### **Information & Communications Technology (ICT)**

### **Tertiary Education Global Enrolment Trends**

&

#### **Australasian Labour Market Trends**

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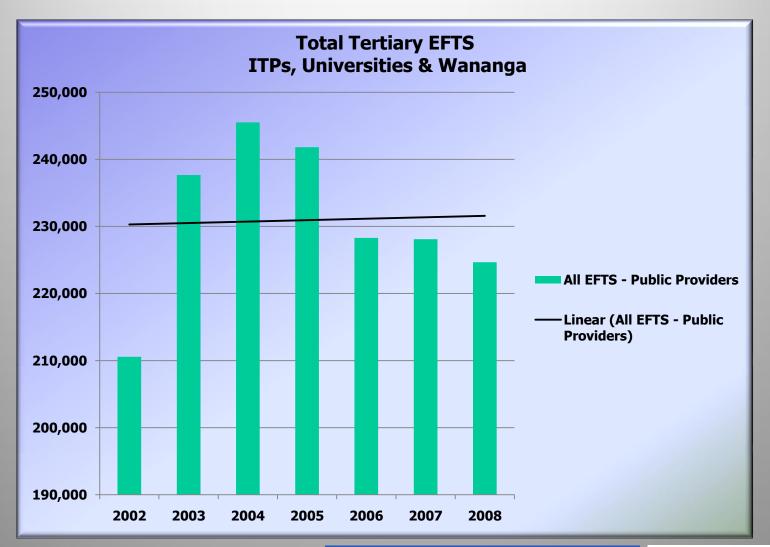
#### Trends:

- >Tertiary Enrolment
  - > NZ & global
  - Institutes of Technology & Polytechnics (ITP)
  - Information & Communications Technology (ICT)
  - Women in Technology Global
  - Wintec School of IT (Diploma & Bachelor)
- ICT Job Market
  - > Australasia



### 2002 to 2008

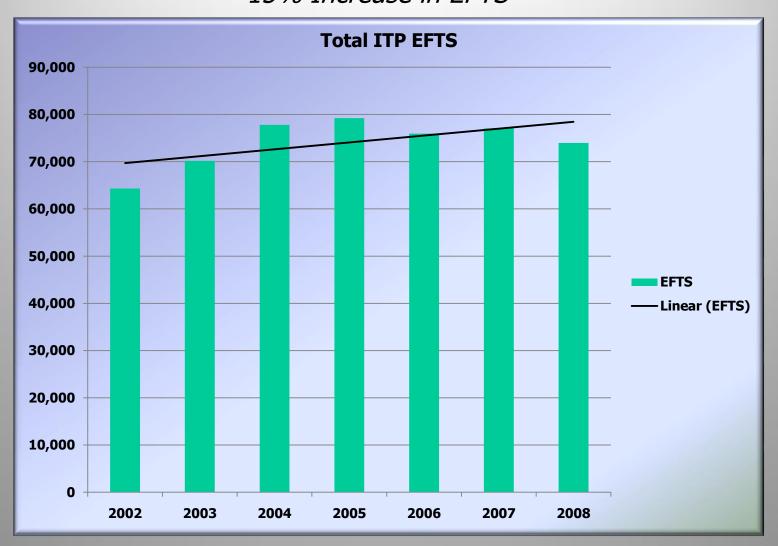
#### 7% Increase in EFTS



Education Counts (Accessed May 2009)



