

Labour Market Dashboard
Victoria

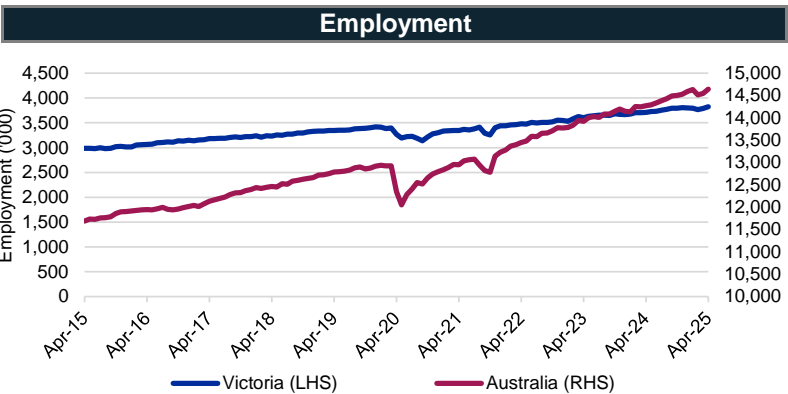
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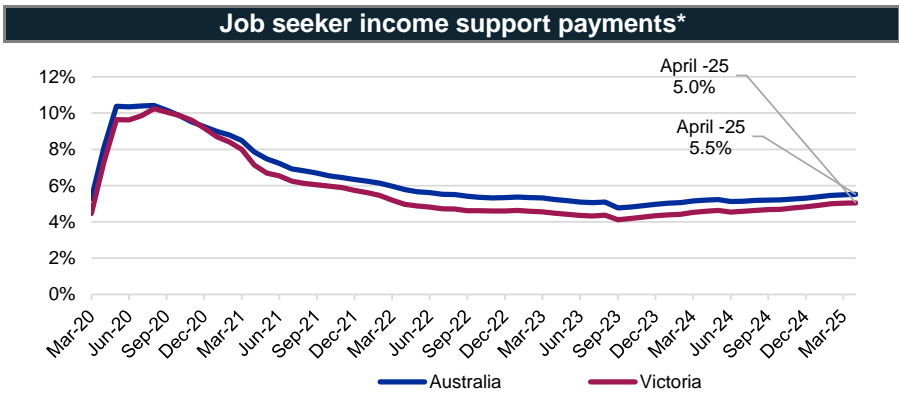
This Labour Market Dashboard provides a summary of the key indicators for the Victorian labour market. Dashboards for Australia and Employment Regions are also available.

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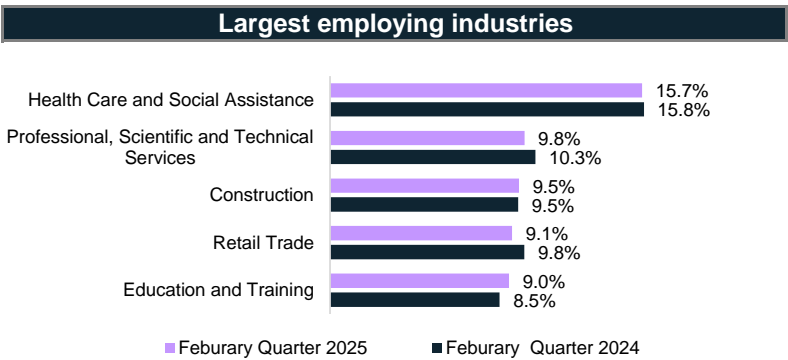
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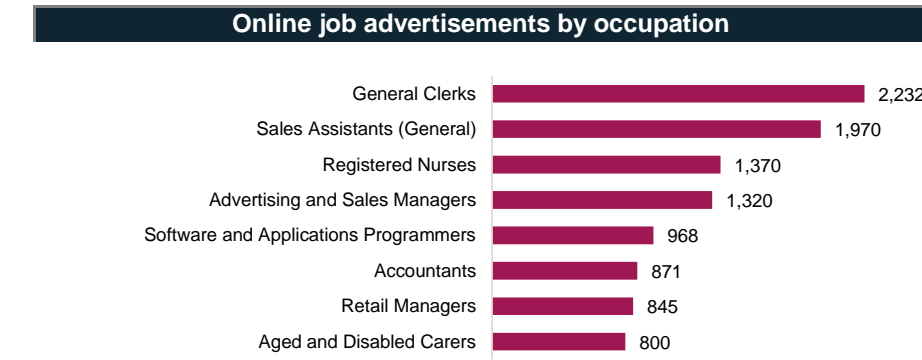


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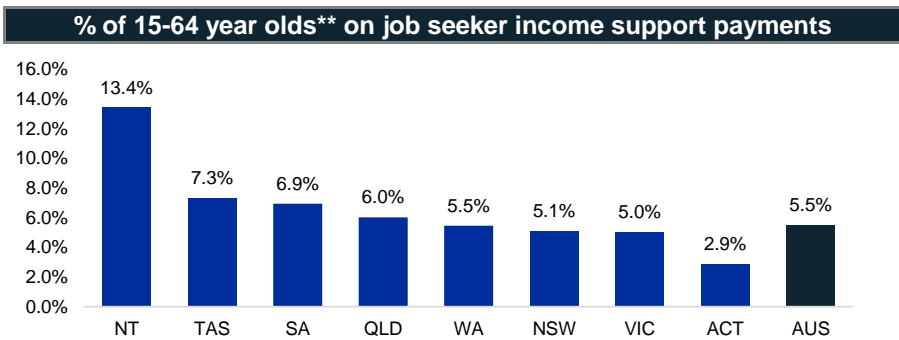
Change in job seeker income support payments		
	Victoria	Australia
Payments - April 2024	205,520	900,795
Payments - April 2025	232,205	976,520
Change (April 2024 to April 2025)	↑ 26,685	↑ 75,725
Change % (April 2024 to April 2025)	↑ 13.0%	↑ 8.4%



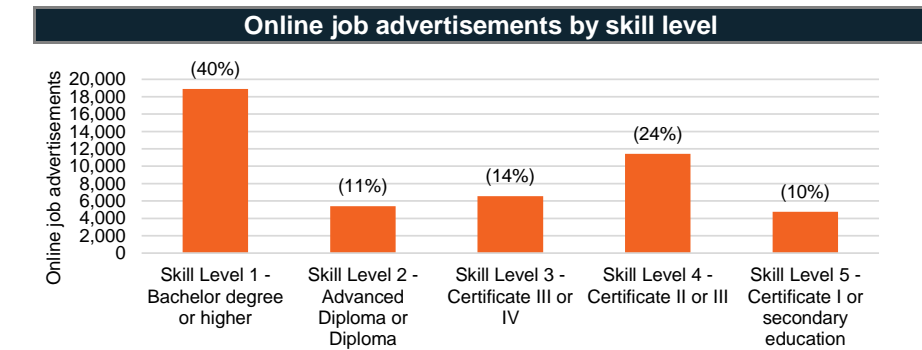
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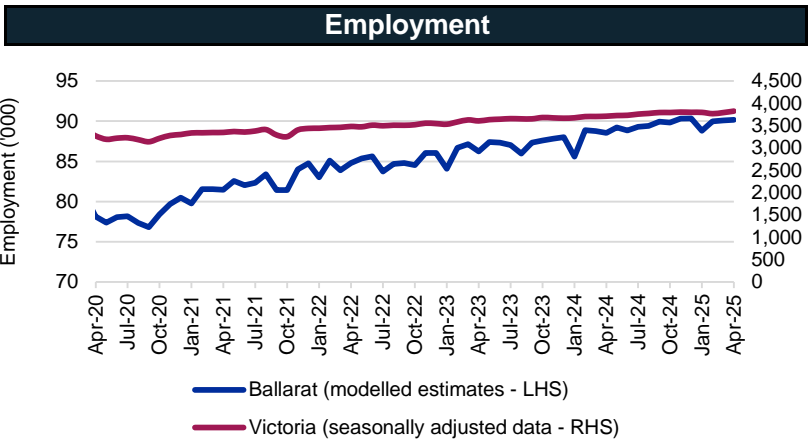
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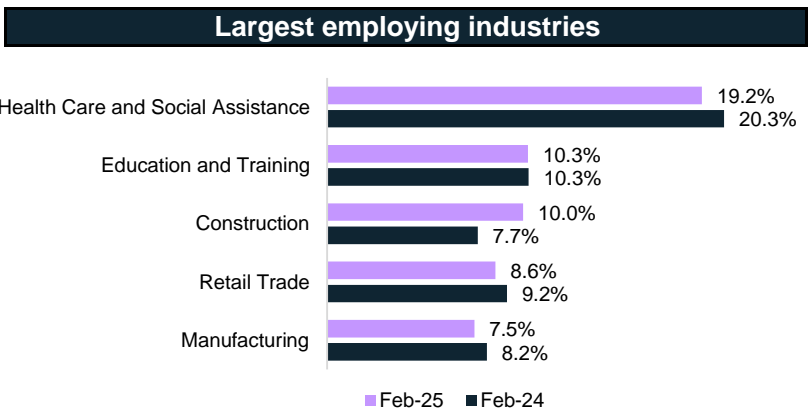
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Ballarat	90.2	88.5	1.8	3.4	3.1	9.1	3.6	3.4	61.9	61.3	5.6	12.7
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
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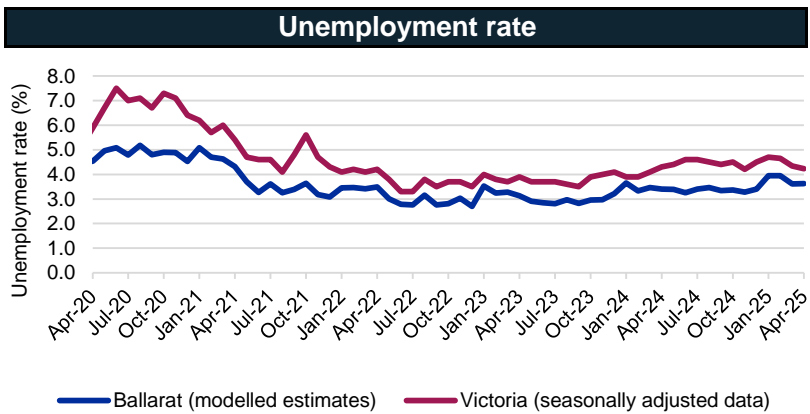
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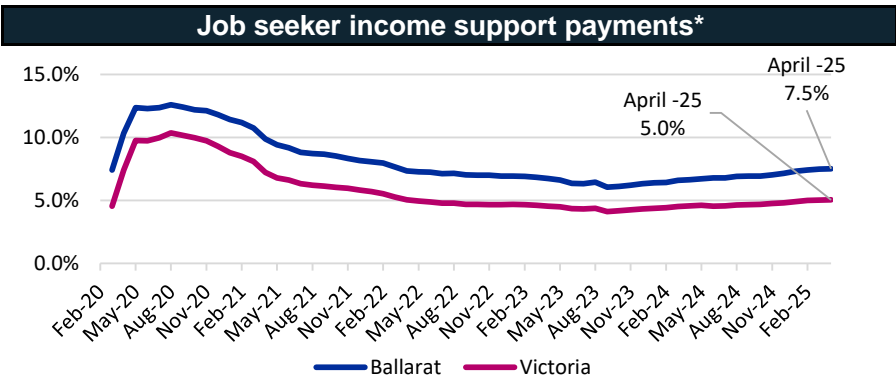
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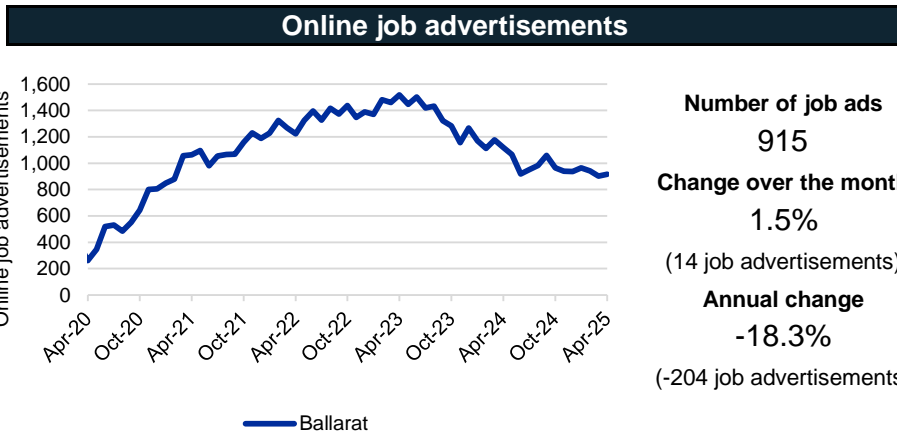
	Ballarat	Victoria
Payments - April 2024	7,280	205,520
Payments - April 2025	8,240	232,205
Change from April 2024 to April 2025	↑ 960	↑ 26,685
	↑ 13.2%	↑ 13.0%

