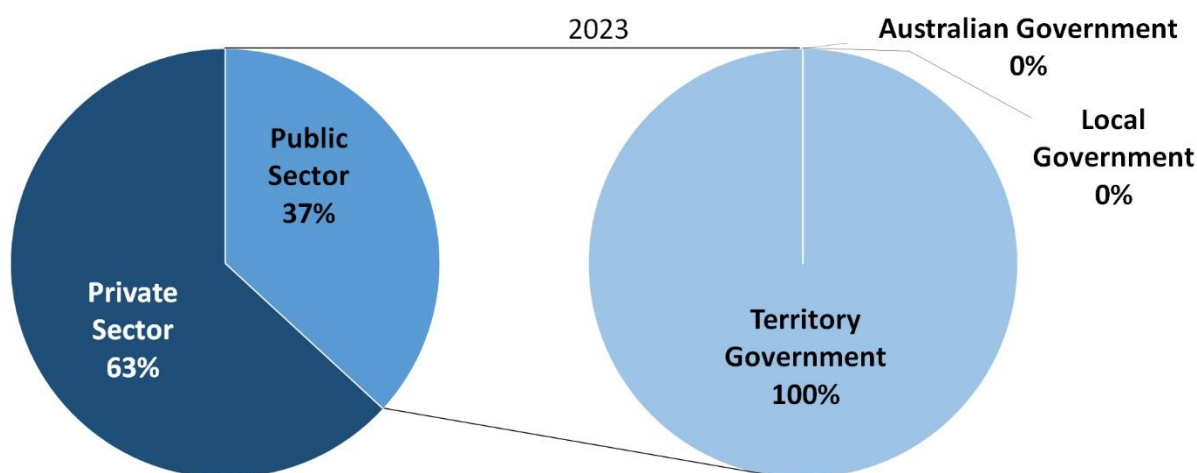
Jobs by Sector: Private and Public

Table 3: Count of filled jobs by sector of business, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)(d)

Indicator	2017			2023			Change 2017-2023		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Public Sector	36	29	65	14	14	28	-22	-15	-37
Australian Government	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Territory Government	22	26	48	14	14	28	-8	-12	-20
Local Government	14	3	17	0	0	0	-14	-3	-17
Private Sector	43	27	70	34	14	48	-9	-13	-22
Total	79	56	135	48	28	76	-31	-28	-59

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Chart 4: Count of filled jobs by sector of business, 2023 (a)(d)

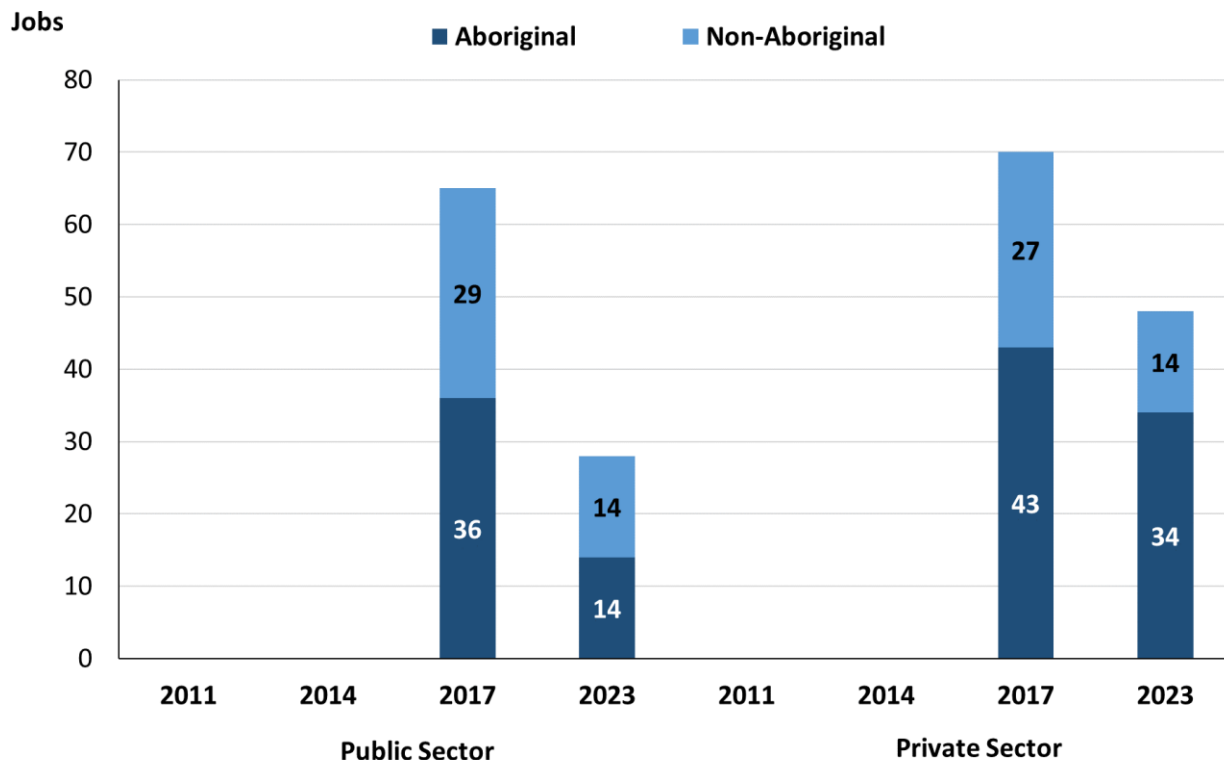


Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- there were 28 jobs in the **Public Sector**, a decrease of 37 jobs from 2017, of these:
 - none were in the Australian Government, unchanged from 2017
 - 28 jobs were in the Territory Government, a decrease of 20 jobs from 2017
 - none were in the Local Government, a decrease of 17 jobs from 2017
- there were 48 jobs in the **Private Sector**, a decrease of 22 jobs from 2017.

Chart 5: Count of filled jobs by sector of business, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)(d)