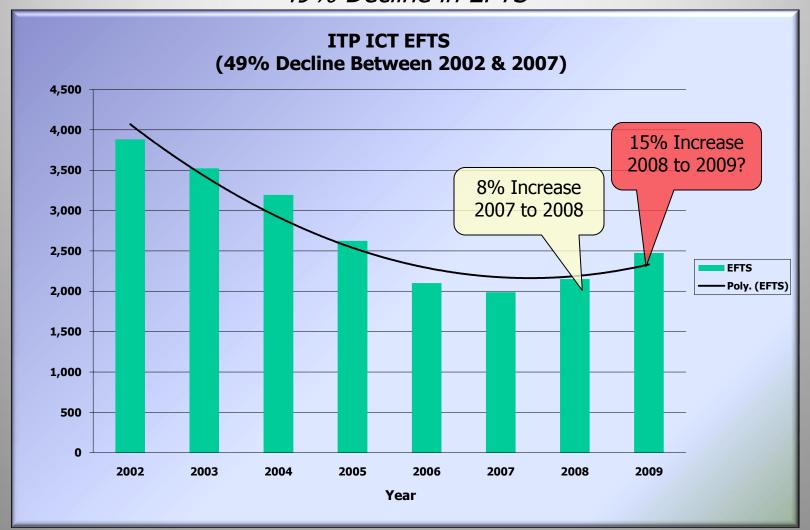
### 2002 to 2008 15% Increase in EFTS



Education Counts (Accessed May 2009)



### 2002 to 2007 49% Decline in EFTS



Source: NACCQ Statistics (Accessed March 2009)

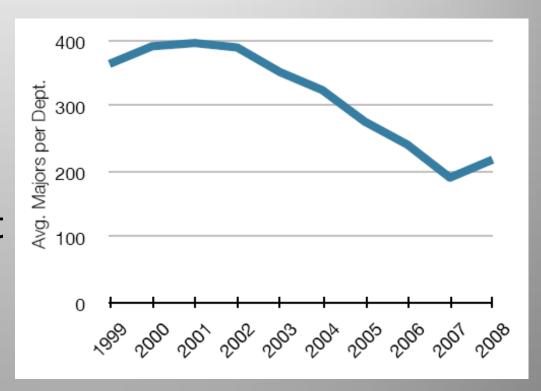


### USA - Computer Science Enrolments 8% Increase

### **NETWORKWORLD**

'Computer science major is cool again' Carolyn Duffy Marsan, 03/17/2009

➤ U.S. undergraduate majors rise 8.1%, first increase since 2000

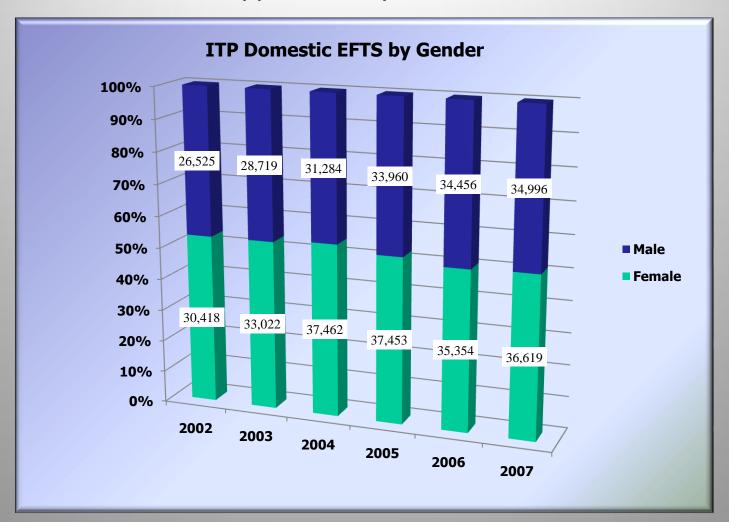


CRA Taulbee Report (Accessed April 2009)