% of 15-64 year olds**on job seeker income support payments		
	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
Ballarat	8,240	7.5%
Victoria	232,205	5.0%
Australia	976,520	5.5%

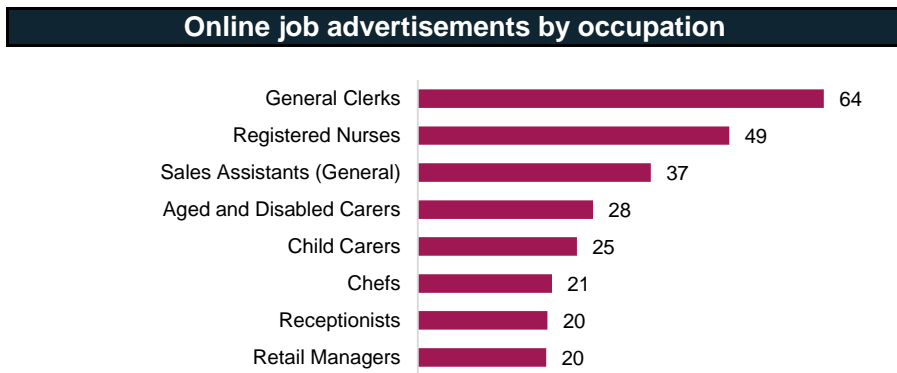
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Dec-24	Dec-23
Central Goldfields	7.9	9.2
Ararat	5.0	3.9
Pyrenees	4.6	5.2
Ballarat	4.3	4.2
Moorabool	3.3	3.5

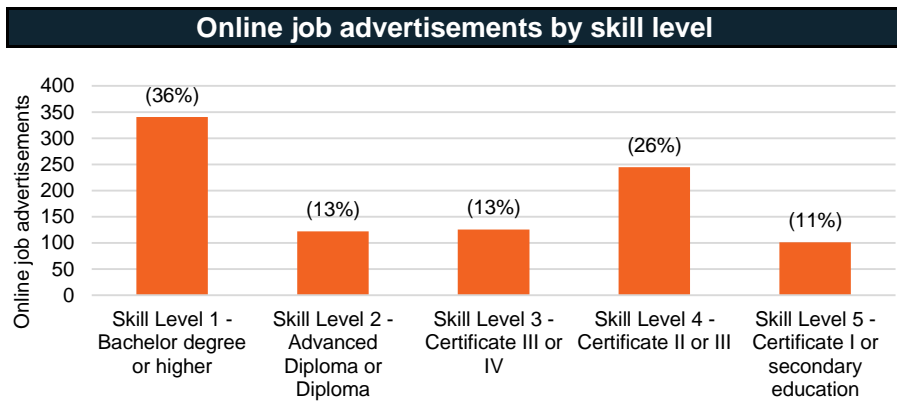
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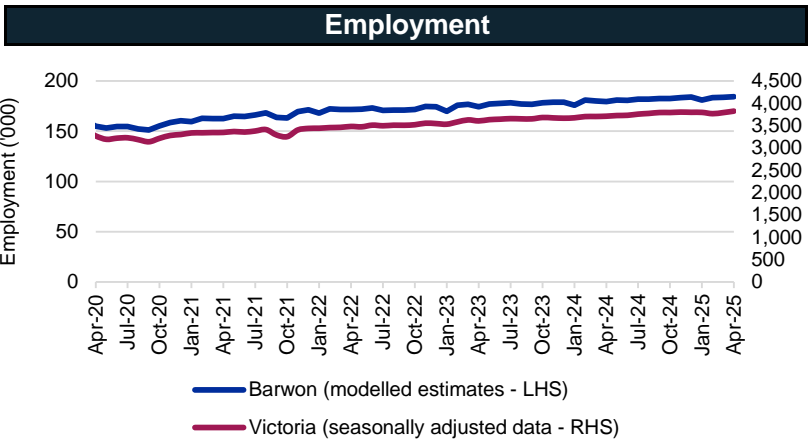
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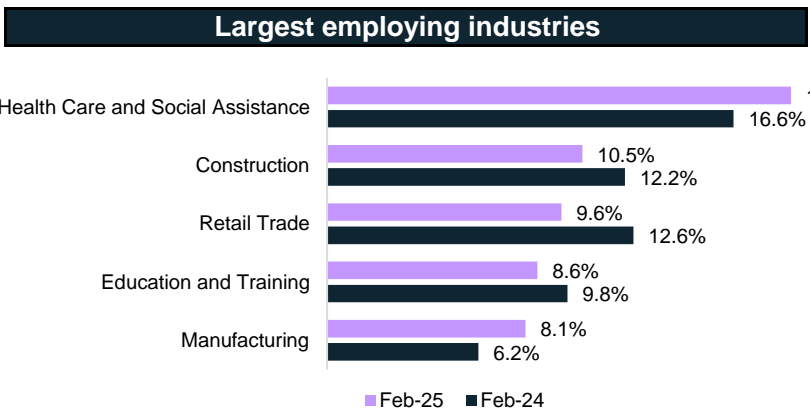
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Barwon	184.3	179.3	2.8	6.4	6.2	3.0	3.4	3.3	65.9	65.1	7.5	10.8
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
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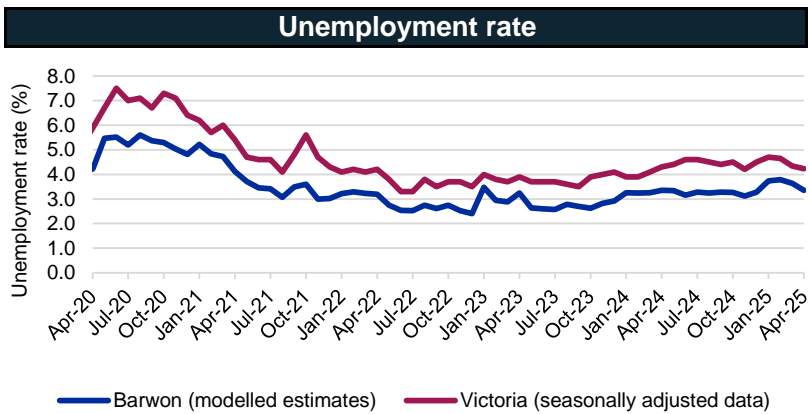
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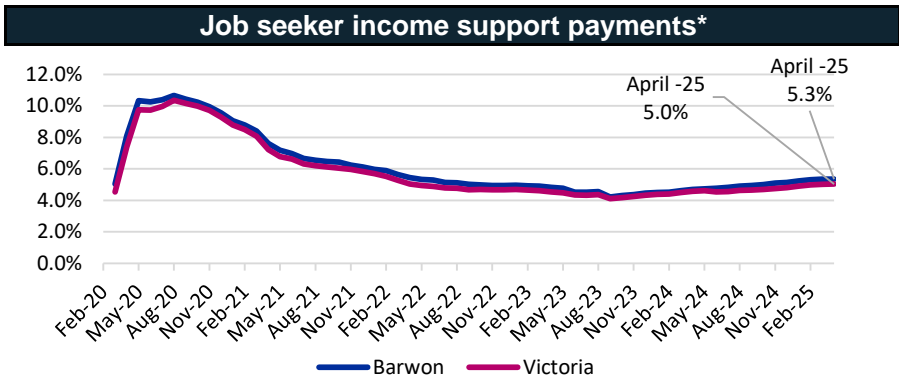
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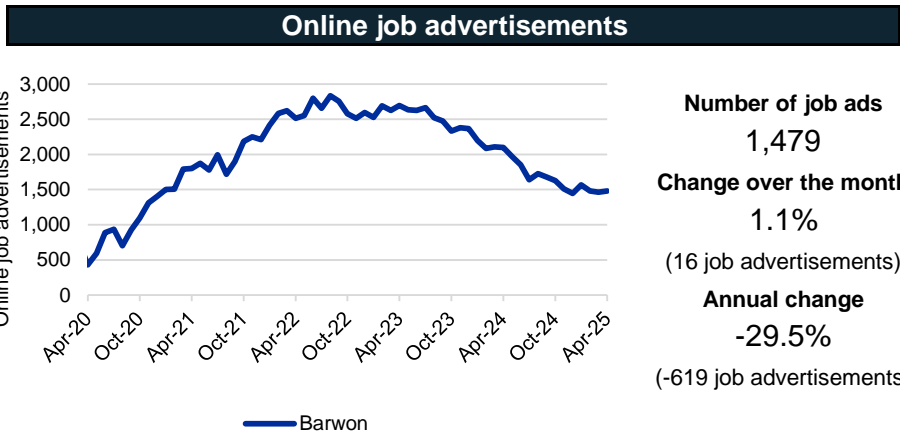
	Barwon	Victoria
Payments - April 2024	9,975	205,520
Payments - April 2025	11,375	232,205
Change from April 2024 to April 2025	↑ 1,400	↑ 26,685
	↑ 14.0%	↑ 13.0%