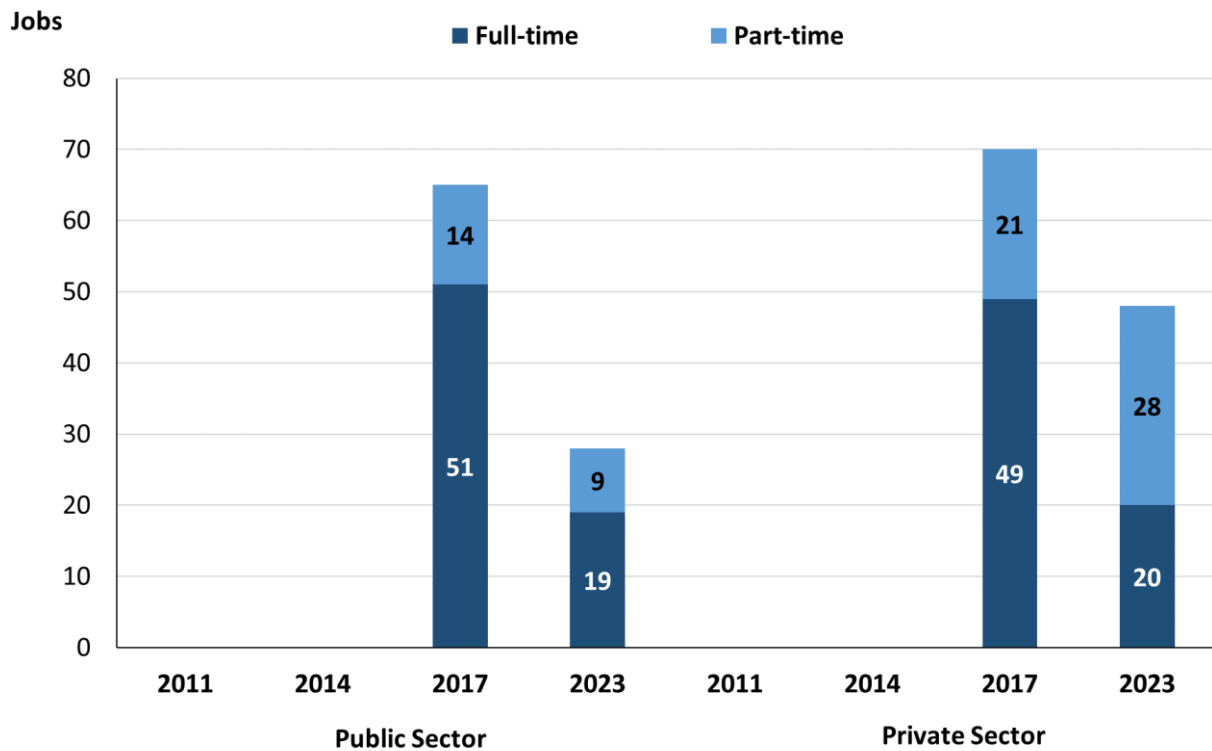


Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- of the 28 jobs in the **Public Sector**:
 - **Aboriginal** people filled 14 jobs, a decrease of 22 jobs from 2017
 - **non-Aboriginal** people filled 14 jobs, a decrease of 15 jobs from 2017
- of the 48 jobs in the **Private Sector**:
 - **Aboriginal** people filled 34 jobs, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017
 - **non-Aboriginal** people filled 14 jobs, a decrease of 13 jobs from 2017.

Chart 6: Count of filled jobs by sector and full-time/part-time status, 2017 & 2023 (a)(b)(d)



Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- of the 28 jobs in the **Public Sector**:
 - 19 were full-time jobs, a decrease of 32 jobs from 2017
 - 9 were part-time jobs, a decrease of 5 jobs from 2017
- of the 48 jobs in the **Private Sector**:
 - 20 were full-time jobs, a decrease of 29 jobs from 2017
 - 28 were part-time jobs, an increase of 7 jobs from 2017.

Table 4: Count of filled jobs by full-time/part-time status by sector, 2017 & 2023 (a)(b)(c)(d)

Indicator	2017								
	Aboriginal			Non-Aboriginal			Total		
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total
Public Sector	23	13	36	28	1	29	51	14	65
Private Sector	24	19	43	25	2	27	49	21	70
Total	47	32	79	53	3	56	100	35	135

Indicator	2023								
	Aboriginal			Non-Aboriginal			Total		
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total
Public Sector	5	9	14	14	0	14	19	9	28
Private Sector	7	27	34	13	1	14	20	28	48
Total	12	36	48	27	1	28	39	37	76

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia, there were:

- 14 jobs in the **Public Sector** filled by **Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 22 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - 5 were full-time jobs, a decrease of 18 jobs from 2017
 - 9 were part-time jobs, a decrease of 4 jobs from 2017
- 34 jobs in the **Private Sector** filled by **Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - 7 were full-time jobs, a decrease of 17 jobs from 2017
 - 27 were part-time jobs, an increase of 8 jobs from 2017
- 14 jobs in the **Public Sector** filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 15 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - 14 were full-time jobs, a decrease of 14 jobs from 2017
 - none were part-time jobs, a decrease of 1 job from 2017
- 14 jobs in the **Private Sector** filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 13 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - 13 were full-time jobs, a decrease of 12 jobs from 2017
 - 1 was a part-time job, a decrease of 1 job from 2017.

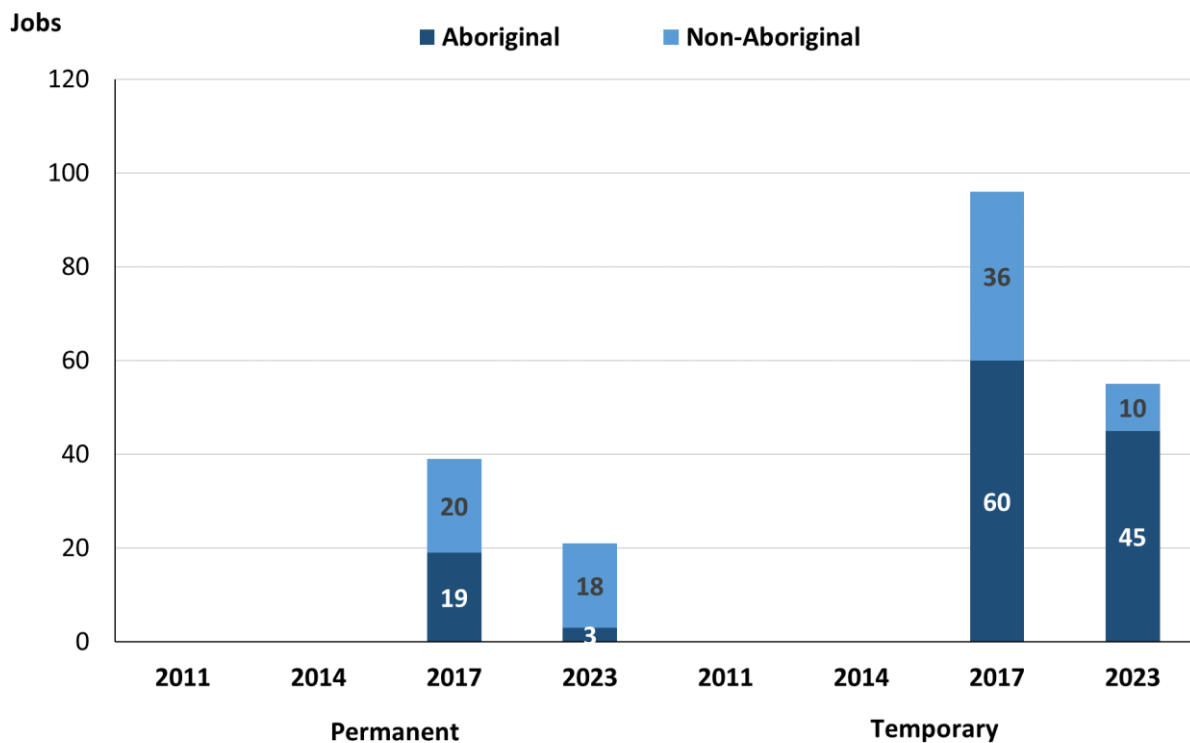
Job Status: Permanent and Temporary

Table 5: Count of filled jobs by employment status, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)(e)

Indicator	2017			2023			Change 2017-2023		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Permanent	19	20	39	3	18	21	-16	-2	-18
Temporary	60	36	96	45	10	55	-15	-26	-41
Total	79	56	135	48	28	76	-31	-28	-59

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Chart 7: Count of filled jobs by employment status, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)(e)



Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- there were 21 **permanent** jobs, a decrease of 18 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - **Aboriginal** people filled 3 jobs, a decrease of 16 jobs from 2017
 - **non-Aboriginal** people filled 18 jobs, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017
- there were 55 **temporary** jobs, a decrease of 41 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - **Aboriginal** people filled 45 jobs, a decrease of 15 jobs from 2017
 - **non-Aboriginal** people filled 10 jobs, a decrease of 26 jobs from 2017.

Table 6: Count of filled jobs by sector and employment status, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)(d)(e)

Indicator	2017								
	Aboriginal			Non-Aboriginal			Total		
	Perm	Temp	Total	Perm	Temp	Total	Perm	Temp	Total
Public Sector	11	25	36	12	17	29	23	42	65
Private Sector	8	35	43	8	19	27	16	54	70
Total	19	60	79	20	36	56	39	96	135

Indicator	2023								
	Aboriginal			Non-Aboriginal			Total		
	Perm	Temp	Total	Perm	Temp	Total	Perm	Temp	Total
Public Sector	2	12	14	11	3	14	13	15	28
Private Sector	1	33	34	7	7	14	8	40	48
Total	3	45	48	18	10	28	21	55	76

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia, there were:

- 28 jobs in the **Public Sector**, a decrease of 37 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - 13 jobs were **permanent**, a decrease of 10 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - ♦ 2 jobs were filled by **Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 11 jobs were filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 1 job from 2017
 - 15 jobs were **temporary**, a decrease of 27 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - ♦ 12 jobs were filled by **Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 13 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 3 jobs were filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 14 jobs from 2017
- 48 jobs in the **Private Sector**, a decrease of 22 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - 8 jobs were **permanent**, a decrease of 8 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - ♦ 1 job was filled by an **Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 7 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 7 jobs were filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 1 job from 2017
 - 40 jobs were **temporary**, a decrease of 14 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - ♦ 33 jobs were filled by **Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 7 jobs were filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, a decrease of 12 jobs from 2017.