### ITP Sector Enrolments by Gender

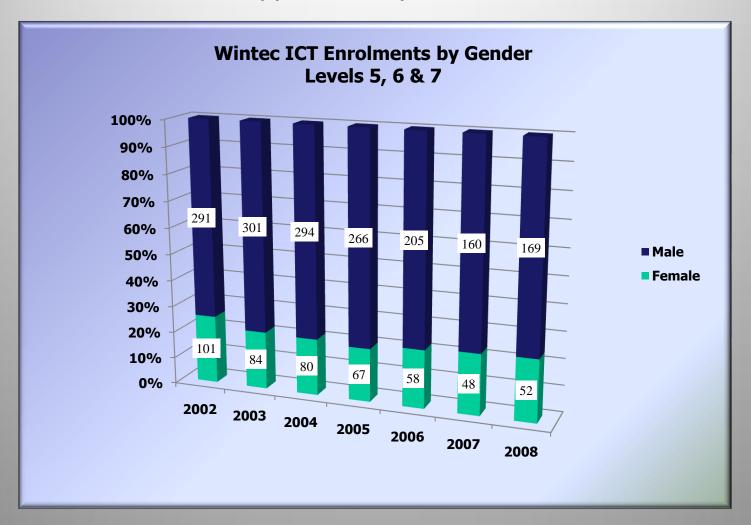
Approximately 50:50





### ICT Enrolments by Gender

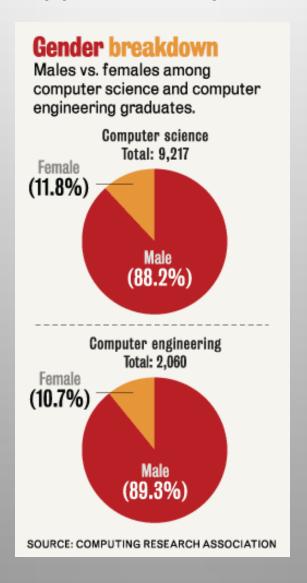
Approximately 80:20



**Source:** Student MIS (Accessed March 2009)



# USA Computer Science & Computer Engineering Graduates - Approximately 1 in 10 Female





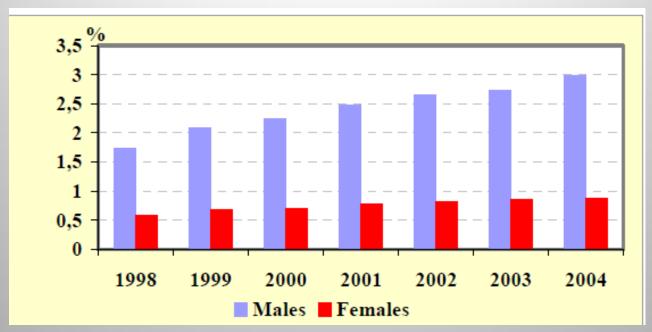
### Australia – Women in ICT

- The proportion of young women selecting a university Information Technology (IT) course is low and has been declining alarmingly in the last few years
- ➤ VTAC and Higher Education statistics show steady decline in popularity of IT courses since 2000, with young women turning away at a greater rate than young men.





### Tertiary Education in ICT European Female Participation Rates



Percentage of male & female computer science graduates (ISCED 5/6) as a proportion of all graduates, 2007 (Source: EU-RA from eurostat)

In specific sectors, such as **computing**, female graduates are significantly outnumbered by male graduates.

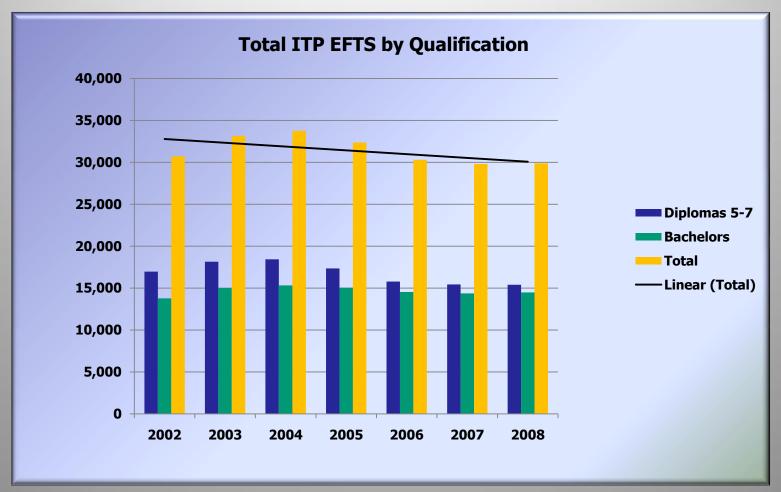


#### ITP EFTS

2004 (Peak) to 2008

16% Decline in Diplomas 5 to 7 // 6% Decline in Bachelors

(11% Overall Decline)