% of 15-64 year olds**on job seeker income support payments		
	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
Barwon	11,375	5.3%
Victoria	232,205	5.0%
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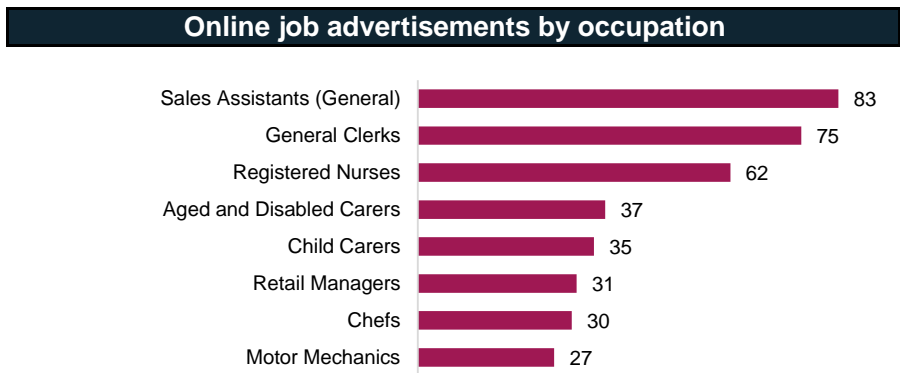
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Dec-24	Dec-23
Greater Geelong	4.6	3.8
Golden Plains	3.0	2.5
Surf Coast	1.5	1.4

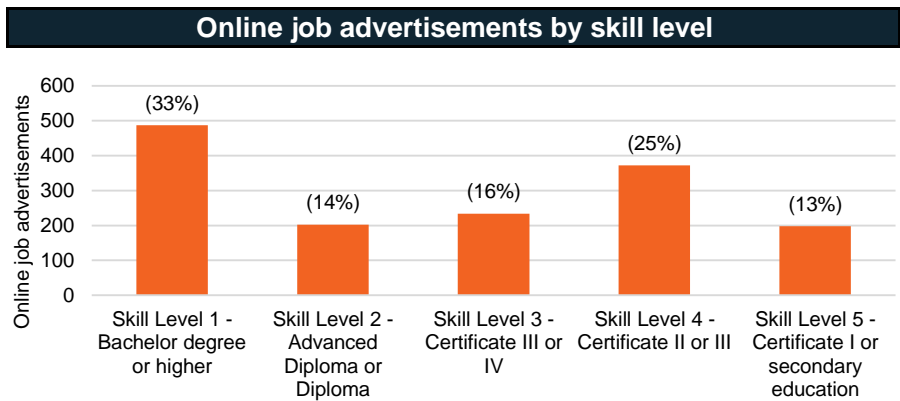
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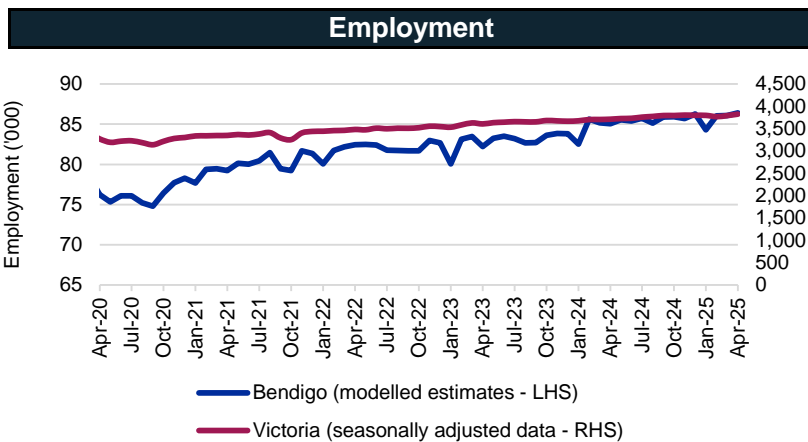
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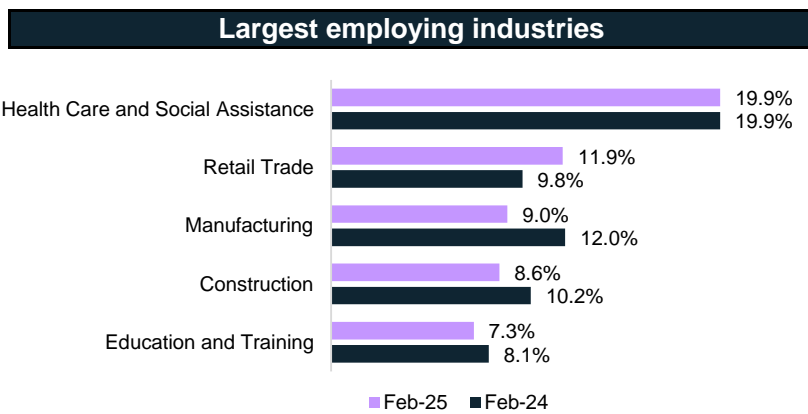
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Bendigo	86.4	85.0	1.6	3.0	2.8	5.4	3.3	3.2	62.7	62.0	11.3	4.7
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
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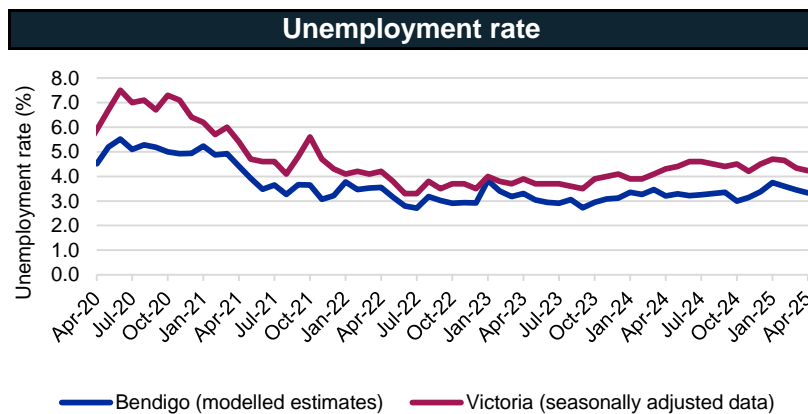
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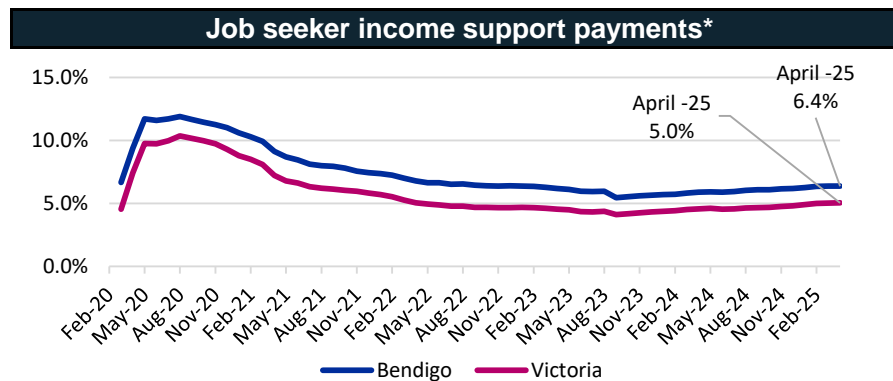
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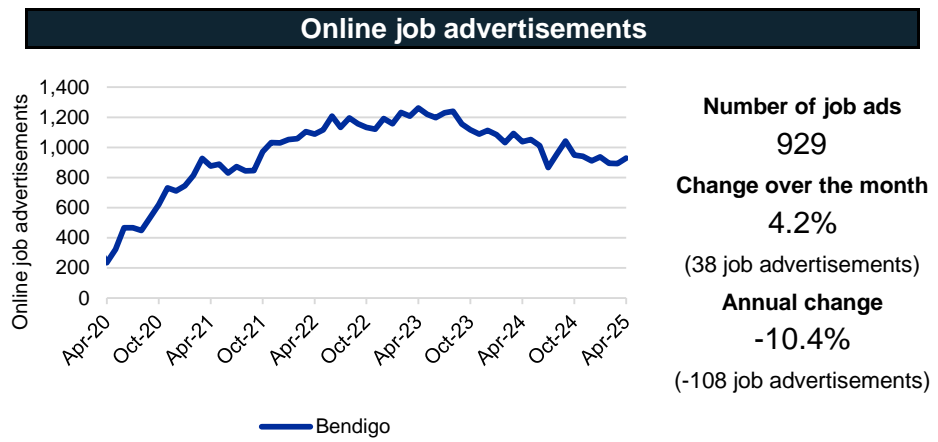
	Bendigo	Victoria
Payments - April 2024	6,060	205,520
Payments - April 2025	6,545	232,205
Change from April 2024 to April 2025	↑ 485	↑ 26,685
	↑ 8.0%	↑ 13.0%