Job Vacancies

Table 7: Job vacancies, 2017 & 2023

Indicator	2017	2023	Change 2017-2023
Job vacancies	31	27	-4

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Table 8: Job vacancies by occupation, 2017 & 2023 (f)(g)

Occupation (ANZSCO major group)	2017	2023	Change 2017-2023
Clerical and Administrative Workers	4	2	-2
Community and Personal Service Workers	11	13	2
Labourers	6	1	-5
Machinery Operators and Drivers	1	0	-1
Managers	1	1	0
Professionals	8	5	-3
Technicians and Trades Workers	0	5	5
Total	31	27	-4

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Table 9: Job vacancies by job title, 2023 profile (f)

Job Vacancy	No.
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Worker	4
Classroom Teacher	2
Education Aide	1
Engineering, ICT and Science Technician	5
General Clerk	1
Handyperson	1
Health and Welfare Services Manager	1
Liaison Officer	2
Program or Project Administrator	1
Senior Teacher	3
Teacher's Aide	5
Welfare Support Worker	1
Total	27

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- there were 27 **vacancies** reported, a decrease of 4 vacancies from 2017
- of the 27 reported vacancies, the largest requirements were for:
 - 13 Community and Personal Service Workers, the majority of which are in the following jobs:
 - ◆ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Worker
 - ◆ Liaison Officer
 - ◆ Teacher's Aide
 - 5 Professionals in the following jobs:
 - ◆ Classroom Teacher
 - ◆ Senior Teacher
 - 5 Technicians and Trades Workers in the following job:
 - ◆ Engineering, ICT and Science Technician.

Jobs by Industry

Table 10: Count of filled jobs by industry of business, 2017 & 2023 (a)(h)

Industry (ANZSIC Division)	2017		2023		Change 2017-2023
	Total	% of Total	Total	% of Total	Total
Administrative and Support Services	5	3.7%	0	0.0%	-5
Arts and Recreation Services	3	2.2%	0	0.0%	-3
Education and Training	46	34.1%	26	34.2%	-20
Health Care and Social Assistance	36	26.7%	0	0.0%	-36
Public Administration and Safety	20	14.8%	38	50.0%	18
Retail Trade	25	18.5%	12	15.8%	-13
Total	135	100.0%	76	100.0%	-59

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- the Public Administration and Safety industry was the **largest industry employer**, with 38 filled jobs or 50.0% of filled jobs, an increase of 18 jobs from 2017,
- **other significant** industry employers were:
 - Education and Training with 26 jobs (or 34.2% of filled jobs), a decrease of 20 jobs from 2017
 - Retail Trade with 12 jobs (or 15.8% of filled jobs), a decrease of 13 jobs from 2017.

Table 11: Count of filled jobs by industry of business, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)(h)

Industry (ANZSIC division)	2017			2023			Change 2017-2023		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Administrative and Support Services	1	4	5	0	0	0	-1	-4	-5
Arts and Recreation Services	2	1	3	0	0	0	-2	-1	-3
Education and Training	22	24	46	13	13	26	-9	-11	-20
Health Care and Social Assistance	23	13	36	0	0	0	-23	-13	-36
Public Administration and Safety	14	6	20	31	7	38	17	1	18
Retail Trade	17	8	25	4	8	12	-13	0	-13
Total	79	56	135	48	28	76	-31	-28	-59

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Chart 8: Count of filled jobs by industries of business, 2023 (a)(c)(h)



Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- of the 48 jobs filled by **Aboriginal** people, there were:
 - 31 jobs in Public Administration and Safety, an increase of 17 jobs from 2017
 - 13 jobs in Education and Training, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017
 - 4 jobs in Retail Trade, a decrease of 13 jobs from 2017
- of the 28 jobs filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, there were:
 - 13 jobs in Education and Training, a decrease of 11 jobs from 2017
 - 8 jobs in Retail Trade, unchanged from 2017
 - 7 jobs in Public Administration and Safety, an increase of 1 job from 2017.

Table 12: Count of filled jobs by industry and employment status, 2017 (a)(c)(e)(h)

Industry (ANZSIC division)	2017								
	Aboriginal			Non-Aboriginal			Total		
	Perm	Temp	Total	Perm	Temp	Total	Perm	Temp	Total
Administrative and Support Services	0	1	1	3	1	4	3	2	5
Arts and Recreation Services	0	2	2	0	1	1	0	3	3
Education and Training	7	15	22	8	16	24	15	31	46
Health Care and Social Assistance	0	23	23	0	13	13	0	36	36
Public Administration and Safety	4	10	14	5	1	6	9	11	20
Retail Trade	8	9	17	4	4	8	12	13	25
Total	19	60	79	20	36	56	39	96	135

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Table 13: Count of filled jobs by industry and employment status, 2023 (a)(c)(e)(h)

Industry (ANZSIC division)	2023								
	Aboriginal			Non-Aboriginal			Total		
	Perm	Temp	Total	Perm	Temp	Total	Perm	Temp	Total
Administrative and Support Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arts and Recreation Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Education and Training	1	12	13	10	3	13	11	15	26
Health Care and Social Assistance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Public Administration and Safety	2	29	31	5	2	7	7	31	38
Retail Trade	0	4	4	3	5	8	3	9	12
Total	3	45	48	18	10	28	21	55	76

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- of the 21 **permanent** jobs, there were:
 - 11 jobs in Education and Training, a decrease of 4 jobs from 2017, including:
 - ◆ an **Aboriginal** person filled 1 job, a decrease of 6 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ **non-Aboriginal** people filled 10 jobs, an increase of 2 jobs from 2017
 - 7 jobs in Public Administration and Safety, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017, including:
 - ◆ **Aboriginal** people filled 2 jobs, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ **non-Aboriginal** people filled 5 jobs, unchanged from 2017
 - 3 jobs in Retail Trade, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017, including:
 - ◆ **Aboriginal** people filled 0 jobs, a decrease of 8 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ **non-Aboriginal** people filled 3 jobs, a decrease of 1 job from 2017
- of the 55 **temporary** jobs, there were:
 - 31 jobs in Public Administration and Safety, an increase of 20 jobs from 2017, including:
 - ◆ **Aboriginal** people filled 29 jobs, an increase of 19 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ **non-Aboriginal** people filled 2 jobs, an increase of 1 job from 2017
 - 15 jobs in Education and Training, a decrease of 16 jobs from 2017, including:
 - ◆ **Aboriginal** people filled 12 jobs, a decrease of 3 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ **non-Aboriginal** people filled 3 jobs, a decrease of 13 jobs from 2017
 - 9 jobs in Retail Trade, a decrease of 4 jobs from 2017, including:
 - ◆ **Aboriginal** people filled 4 jobs, a decrease of 5 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ **non-Aboriginal** people filled 5 jobs, an increase of 1 job from 2017.