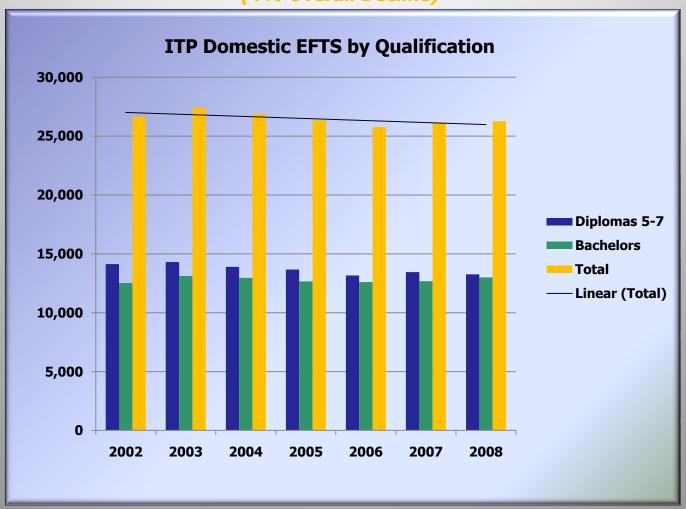


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# ITP Domestic EFTS 2003 (Peak) to 2008

7% Decline in Diplomas 5 to 7 // 1% Decline in Bachelors
(4% Overall Decline)



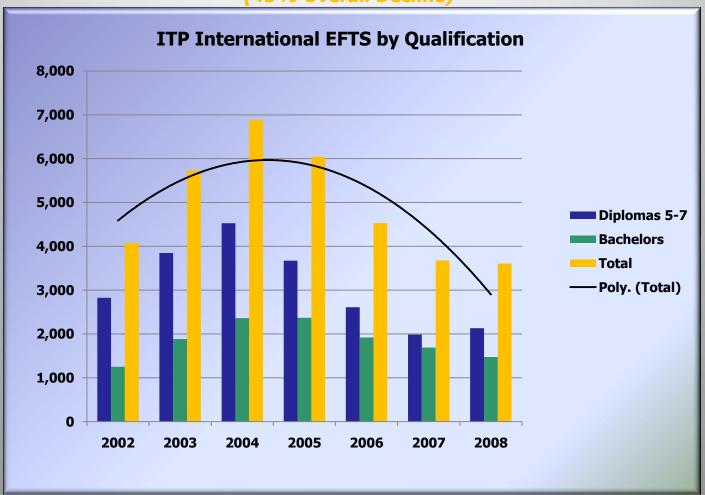
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# ITP International EFTS 2004 (Peak) to 2008

31% Decline in Diplomas // 38% Decline in Bachelors

(48% Overall Decline)



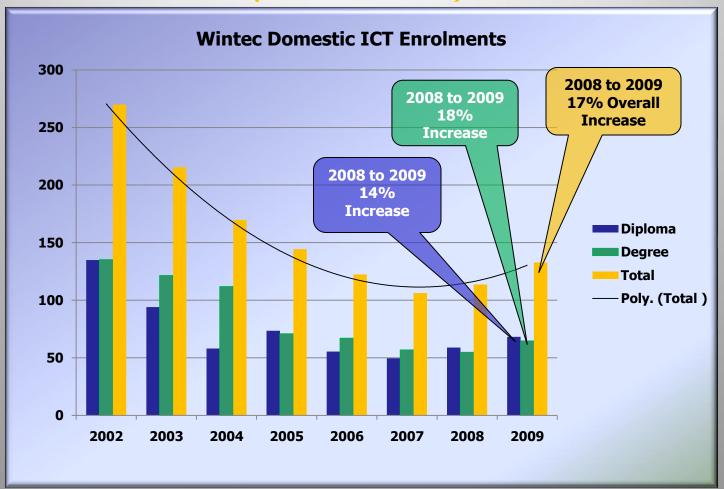
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### Wintec Domestic ICT EFTS 2002 to 2007