% of 15-64 year olds** on job seeker income support payments		
	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
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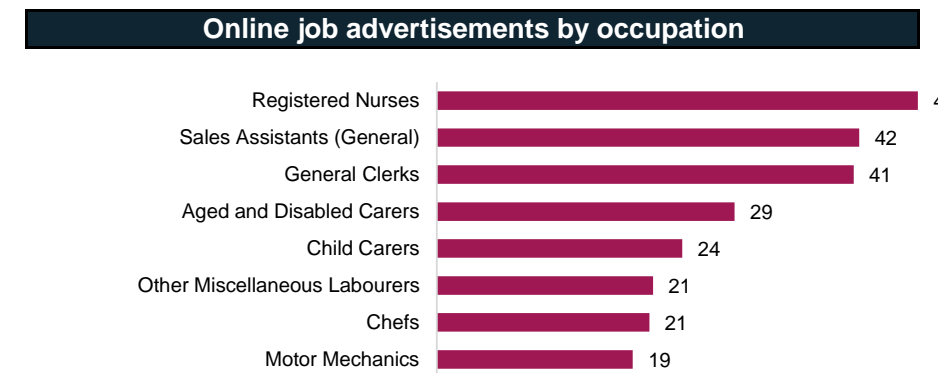
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Dec-24	Dec-23
Loddon	5.0	5.4
Greater Bendigo	4.0	3.5
Mount Alexander	3.1	2.7
Macedon Ranges	1.8	1.6

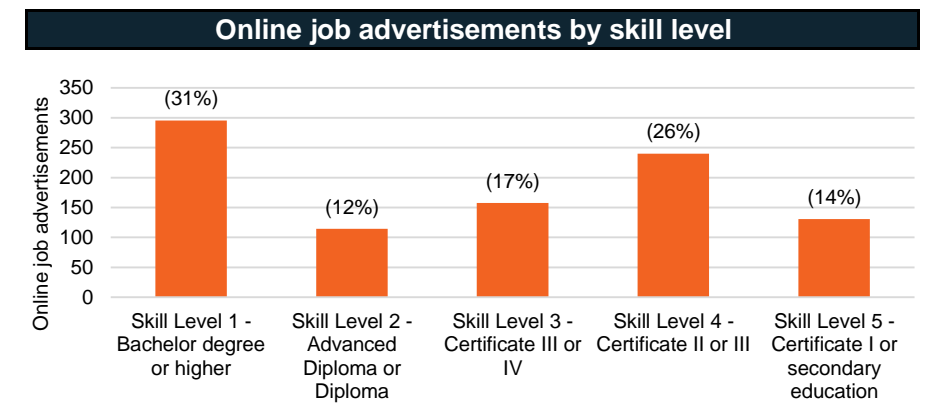
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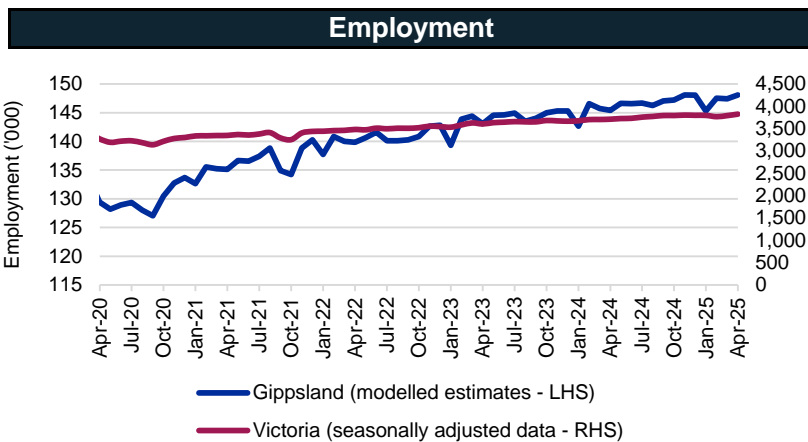
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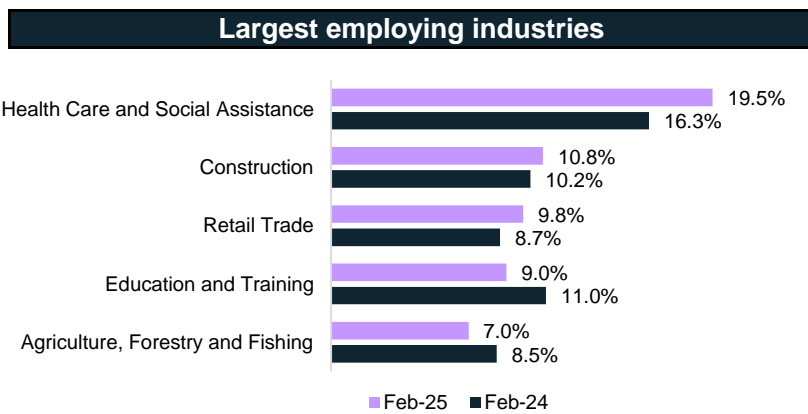
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Gippsland	148.1	145.4	1.8	6.2	6.3	-1.8	4.0	4.1	59.4	58.9	15.0	6.6
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
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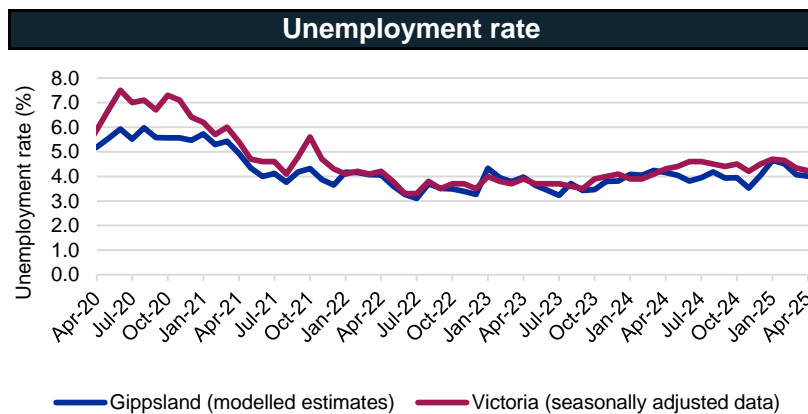
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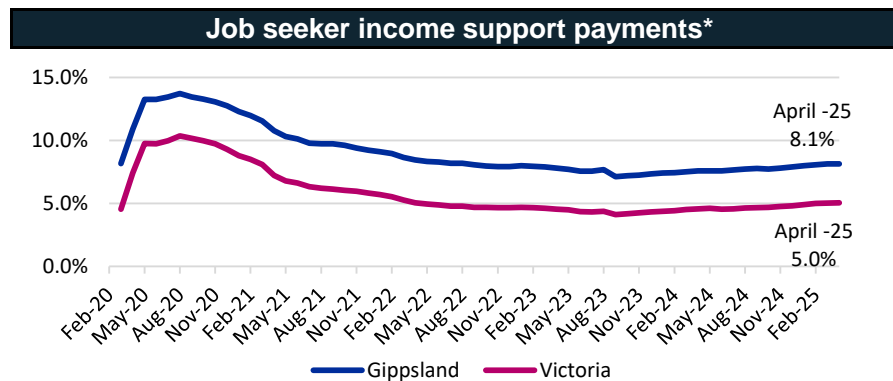
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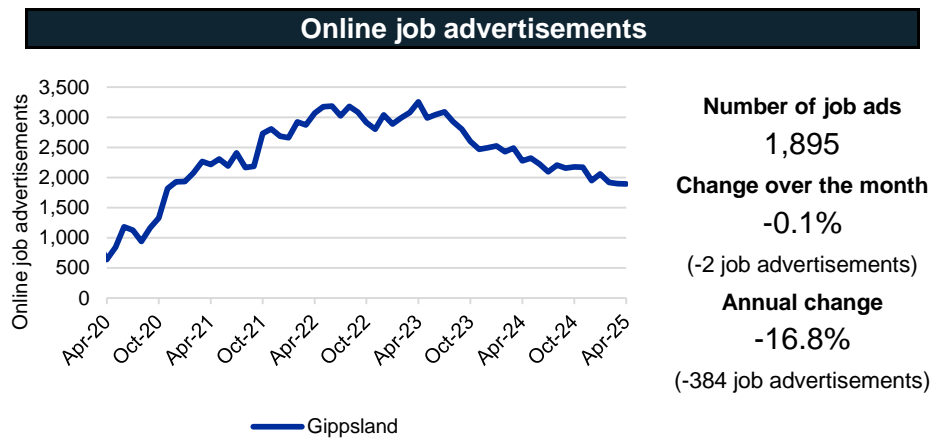
	Gippsland	Victoria
Payments - April 2024	13,490	205,520
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% of 15-64 year olds** on job seeker income support payments		
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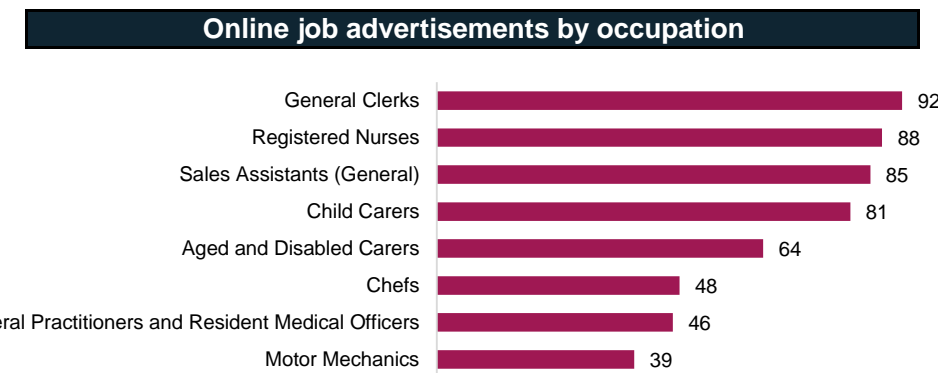
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Dec-24	Dec-23
Latrobe (Vic.)	7.4	4.9
East Gippsland	6.1	4.2
Wellington	4.8	3.2
Bass Coast	3.9	2.8
Baw Baw	3.2	2.1