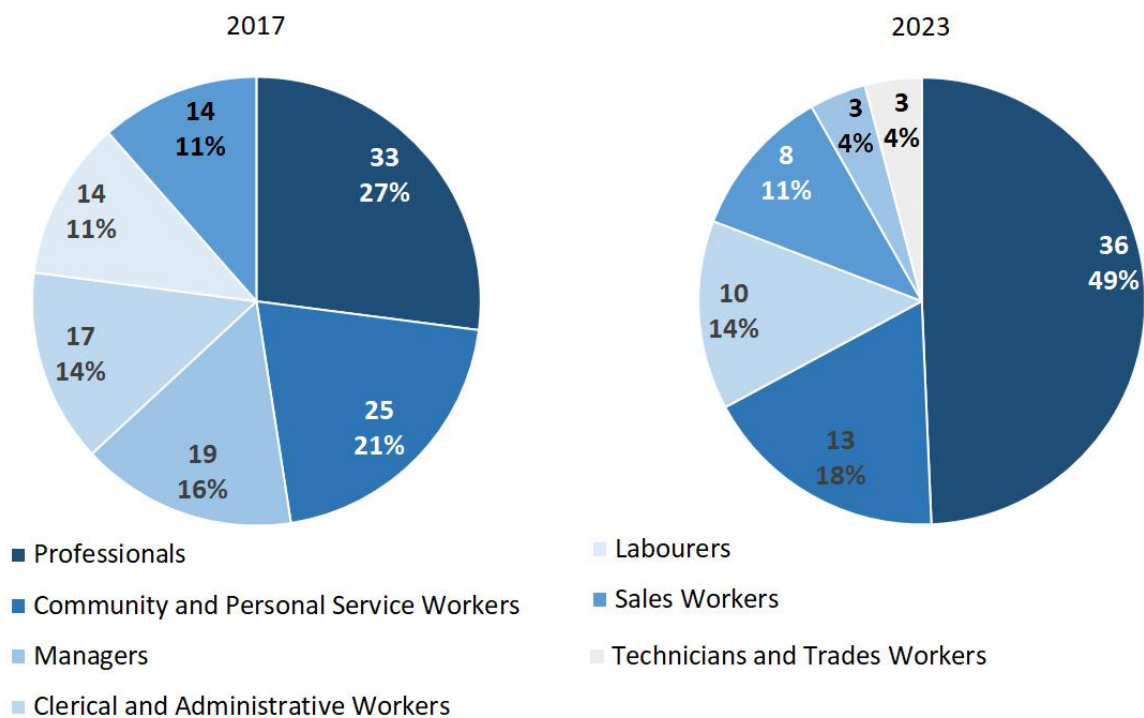
Jobs by Occupation

Table 14: Count of filled jobs by occupation, 2017 & 2023 (a)(f)(g)

Occupation (ANZSCO major group)	2017		2023		Change 2017-2023
	Total	% of Total	Total	% of Total	
Clerical and Administrative Workers	17	12.6%	10	13.2%	-7
Community and Personal Service Workers	25	18.5%	13	17.1%	-12
Labourers	14	10.4%	1	1.3%	-13
Machinery Operators and Drivers	13	9.6%	2	2.6%	-11
Managers	19	14.1%	3	3.9%	-16
Professionals	33	24.4%	36	47.4%	3
Sales Workers	14	10.4%	8	10.5%	-6
Technicians and Trades Workers	0	0.0%	3	3.9%	3
Total	135	100.0%	76	100.0%	-59

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Chart 9: Count of top 6 filled jobs by occupation, 2017 & 2023 (a)(f)(g)



Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- Professionals was the **largest occupation classification** in terms of filled jobs, accounting for 36 jobs (47.4% of total filled jobs), an increase of 3 jobs from 2017
- **other significant** occupation classifications were:
 - Community and Personal Service Workers (13 jobs or 17.1%), a decrease of 12 jobs from 2017
 - Clerical and Administrative Workers (10 jobs or 13.2%), a decrease of 7 jobs from 2017
 - Sales Workers (8 jobs or 10.5%), a decrease of 6 jobs from 2017.

Table 15: Count of filled jobs by ANZSCO occupation, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)(f)(g)

Occupation (ANZSCO major group)	2017			2023			Change 2017-2023		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Clerical and Administrative Workers	8	9	17	3	7	10	-5	-2	-7
Community and Personal Service Workers	21	4	25	12	1	13	-9	-3	-12
Labourers	13	1	14	0	1	1	-13	0	-13
Machinery Operators and Drivers	12	1	13	0	2	2	-12	1	-11
Managers	4	15	19	0	3	3	-4	-12	-16
Professionals	8	25	33	24	12	36	16	-13	3
Sales Workers	13	1	14	7	1	8	-6	0	-6
Technicians and Trades Workers	0	0	0	2	1	3	2	1	3
Total	79	56	135	48	28	76	-31	-28	-59

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- of the 48 jobs filled by **Aboriginal** people, there were:
 - 24 Professionals, an increase of 16 jobs from 2017
 - 12 Community and Personal Service Workers, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017
 - 7 Sales Workers, a decrease of 6 jobs from 2017
- of the 28 jobs filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, there were:
 - 12 Professionals, a decrease of 13 jobs from 2017
 - 7 Clerical and Administrative Workers, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017
 - 3 Managers, a decrease of 12 jobs from 2017.

Jobs by Industry by Occupation

Table 16: Count of filled jobs by occupation and by industry, 2017 (a)(f)(g)(h)

2017										
Industry (ANZSIC Division)	Occupation (ANZSCO major group)									Total
	Clerical and Administrative Workers	Community and Personal Service Workers	Labourers	Machinery Operators and Drivers	Managers	Professionals	Sales Workers	Technicians and Trades Workers	Other Occupations	
Administrative and Support Services	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	5
Arts and Recreation Services	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	3
Education and Training	7	16	1	0	3	19	0	0	0	46
Health Care and Social Assistance	4	1	5	12	5	9	0	0	0	36
Public Administration and Safety	2	8	6	0	2	2	0	0	0	20
Retail Trade	0	0	2	1	8	0	14	0	0	25
Total	17	25	14	13	19	33	14	0	0	135

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Table 17: Count of filled jobs by occupation and by industry, 2023 (a)(f)(g)(h)

2023										
Industry (ANZSIC Division)	Occupation (ANZSCO major group)									Total
	Clerical and Administrative Workers	Community and Personal Service Workers	Labourers	Machinery Operators and Drivers	Managers	Professionals	Sales Workers	Technicians and Trades Workers	Other Occupations	
Administrative and Support Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arts and Recreation Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Education and Training	2	11	0	0	0	12	0	1	0	26
Health Care and Social Assistance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Public Administration and Safety	6	2	0	0	1	24	4	1	0	38
Retail Trade	2	0	1	2	2	0	4	1	0	12
Total	10	13	1	2	3	36	8	3	0	76

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- Professionals filled the majority of jobs with 36 jobs (the largest occupation group) were shared across the Public Administration and Safety with 24 jobs, and Education and Training industries with 12 jobs,
- Community and Personal Service Workers filled the majority of jobs with 13 jobs (the second largest occupation group) were in the Education and Training industry with 11 jobs,
- Public Administration and Safety (the largest industry group) showed an increase of 18 filled jobs between 2023 and 2017, with the majority of jobs in the Professionals occupation group,
- Education and Training (the 2nd largest industry) showed a decrease of 20 filled jobs between 2023 and 2017, with the majority of jobs shared across the Community and Personal Service Workers and Professionals occupation groups,
- All industries with the exception of Public Administration and Safety showed a decrease in filled jobs between 2023 and 2017.