64% Decline in Diplomas // 58% Decline in Bachelors

(61% Overall Decline)



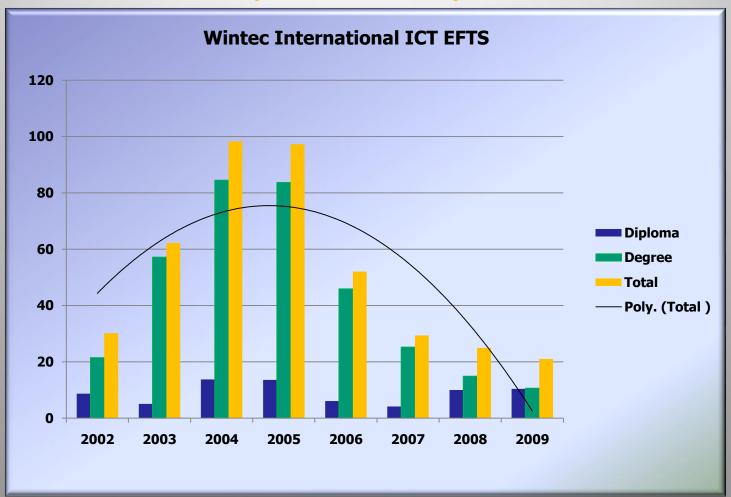
**Source:** Student MIS (Accessed March 2009)



# Wintec International ICT EFTS 2004 (Peak) to 2009

29% Decline in Diplomas // 87% Decline in Bachelors

(79% Overall Decline)

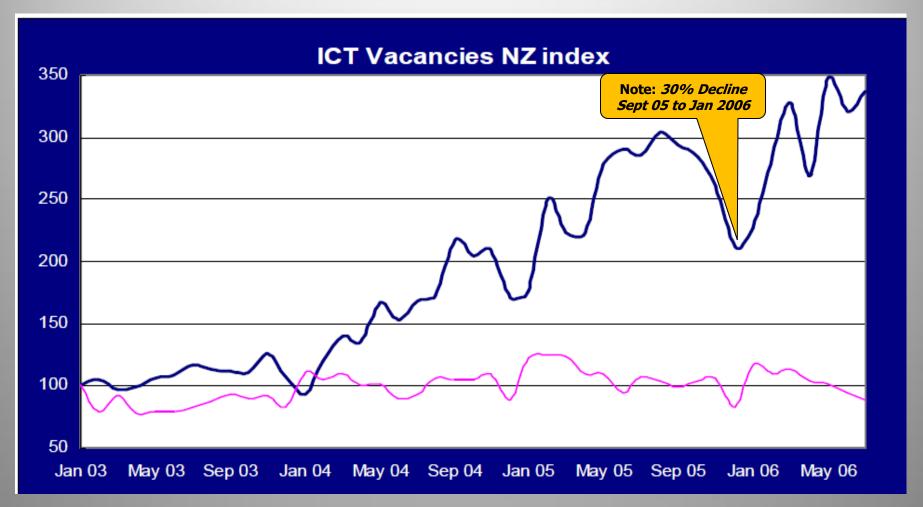


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#### New Zealand ICT Vacancies Index

May 2003 to May 2006 300% increase (Total jobs relatively static)