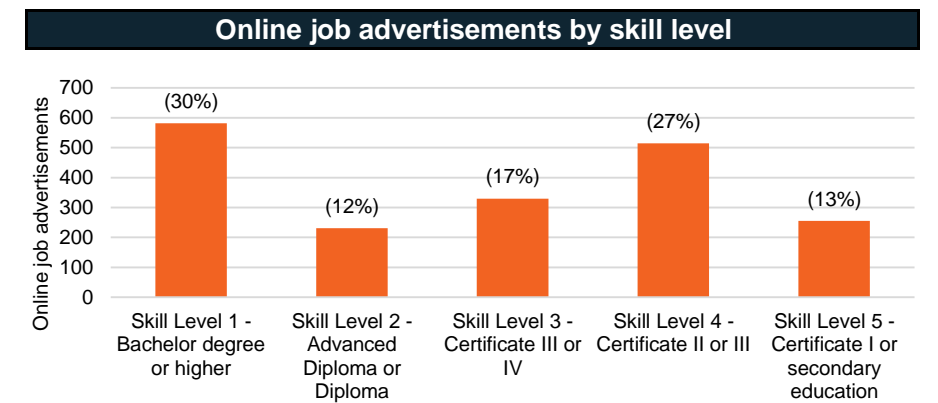
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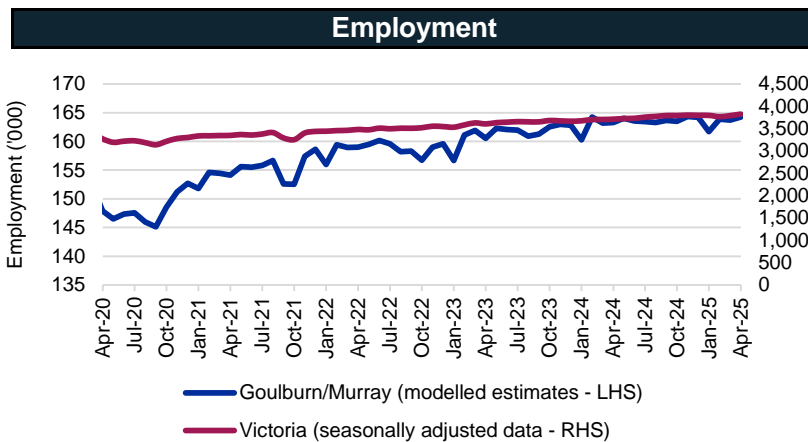
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Goulburn/Murray	164.2	163.3	0.6	5.7	5.5	2.1	3.3	3.3	63.0	62.7	4.5	4.6
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
Australia	14,642.7	14,252.9	2.7	621.1	607.5	2.2	4.1	4.1	67.1	66.7	8.8	9.8

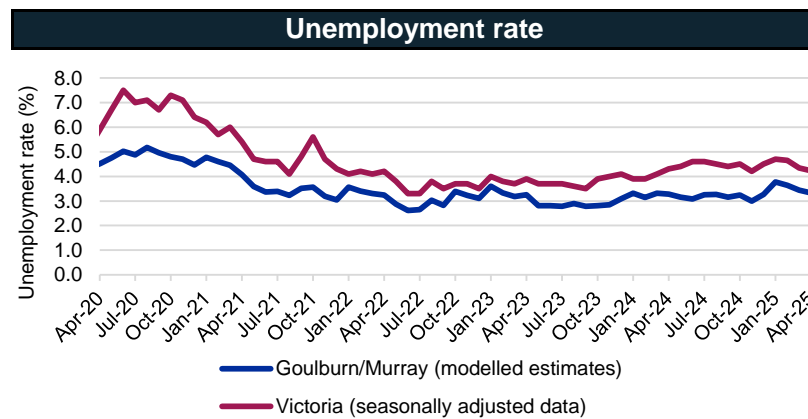
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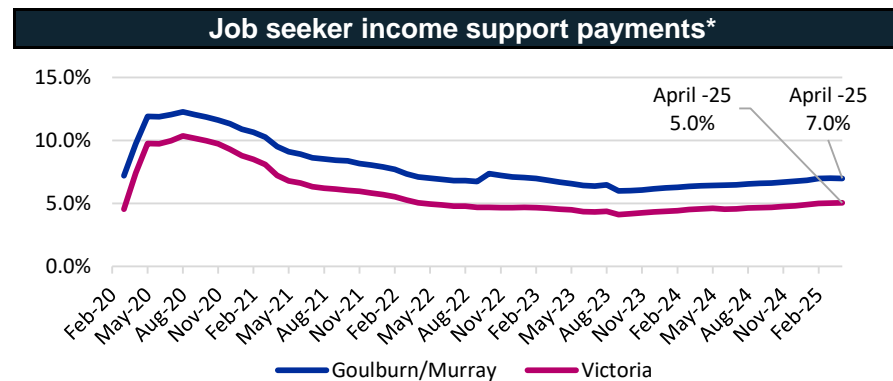
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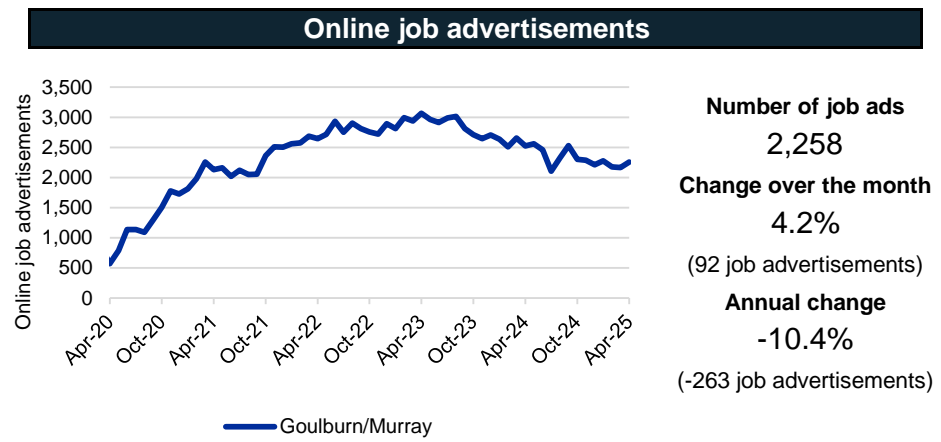
	Goulburn/Murray	Victoria
Payments - April 2024	14,510	205,520
Payments - April 2025	15,850	232,205
Change from April 2024 to April 2025	↑ 1,340	↑ 26,685
	↑ 9.2%	↑ 13.0%

% of 15-64 year olds** on job seeker income support payments		
	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
Goulburn/Murray	15,850	7.0%
Victoria	232,205	5.0%
Australia	976,520	5.5%

