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Extend offers more jobs to Australians as other companies downsize

As the unemployment rate in Australia currently sits nervously at 5.4% in April this yearⁱ and is predicted to rise to close to 8%ⁱⁱ, many Australians fear that they will be the next one in line to be affected by the economic crisis. As big conglomerates restructure as a direct result of the economic crisis, thousands of Australian jobs are lost overseas, leaving many Australians unable to adequately provide for their families.

Despite this time of economic hardship, *Extend* (Australia), an Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) provider is currently recruiting for eighteen job vacancies across VIC, QLD, NSW, and ACT. "We're determined to not compromise on quality despite the economic climate; and that means not cutting down on one of the most important assets in any organisation – people", states Darren Stevenson, Managing Director of *Extend*. As *Extend* expands, Mr Stevenson acknowledges the need to invest in quality staff not only at the OSHC programs but also at Head Office where administration is managed effectively and efficiently; "earlier this year we filled a new position in the Marketing department and now we are looking for the most suitable applicants to fill positions in the Accounting and Programs Coordinating departments, in addition to an ongoing recruitment drive."

During this tough time of the global financial crisis, *Extend* is offering jobs to deserving Australians.

For more information on current job vacancies at *Extend*, please visit the "Careers at Extend" page on the website at: www.extend.com.au

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ⁱ Australian Bureau of Statistics, <www.abs.gov.au>

ⁱⁱ International Monetary Fund, <www.imf.org>

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