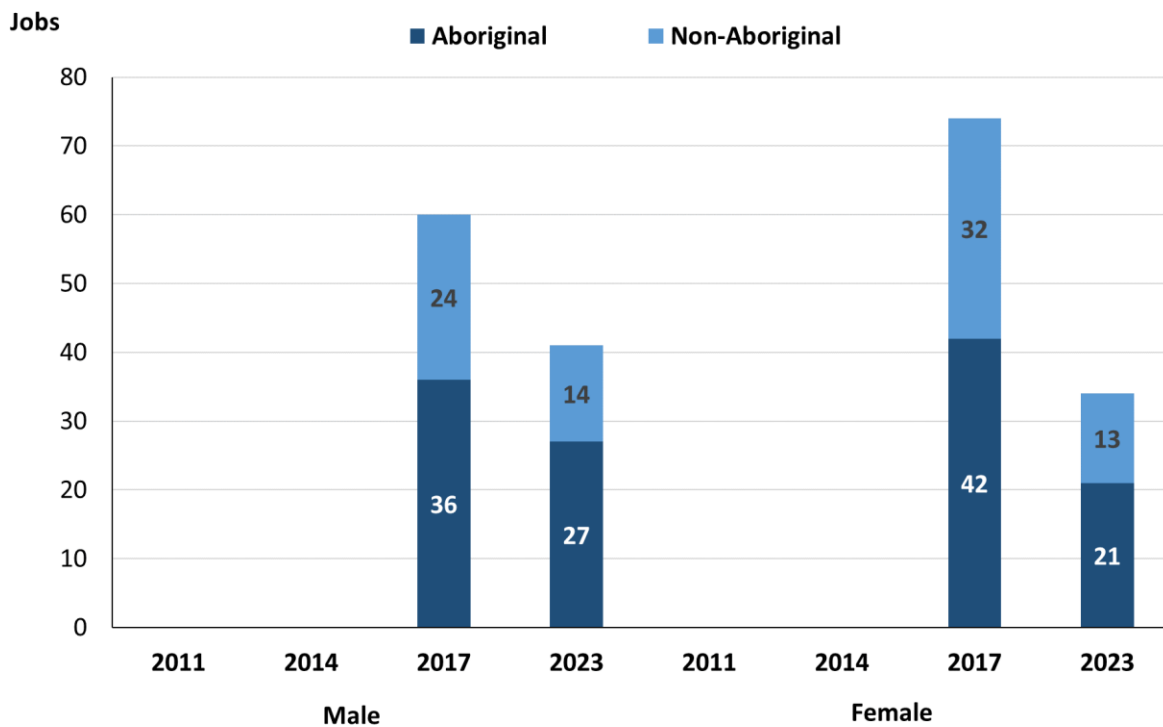
Jobs by Gender

Table 18: Counts of filled jobs by gender, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)(i)

Indicator	2017			2023			2017-2023 Change		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Male	36	24	60	27	14	41	-9	-10	-19
Female	42	32	74	21	13	34	-21	-19	-40
Total	78	56	134	48	28	76	-30	-28	-58

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Chart 10: Count of filled jobs by gender, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)(i)



Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia, there were:

- **41 jobs filled by males**, a decrease of 19 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - 27 were **Aboriginal**, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017
 - 14 were **non-Aboriginal**, a decrease of 10 jobs from 2017
- **34 jobs filled by females**, a decrease of 40 jobs from 2017, of which:
 - 21 were **Aboriginal**, a decrease of 21 jobs from 2017
 - 13 were **non-Aboriginal**, a decrease of 19 jobs from 2017.

Table 19: Count of filled jobs by gender, by full-time/part-time status, by job permanency and by sector, 2017 (a)(b)(c)(d)(e)(i)

2017									
Indicator	Male			Female			Total		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Full-time	31	22	53	15	31	46	47	53	100
Part-time	5	2	7	27	1	28	32	3	35
Total	36	24	60	42	32	74	79	56	135
Permanent	6	10	16	12	10	22	19	20	39
Temporary	30	14	44	30	22	52	60	36	96
Total	36	24	60	42	32	74	79	56	135
Public Sector	13	12	25	22	17	39	36	29	65
Private Sector	23	12	35	20	15	35	43	27	70
Total	36	24	60	42	32	74	79	56	135

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Table 20: Count of filled jobs by gender, by full-time/part-time status, by job permanency and by sector, 2023 (a)(b)(c)(d)(e)(i)

2023									
Indicator	Male			Female			Total		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Full-time	7	13	20	5	13	18	12	27	39
Part-time	20	1	21	16	0	16	36	1	37
Total	27	14	41	21	13	34	48	28	76
Permanent	2	8	10	1	9	10	3	18	21
Temporary	25	6	31	20	4	24	45	10	55
Total	27	14	41	21	13	34	48	28	76
Public Sector	6	6	12	8	7	15	14	14	28
Private Sector	21	8	29	13	6	19	34	14	48
Total	27	14	41	21	13	34	48	28	76

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- of the 41 **jobs filled by males**, there were:
 - 27 jobs filled by **Aboriginal** males, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017, including:
 - ◆ 7 full-time jobs, a decrease of 24 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 20 part-time jobs, an increase of 15 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 2 permanent jobs, a decrease of 4 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 25 temporary jobs, a decrease of 5 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 6 Public Sector jobs, a decrease of 7 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 21 Private Sector jobs, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017
 - 14 jobs filled by **non-Aboriginal** males, a decrease of 10 jobs from 2017, including:
 - ◆ 13 full-time jobs, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 1 part-time job, a decrease of 1 job from 2017
 - ◆ 8 permanent jobs, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 6 temporary jobs, a decrease of 8 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 6 Public Sector jobs, a decrease of 6 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 8 Private Sector jobs, a decrease of 4 jobs from 2017
- of the 34 **jobs filled by females**, there were:
 - 21 jobs filled by **Aboriginal** females, a decrease of 21 jobs from 2017, including:
 - ◆ 5 full-time jobs, a decrease of 10 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 16 part-time jobs, a decrease of 11 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 1 permanent job, a decrease of 11 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 20 temporary jobs, a decrease of 10 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 8 Public Sector jobs, a decrease of 14 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 13 Private Sector jobs, a decrease of 7 jobs from 2017
 - 13 jobs filled by **non-Aboriginal** females, a decrease of 19 jobs from 2017, including:
 - ◆ 13 full-time jobs, a decrease of 18 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 0 part-time jobs, a decrease of 1 job from 2017
 - ◆ 9 permanent jobs, a decrease of 1 job from 2017
 - ◆ 4 temporary jobs, a decrease of 18 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 7 Public Sector jobs, a decrease of 10 jobs from 2017
 - ◆ 6 Private Sector jobs, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017.

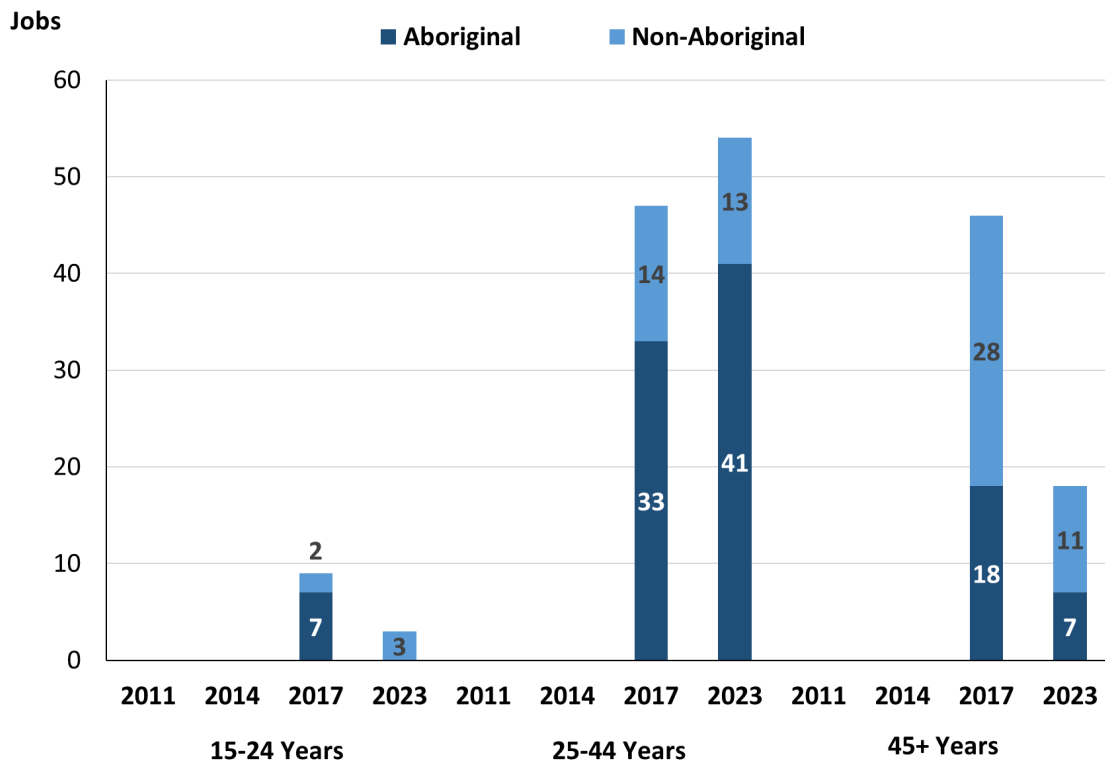
Jobs by Age

Table 21: Count of filled jobs by age, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)(j)