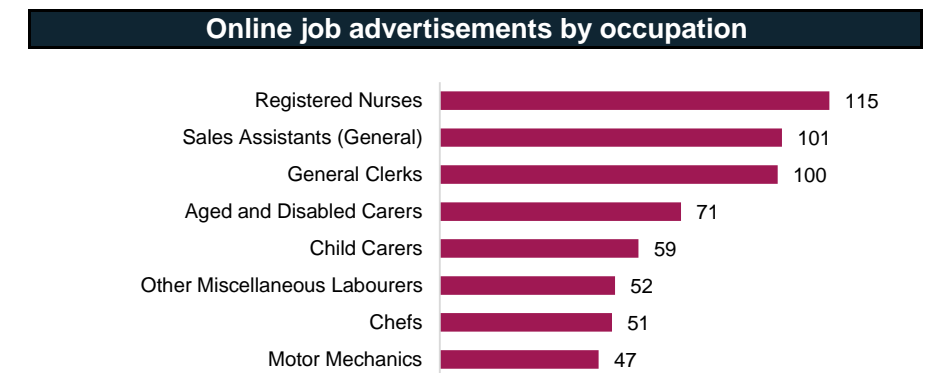
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Dec-24	Dec-23
Benalla	4.4	3.3
Mitchell	4.2	3.4
Wodonga	4.2	3.0
Albury	3.9	5.1
Wangaratta	3.8	2.6

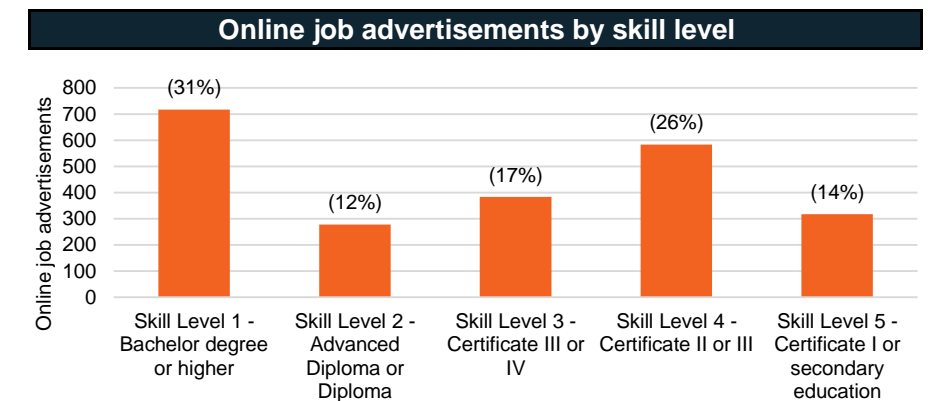
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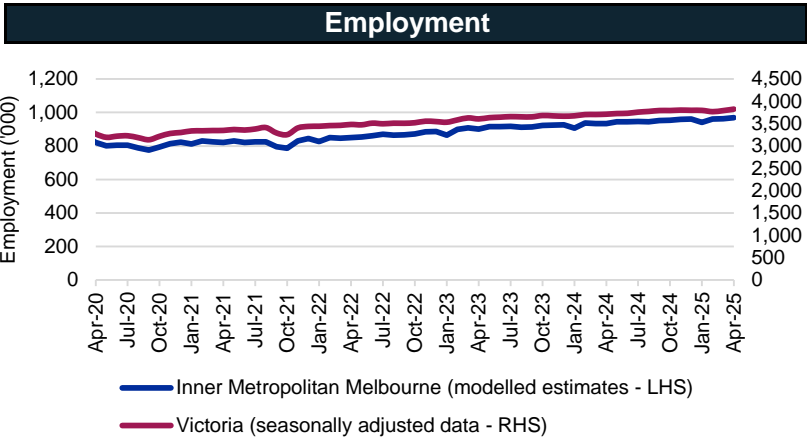
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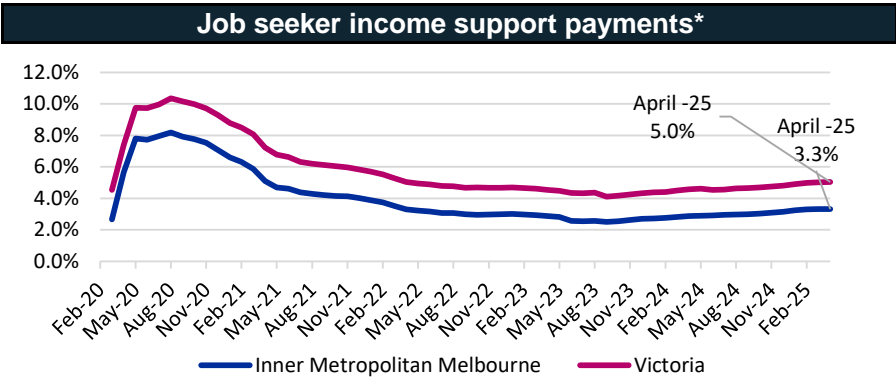
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Inner Metropolitan Melbourne	968.9	934.1	3.7	41.2	41.0	0.4	4.1	4.2	71.5	71.8	10.8	9.4
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
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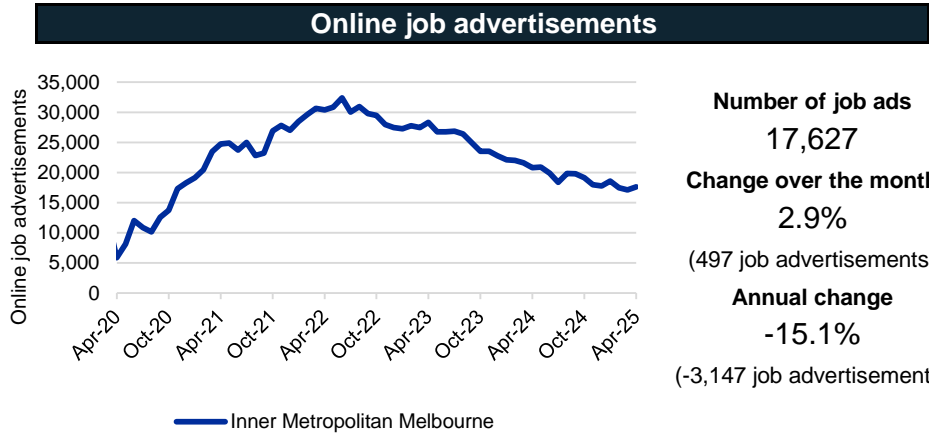
Change in job seeker income support payments		
	Inner Metropolitan Melbourne	Victoria
Payments - April 2024	31,015	205,520
Payments - April 2025	35,865	232,205
Change from April 2024 to April 2025	↑ 4,850	↑ 26,685
	↑ 15.6%	↑ 13.0%

% of 15-64 year olds**on job seeker income support payments		
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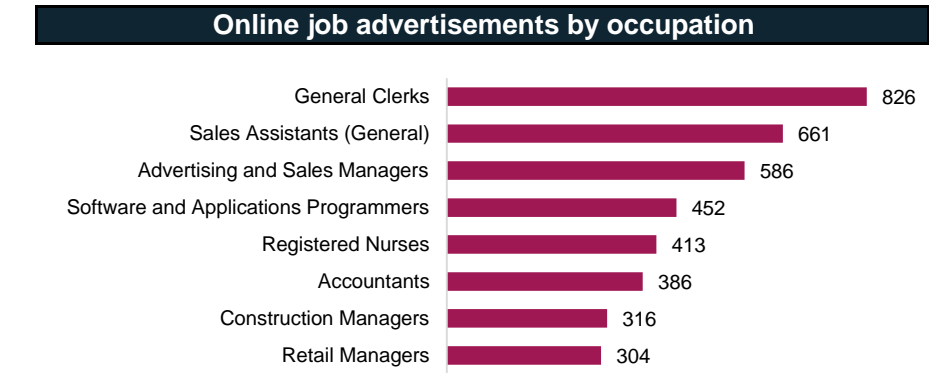
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Dec-24	Dec-23
Yarra	5.5	4.3
Merri-bek	5.3	4.3
Darebin	4.9	4.4
Kingston (Vic.)	4.7	3.5
Port Phillip	4.7	3.9

