The search Report

MARLBOROUGH, NELSON & TASMAN LABOUR MARKET

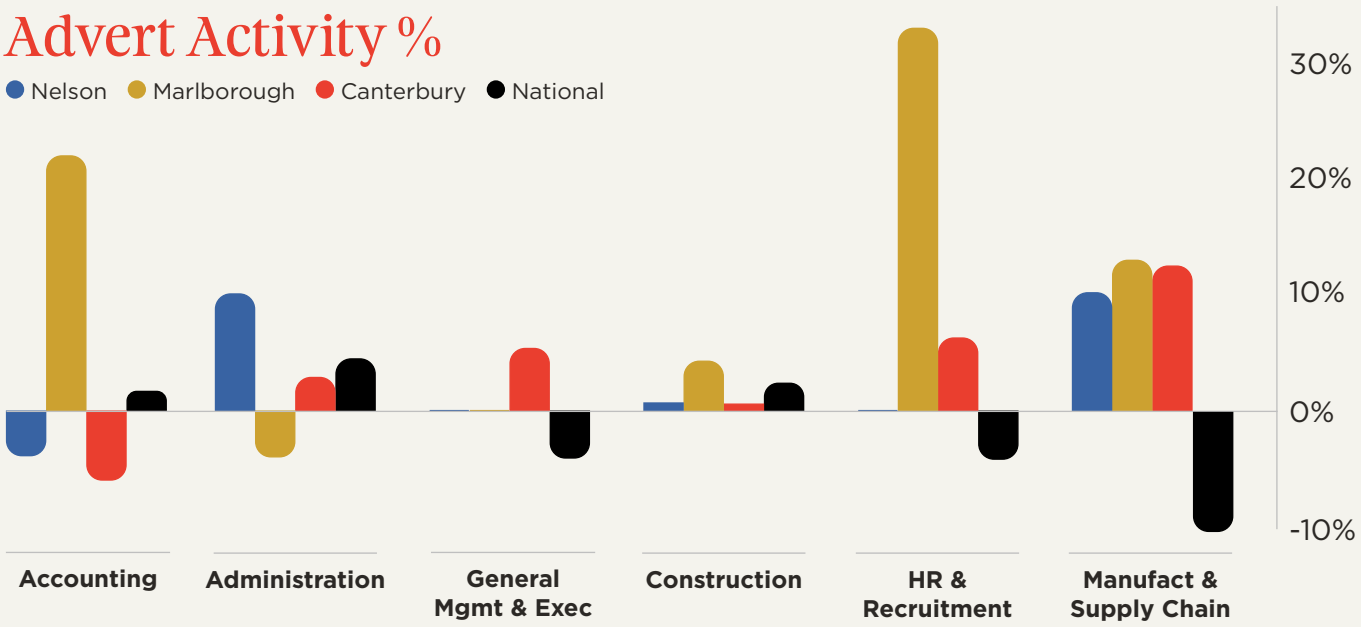
Job Ad Activity – a mixed bag?

All disciplines at national and local level **have yet to recover from the labour market drop mid 2024.** Each quarter will continue to see marginal fluctuations by both discipline and region, with the occasional anomaly (e.g. HR and recruitment in Marlborough saw an uplift of 33% in the last 3 months) but overall, we are seeing a **continued and general 'conservatism'** by employers across all listed disciplines and regions.

However, **'labour market green shoots' across the South Island for both Manufacturing/Supply Chain** represent a potential sign for cautious optimism in 2027... well, for the South Island at least!

Source: SEEK.co.nz (Jun 26 to Aug 26 vs Mar to May 26)

Advert Activity %



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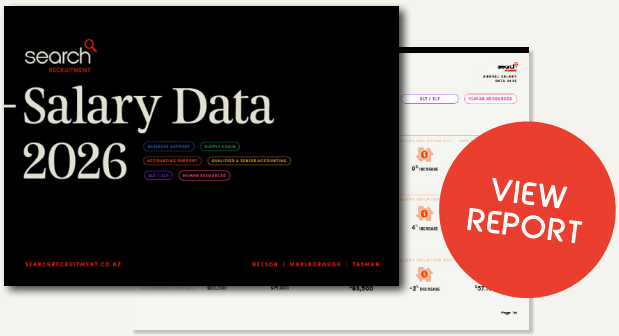
Search Recruitment was a proud sponsor of this years **CAANZ annual Nelson/ Marlborough conference.** It was wonderful to see so many faces, both new and old. Great speech, Tania!



Market Findings

Youth unemployment is at a **30 year high.**

SI Manufacturing vacancies **up by around 10%.**



TOP FIVE

Skill Shortages

1. Engineer (Mechanical/ Electrical)
2. HR (all levels)
3. Production Planner
4. Operations Manager
5. Qualified Accountant

KEY APPOINTMENTS

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