Indicator	2017			2023			Change 2017-2023		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
15-24 years	7	2	9	0	3	3	-7	1	-6
25-44 years	53	26	79	41	13	54	-12	-13	-25
45+ years	18	28	46	7	11	18	-11	-17	-28
Total	79	56	135	48	28	76	-30	-28	-58

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Chart 11: Count of filled jobs by age, 2017 & 2023 (a)(c)(j)



Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia, there were:

- **3 jobs filled** by people aged **15-24 years**, a decrease of 6 jobs from 2017, of these:
 - **Aboriginal** people filled 0 jobs, a decrease of 7 jobs from 2017
 - **non-Aboriginal** people filled 3 jobs, an increase of 1 job from 2017
- **54 jobs filled** by people aged **25-44 years**, a decrease of 25 jobs from 2017, of these:
 - **Aboriginal** people filled 41 jobs, a decrease of 12 jobs from 2017
 - **non-Aboriginal** people filled 13 jobs, a decrease of 13 jobs from 2017
- **18 jobs filled** by people aged **45+ years**, a decrease of 28 jobs from 2017, of these:
 - **Aboriginal** people filled 7 jobs, a decrease of 11 jobs from 2017
 - **non-Aboriginal** people filled 11 jobs, a decrease of 17 jobs from 2017.

Table 22: Count of filled jobs by age, by full-time/part-time status, by job permanency and by sector, July 2017 (a)(b)(c)(d)(e)(i)

Indicator	2017											
	15-24 years			25-44 years			45+ years			Total		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Full-time	5	2	7	28	24	52	13	27	40	47	53	100
Part-time	2	0	2	25	2	27	5	1	6	32	3	35
Total	7	2	9	53	26	79	18	28	46	79	56	135
Permanent	0	0	0	14	11	25	4	9	13	19	20	39
Temporary	7	2	9	39	15	54	14	19	33	60	36	96
Total	7	2	9	53	26	79	18	28	46	79	56	135
Public Sector	2	2	4	23	12	35	10	15	25	36	29	65
Private Sector	5	0	5	30	14	44	8	13	21	43	27	70
Total	7	2	9	53	26	79	18	28	46	79	56	135

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Table 23: Count of filled jobs by age, by full-time/part-time status, by job permanency and by sector, September 2023 (a)(b)(c)(d)(e)(i)

2023												
Indicator	15-24 years			25-44 years			45+ years			Total		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Full-time	0	3	3	8	13	21	4	10	14	12	27	39
Part-time	0	0	0	33	0	33	3	1	4	36	1	37
Total	0	3	3	41	13	54	7	11	18	48	28	76
Permanent	0	1	1	2	8	10	1	8	9	3	18	21
Temporary	0	2	2	39	5	44	6	3	9	45	10	55
Total	0	3	3	41	13	54	7	11	18	48	28	76
Public Sector	0	1	1	7	5	12	7	7	14	14	14	28
Private Sector	0	2	2	34	8	42	0	4	4	34	14	48
Total	0	3	3	41	13	54	7	11	18	48	28	76

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In 2023 in Utopia:

- of the 3 **jobs filled** by people aged **15-24 years**, there were:
 - none filled by **Aboriginal** people, of which:
 - ♦ none were full-time jobs, a decrease of 5 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ none were part-time jobs, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ none were permanent jobs, unchanged from 2017
 - ♦ none were temporary jobs, a decrease of 7 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ none were Public Sector jobs, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ none were Private Sector jobs, a decrease of 5 jobs from 2017
 - 3 jobs filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, of which:
 - ♦ 3 were full-time jobs, an increase of 1 job from 2017
 - ♦ none were part-time jobs, unchanged from 2017
 - ♦ 1 was a permanent job, an increase of 1 job from 2017
 - ♦ 2 were temporary jobs, unchanged from 2017
 - ♦ 1 was a Public Sector job, a decrease of 1 job from 2017
 - ♦ 2 were Private Sector jobs, an increase of 2 jobs from 2017

- of the 54 **jobs filled** by people aged **25-44 years**, there were:
 - 41 jobs filled by **Aboriginal** people, of which:
 - ♦ 8 were full-time jobs, a decrease of 20 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 33 were part-time jobs, an increase of 8 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 2 were permanent jobs, a decrease of 12 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 39 were temporary jobs, unchanged from 2017
 - ♦ 7 were Public Sector jobs, a decrease of 16 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 34 were Private Sector jobs, an increase of 4 jobs from 2017
 - 13 jobs filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, of which:
 - ♦ 13 were full-time jobs, a decrease of 11 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ none were part-time jobs, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 8 were permanent jobs, a decrease of 3 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 5 were temporary jobs, a decrease of 10 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 5 were Public Sector jobs, a decrease of 7 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 8 were Private Sector jobs, a decrease of 6 jobs from 2017
- of the 18 **jobs filled** by people aged **45+ years**, there were:
 - 7 jobs filled by **Aboriginal** people, of which:
 - ♦ 4 were full-time jobs, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 3 were part-time jobs, a decrease of 2 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 1 was a permanent job, a decrease of 3 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 6 were temporary jobs, a decrease of 8 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 7 were Public Sector jobs, a decrease of 3 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ none were Private Sector jobs, a decrease of 8 jobs from 2017
 - 11 jobs filled by **non-Aboriginal** people, of which:
 - ♦ 10 were full-time jobs, a decrease of 17 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 1 was a part-time job, unchanged from 2017
 - ♦ 8 were permanent jobs, a decrease of 1 job from 2017
 - ♦ 3 were temporary jobs, a decrease of 16 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 7 were Public Sector jobs, a decrease of 8 jobs from 2017
 - ♦ 4 were Private Sector jobs, a decrease of 9 jobs from 2017.

Vocational Education and Training

Table 24: Northern Territory Vocational Education and Training (VET) students, 2016 & 2023 (k)

VET Funding Group	2016		2023		Change
	No.	% of Total	No.	% of Total	2016-2023
Arts, Entertainment, Sports and Recreation	12	11%	0	0%	-12
Building and Construction	26	25%	1	2%	-25
Community Services, Health and Education	13	12%	22	36%	9
Engineering and Mining	1	1%	18	30%	17
General Education and Training	22	21%	4	7%	-18
Primary Industry	13	12%	11	18%	-2
Transport and Storage	18	17%	4	7%	-14
Other	0	0%	1	2%	1
Total	105	100%	41	100%	-64

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In Utopia in 2023:

- there were 41 **VET students**, a decrease of 64 students from 2016,
- VET activity with the most students were Community Services, Health and Education with 22 students,
- Engineering and Mining had 18 students,
- Primary Industry had 11 students,
- Engineering and Mining reported the largest increase in students with 17 more students compared to 2016,
- Building and Construction reported the largest decrease in students with 25 less students over the same period.

Table 25: Northern Territory Vocational Education and Training (VET) unit enrolments, 2016 & 2023 (l)

VET Funding Group	2016		2023		Change
	No.	% of Total	No.	% of Total	2016-2023
Arts, Entertainment, Sports and Recreation	21	8%	0	0%	-21
Building and Construction	26	10%	86	32%	60
Community Services, Health and Education	23	9%	17	6%	-6
Engineering and mining	0	0%	18	7%	18
General Education and Training	110	43%	4	1%	-106
Primary Industry	25	10%	135	50%	110
Transport and Storage	53	21%	12	4%	-41
Total	258	100%	272	100%	14

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In Utopia in 2023:

- there were 272 **VET unit enrolments**, an increase of 14-unit enrolments from 2016,
- VET activity with the most unit enrolments were Primary Industry with 135-unit enrolments,
- Building and Construction had 86-unit enrolments,
- Engineering and Mining had 18-unit enrolments,
- Primary Industry reported the largest increase in unit enrolments with 110 more-unit enrolments compared to 2016,
- General Education and Training reported the largest decrease in unit enrolments with 106 less unit enrolments over the same period.