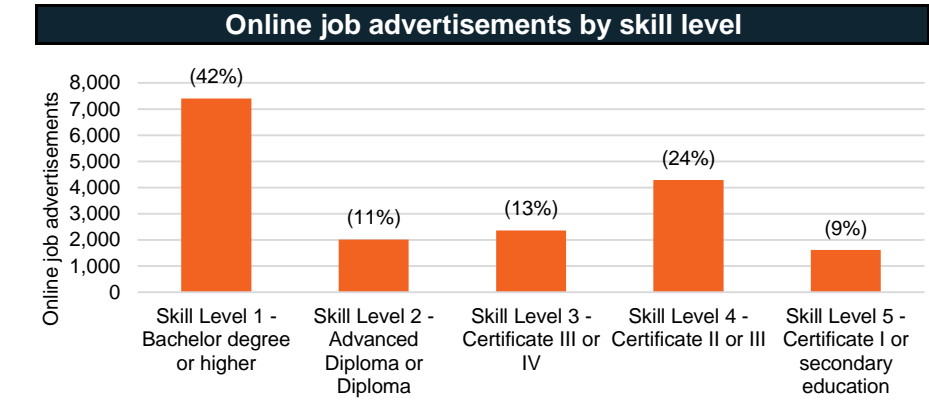
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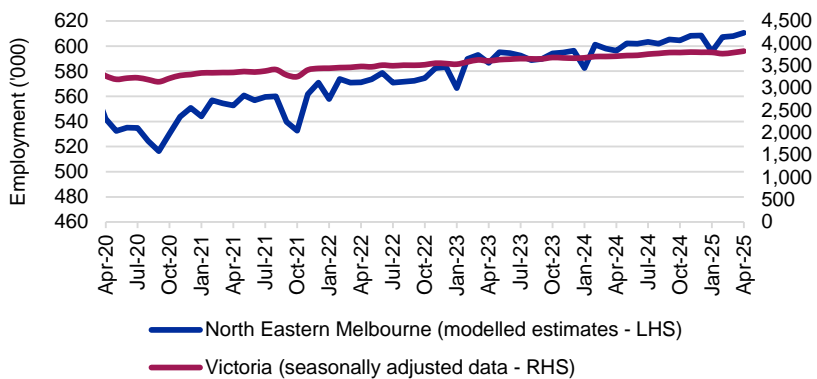
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North Eastern Melbourne	610.6	596.2	2.4	24.8	24.6	0.8	3.9	4.0	68.6	68.1	10.2	9.3
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
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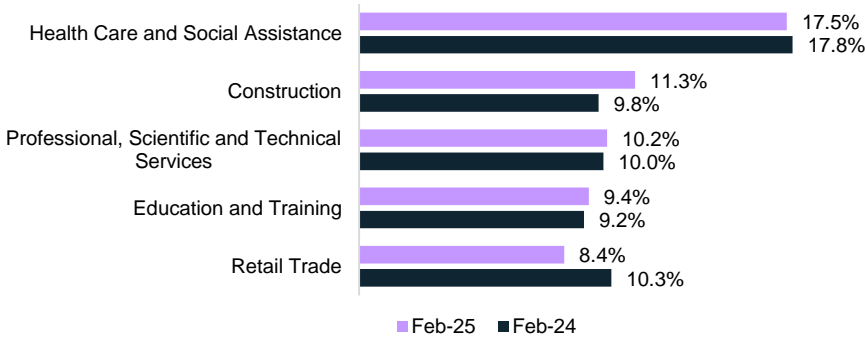
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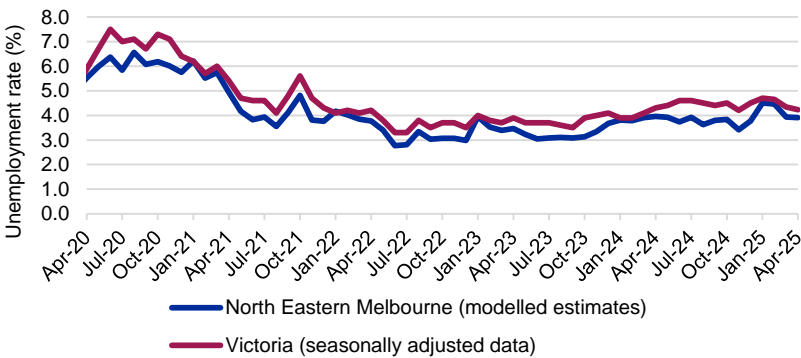
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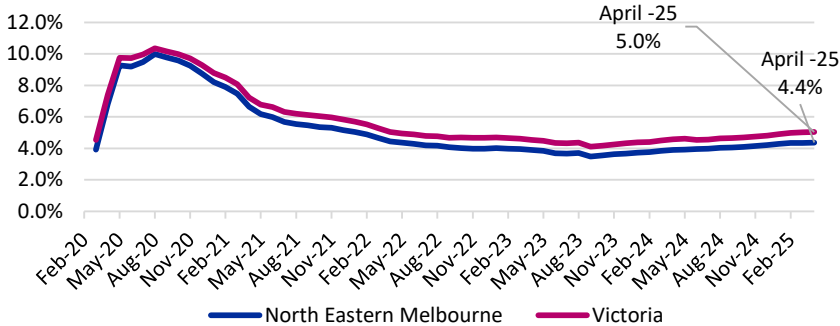
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Unemployment rate



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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	North Eastern Melbourne	Victoria
Payments - April 2024	27,885	205,520
Payments - April 2025	31,295	232,205
Change from April 2024 to April 2025	↑ 3,410	↑ 26,685
	↑ 12.2%	↑ 13.0%

% of 15-64 year olds** on job seeker income support payments

	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
North Eastern Melbourne	31,295	4.4%
Victoria	232,205	5.0%
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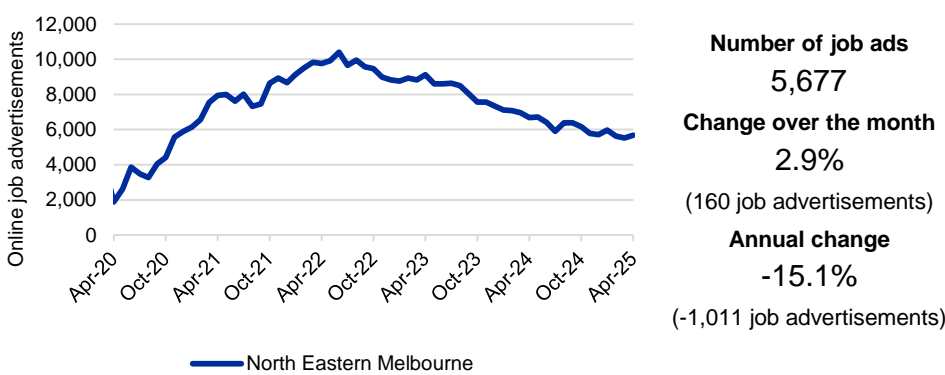
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Dec-24	Dec-23
Darebin	4.9	4.4
Whittlesea	4.4	4.4
Knox	4.2	3.0
Mitchell	4.2	3.4
Maroondah	4.1	3.0

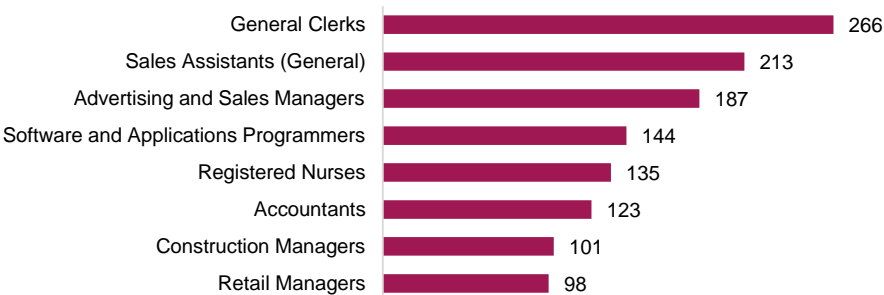
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Online job advertisements



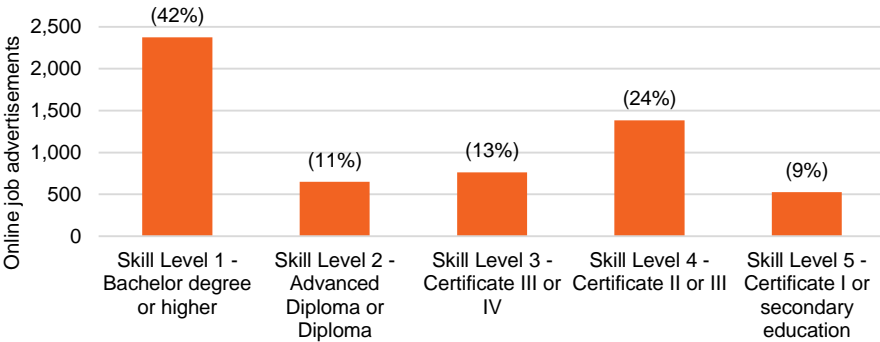
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Online job advertisements by skill level