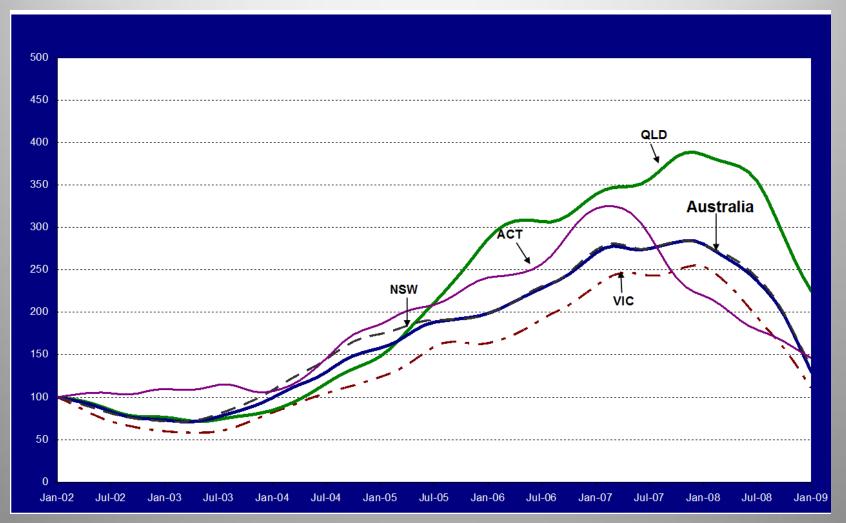


McCallum, S. Dept. of CS, <u>University of Otago</u> (Accessed April 2009)



### Australia ICT Vacancies Index

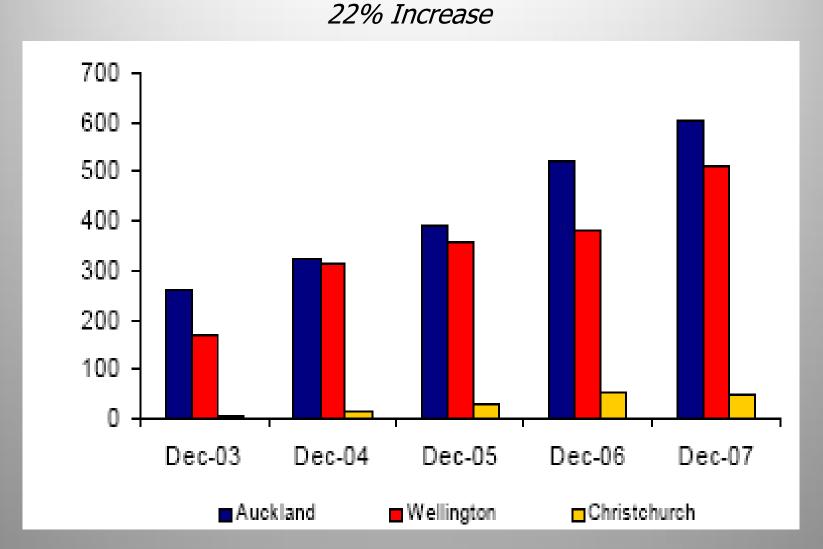
Jan 2003 to Jan 2008 300% increase



SkillsInfo Australia (Accessed April 2009)



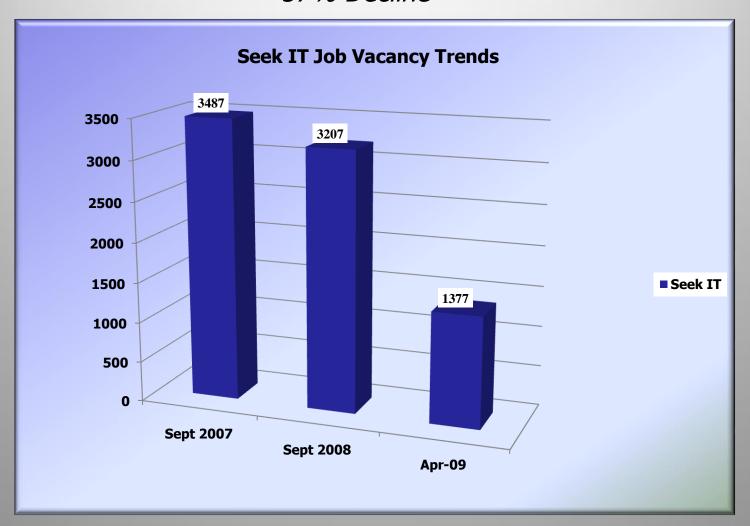
### IT Regional Vacancies in NZ Dec 2006 to Dec 2007