Table 26: Northern Territory Vocational Education and Training (VET) nominal hours, 2016 & 2023 (m)

VET Funding Group	2016		2023		Change
	No.	% of Total	No.	% of Total	2016-2023
Arts, Entertainment, Sports and Recreation	1,540	29%	0	0%	-1540
Building and Construction	138	3%	5,280	41%	5142
Community Services, Health and Education	0	0%	1,090	8%	1090
Engineering and mining	0	0%	300	2%	300
General Education and Training	1,290	24%	80	1%	-1210
Primary Industry	760	14%	5,880	45%	5120
Transport and Storage	1,540	29%	320	2%	-1220
Total	5,268	100%	12,950	100%	7682

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In Utopia in 2023:

- there were 12,950 **VET nominal hours** delivered, an increase of 7,682 nominal hours delivered from 2016,
- VET activity with the most nominal hours delivered were Primary Industry with 5,880 nominal hours,
- Building and Construction had 5,280 nominal hours,
- Community Services, Health and Education had 1,090 nominal hours,
- Building and Construction reported the largest increase in nominal hours delivered with 5,142 more nominal hours compared to 2016,
- Arts, Entertainment, Sports and Recreation reported the largest decrease in nominal hours delivered with 1,540 less nominal hours over the same period.

Caveat: *Nominal hours are based on the hours funded through Northern Territory Government contracts and fee for service. Students and units include delivery that may have been funded in a previous year. Because of these factors, a direct match cannot be made between hours and student/units.*

Table 27: Northern Territory Vocational Education and Training (VET) unit completions, 2016 & 2023 (n)

VET Funding Group	2016		2023		Change
	No.	% of Total	No.	% of Total	2016-2023
Arts, Entertainment, Sports and Recreation	35	12%	0	0%	-35
Building and Construction	26	9%	82	35%	56
Community Services, Health and Education	30	10%	12	5%	-18
Engineering and Mining	1	0%	18	8%	17
General Education and Training	123	42%	0	0%	-123
Primary Industry	25	9%	119	51%	94
Transport and Storage	54	18%	3	1%	-51
Total	294	100%	234	100%	-60

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

In Utopia in 2023:

- there were 234 **VET unit completions**, a decrease of 60-unit completions from 2016,
- VET activity with the most unit completions were Primary Industry with 119-unit completions,
- Building and Construction had 82-unit completions,
- Engineering and Mining had 18-unit completions,
- Primary Industry reported the largest increase in unit completions with 94 more-unit completions compared to 2016,
- General Education and Training reported the largest decrease in unit completions with 123 less unit completions over the same period.

Population

Table 28: Population distribution by gender and age (p)(r)

Indicator	2011			2021			Change (2011-2021)		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
0-4 years	33	24	57	8	28	36	-25	4	-21
5-14 years	53	49	102	39	50	89	-14	1	-13
15-24 years	33	53	86	33	36	69	0	-17	-17
25-44 years	71	87	158	53	77	130	-18	-10	-28
45-64 years	39	42	81	51	40	91	12	-2	10
65+ years	5	17	22	15	15	30	10	-2	8
Total	245	273	518	205	241	446	-40	-32	-72

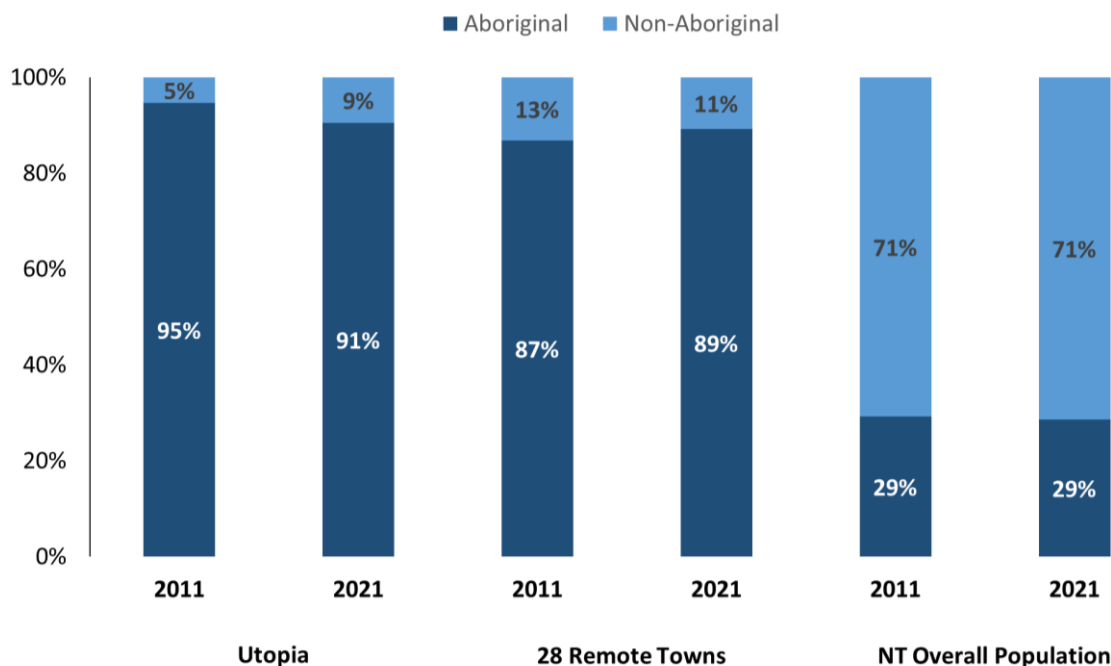
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics

In 2021 in Utopia:

- there were an estimated 446 people, of which:
 - 205 (46%) were male
 - 241 (54%) were female
- between 2011 and 2021, the overall population in Utopia decreased by 72 people from 2011, or an average of -1.4% per year compared to -0.5% across the 28 remote towns and 1.0% Territory wide
- the male population decreased by 40 people from 2011
- the female population decreased by 32 people from 2011
- in 2021, the working age population (15 years and over) in Utopia was an estimated 320 people (71.7% of the total population) compared with 347 people (67% of the total population) in 2011. Of these:
 - 69 (15.5%) were between 15 and 24 years of age
 - 130 (29.1%) were between 25 and 44 years of age
 - 91 (20.4%) were between 45 and 64 years of age
 - 30 (6.7%) were over 65 years of age
- of the 320 people of working age:
 - 152 (47.5%) were male
 - 168 (52.5%) were female.

There were 0.3 jobs in Utopia per working age person compared to 0.3 jobs per working age person across the 28 remote towns in the Northern Territory.

Chart 12: Population comparison (p)(q)



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics

In 2021 in Utopia:

- 91% of the population in Utopia were **Aboriginal**, compared to 95% in 2011
- 89% of the population across all 28 remote towns were **Aboriginal**
- 29% of the NT population were **Aboriginal**.

Table 29: Unemployment and Aboriginal participation rates (q)

	Utopia			Northern Territory		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Total
Unemployment rate	40.4%	0.0%	24.7%	20.8%	3.2%	5.6%
Participation rate	18.9%	76.9%	30.3%	35.4%	78.3%	64.9%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics

In 2021 in Utopia the:

- **total unemployment rate** was 24.7% compared to 5.6% for the total Northern Territory
- **Aboriginal unemployment rate** was 40.4% compared to 20.8% for the total Northern Territory
- **non-Aboriginal unemployment rate** was 0.0% compared to 3.2% for the total Northern Territory
- **total participation rate** was 30.3% compared to 64.9% for the total Northern Territory
- **Aboriginal participation rate** was 18.9% compared to 35.4% for the total Northern Territory
- **non-Aboriginal participation rate** was 76.9% compared to 78.3% for the total Northern Territory.

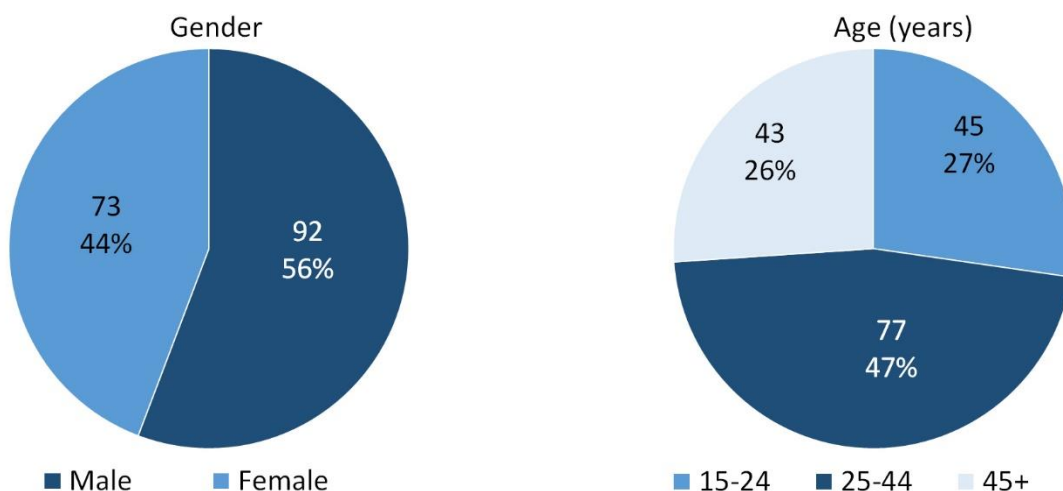
Community Development Program

Table 30: Community Development Program Aboriginal Job Seekers, 31 December 2023 (o)

Indicator	Aboriginal	
	No.	%
Total Aboriginal Job Seekers	165	N/A
Age (years)		
15-24	45	27.3%
25-44	77	46.7%
45+	43	26.0%
Total	165	100.0%
Gender		
Male	92	55.8%
Female	73	44.2%
Total	165	100.0%
Employment Outcome – 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023		
13 Weeks	<20	N/A
26 Weeks	<20	N/A

Source: Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet

Chart 13: Community Development Program Aboriginal Job Seekers by Gender, 31 December 2023 (o)



Source: Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet

As at 31 December 2023, in Utopia (Arlparra), there were 165 CDP **Aboriginal** job seekers, of these:

- 92 (55.8%) were male and 73 (44.2%) were female
- 45 (27.3%) were aged 15-24 years, 77 (46.7%) were aged 25-44 years, and 43 (26.0%) were aged 45+ years
- between 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, less than 20 had reached the 13-week reporting milestone and less than 20 had reached the 26-week reporting milestone.

Businesses

Table 31: Businesses by sector (d)(s)

Business Name	Reported on in 2017	Reported on in 2023
PUBLIC SECTOR		
Barkly Regional Council	Yes	No
Department of Education	Yes	Yes
Northern Territory Police, Fire Emergency Services	Yes	Yes
Territory Families	No	Yes
PRIVATE SECTOR		
Aherrenge Community Store Aboriginal Corporation	Yes	No
Ampilatwatja Health Centre Aboriginal Corporation	Yes	No
Arparra Aboriginal Corporation trading as Arparra Community Store	Yes	Yes
Artists of Ampilatawatja	Yes	No
Enterprise Management Group Pty Ltd trading as My Pathways	Yes	No
River Gum Store	Yes	Yes
Urapuntja Aboriginal Corporation	Yes	Yes
Urapuntja Health Service Aboriginal Corporation	Yes	No

Source: Northern Territory Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade

Note: business names captured have been identified by the current 2023 Business ABN name listed.

In 2023 in Utopia:

- there were 6 businesses reported on, of which:
 - 3 businesses were from the Public Sector (50%)
 - 3 businesses were from the Private Sector (50%).

Notes

- (a) These counts represent numbers of filled jobs and not the number of people. As such the totals represent the total number of filled jobs, not the total number of employees. This count is not directly comparable to the total number of employed people as a person may have several jobs or one job may be shared by more than one person.
- (b) Full-time is defined as a job usually requiring 35 hours or more per week or that required 35 hours or more work during the reference week. Part-time is defined as a job usually requiring less than 35 hours per week or that required less than 35 hours work during the reference week. The reference week refers to the period that respondents were asked to provide information about. In most instances it would be the week prior to the week the questionnaire was completed. Questionnaires were predominantly conducted in June and July.
- (c) Care needs to be taken when analysing the counts of filled jobs by Aboriginal people. Aboriginality was reported by the business representative completing the questionnaire.
- (d) Sector was classified using the Standard Economic Sector of Classifications of Australia (SESCA), 2008.
- (e) Job permanency is classified according to what the business believes the level of job permanency is based on guidelines provided by data collectors. Those guidelines state a permanent job has paid annual and/or sick leave entitlements while a temporary job includes casual and fixed-term contract jobs.
- (f) Classified according to the Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations (ANZSCO), 2006, major occupation level.
- (g) Other Occupations include jobs where occupation was not stated, not known or inadequately described.
- (h) Classified using the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC), 2006, division level.
- (i) Care needs to be taken when analysing the counts of filled jobs by the gender of people in the jobs. The gender of the person employed in a job is reported by the business representative completing the questionnaire.
- (j) Care needs to be taken when analysing the counts of filled jobs by the age of people in the jobs. The age of the person employed in a job is reported by the business representative completing the questionnaire.
- (k) Students represent the number of individual clients that enrolled in a Vocational Education and Training unit during the calendar year.
- (l) Unit enrolments represent the count of individual units that students enrolled in during the calendar year.
- (m) Nominal hours delivered is the sum of the nominal hours of the units commenced during the calendar year regardless of when the course enrolment commenced.
- (n) Unit completions are the count of all successfully completed units reported in the calendar year regardless of the year of commencement of the units.
- (o) The Community Development Program (CDP) supports job seekers in remote Australia to build skills, address barriers and contribute to their communities through a range of flexible activities. Under the CDP, job seekers with activity requirements are expected to do up to 25 hours per week of work-like activities that benefit their community. It should be noted that some CDP participants may be reported on within the profile if they are attached to a filled position with an employer captured in the survey. Due to confidentiality issues, data below 20 people is not published.
- (p) Population estimates for both 2011 and 2021 are taken from the estimated resident population (ERP) data produced by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) and based on Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) Statistical Area Level 1 (SA1) regions. ERP are official estimates of the Australian population, which link people to a place of usual residence with Australia. All ERP data sources, including the Census of Population and Housing (Census), are subject to error (including inaccuracies in collection, recording and processing data) and should be used with caution.
- (q) Indigenous population proportions, unemployment and workforce participation rates are based on ABS Census counts at ASGS Indigenous Locations (ILOCs) for each remote town.
- (r) Working-age population includes all residents aged 15 years and over (commonly referred to as the civilian population) and consists of people that are employed, unemployed or not in the labour force.
- (s) A 'business' has been defined as any organisation that has undertaken productive activities in the last year, including companies, non-profit organisations, government departments and enterprises operating within the designated remote geography (town), and has one or more employees in paid employment and an Australian Business Number (ABN).

Abbreviations and Acronyms

ABN	Australian Business Number
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ANZSCO	Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations
ANZSIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification
ASGS	Australian Statistical Geography Standard
CDP	Community Development Program
ERP	Estimated Resident Population
ILOC	Indigenous Locations
nec	Not Elsewhere Classified
No.	Number
Perm	Permanent
ppt	Percentage point
RJCP	Remote Jobs and Communities Program
Temp	Temporary
SA1	Statistical Area Level 1
VET	Vocational Education and Training