**DoL JVM** (Accessed May 2008)



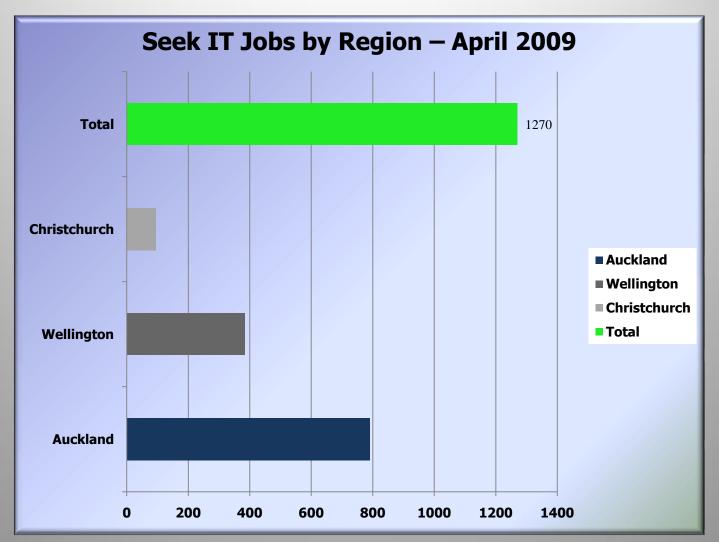
# IT Vacancies (NZ) Sept 2008 to April 2009 57% Decline







## IT Vacancies - Rest of NZ 107

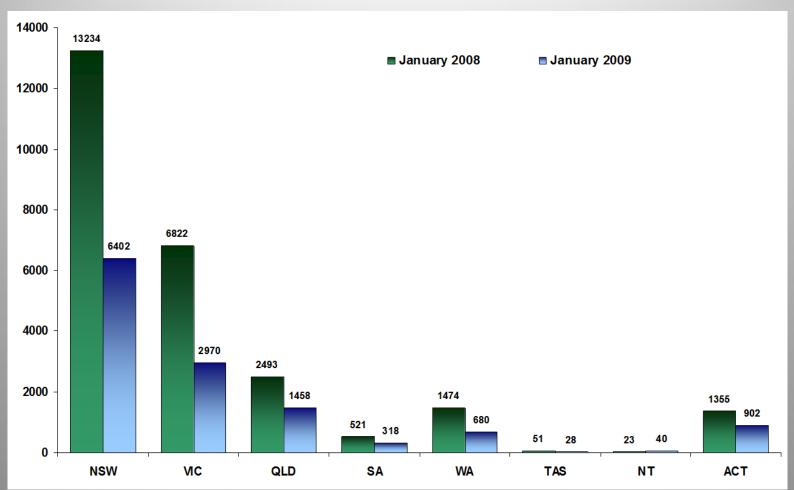


Seek IT (Accessed March 2009)



# Australia Decline in ICT State Vacancies

NSW - 52% // Victoria - 56%



SkillsInfo Australia (Accessed April 2009)



### Australian ICT Labour Market Feb 2009

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# ICT LABOUR MARKET INDICATORS

This presentation provides an overview of the demand side of the ICT labour market in Australia

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#### **Conclusions:**

- NACCQ diploma qualifications;
  - > meeting the needs of the domestic market
  - demand continuing/consistent and
  - > independent of fluctuating international market
- Gender imbalance an ongoing problem
- Australasian job market;
  - Global recession having a significant impact

#### **Recommendations:**

- Cherish the Blue Book (Harmonised ICT Qualifications)
- Harmonise ITP ICT degree qualifications

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