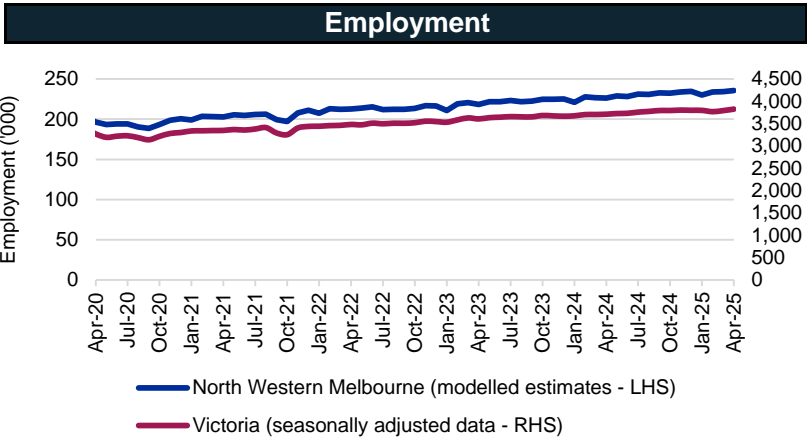
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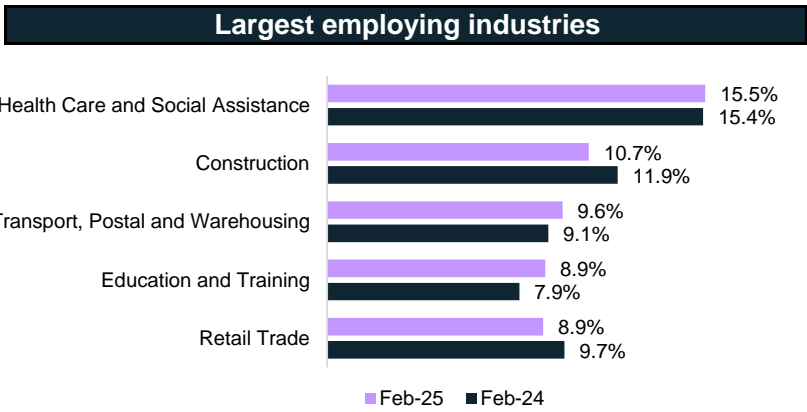
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North Western Melbourne	235.6	226.1	4.2	13.5	13.7	-1.3	5.4	5.7	66.2	65.4	16.0	11.4
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
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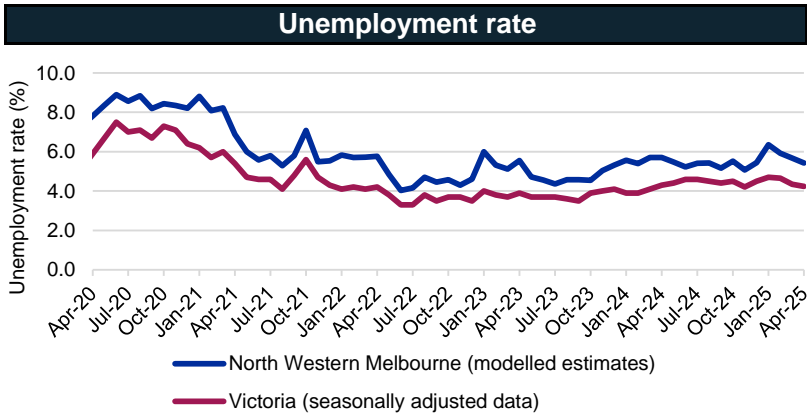
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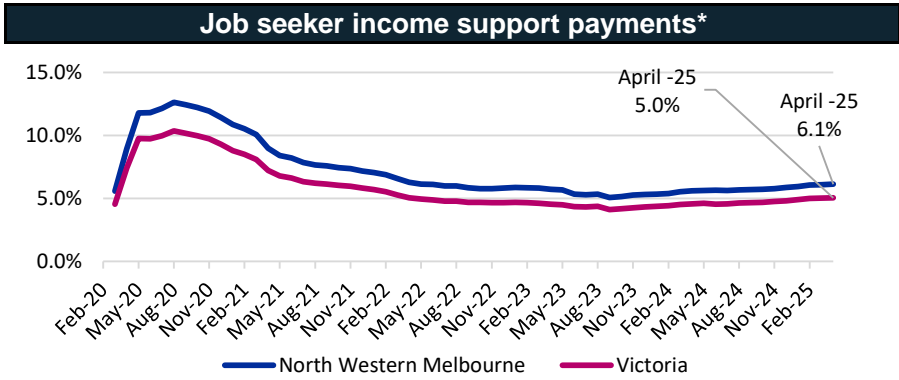
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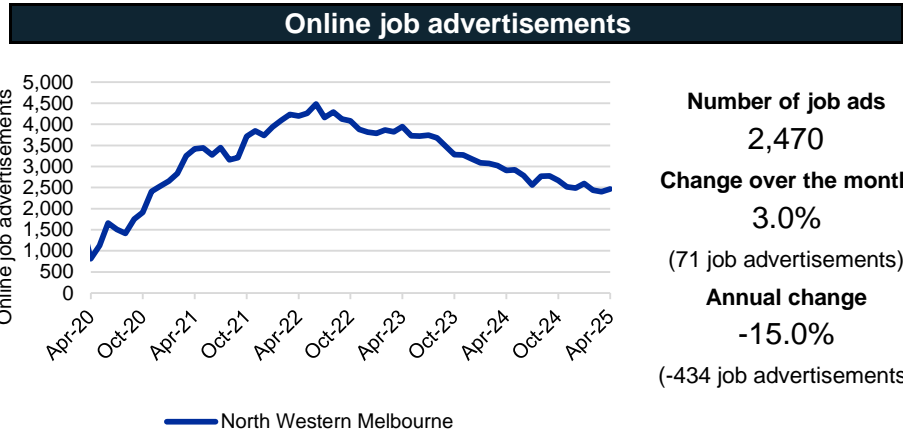
Change in job seeker income support payments		North Western Melbourne	Victoria
Payments - April 2024		16,690	205,520
Payments - April 2025		18,240	232,205
Change from April 2024 to April 2025	↑	1,550	26,685
	↑	9.3%	13.0%

% of 15-64 year olds**on job seeker income support payments		
	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
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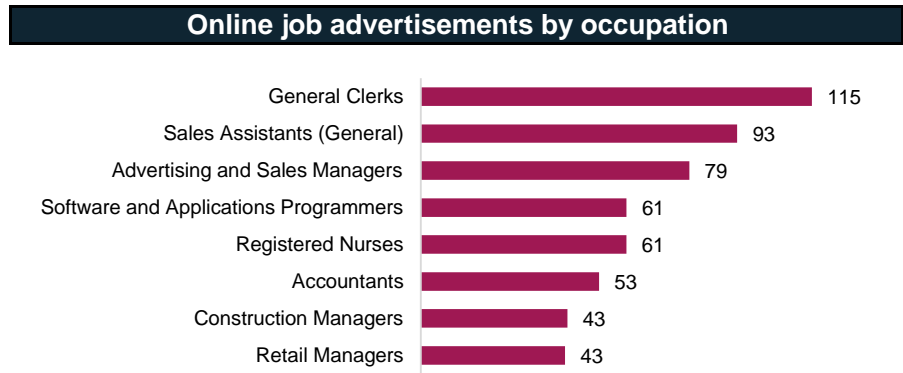
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Dec-24	Dec-23
Hume	7.8	6.8
Brimbank	5.9	6.7
Merri-bek	5.3	4.3
Moonee Valley	4.6	3.5
Macedon Ranges	1.8	1.6

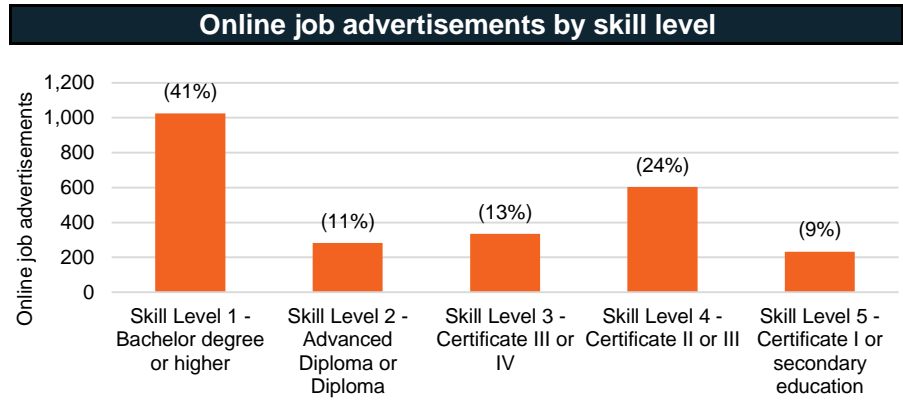
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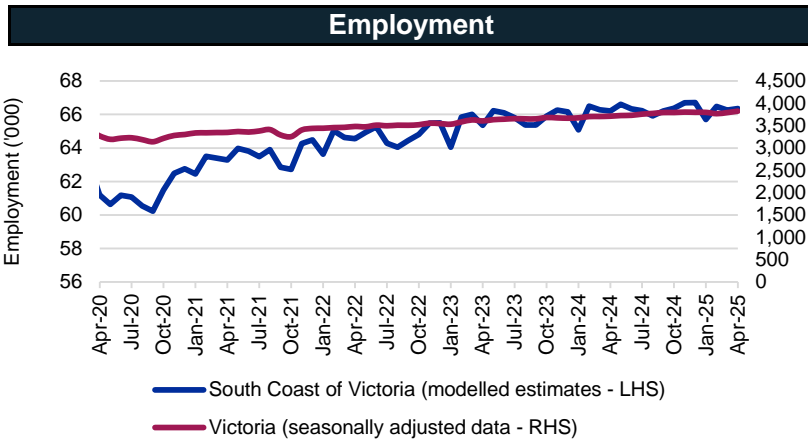
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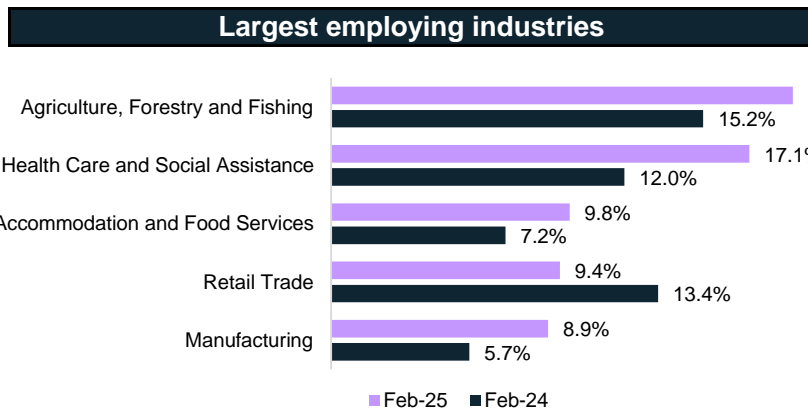
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South Coast of Victoria	66.4	66.2	0.2	1.9	1.8	2.8	2.7	2.7	63.8	63.6	5.3	1.4
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
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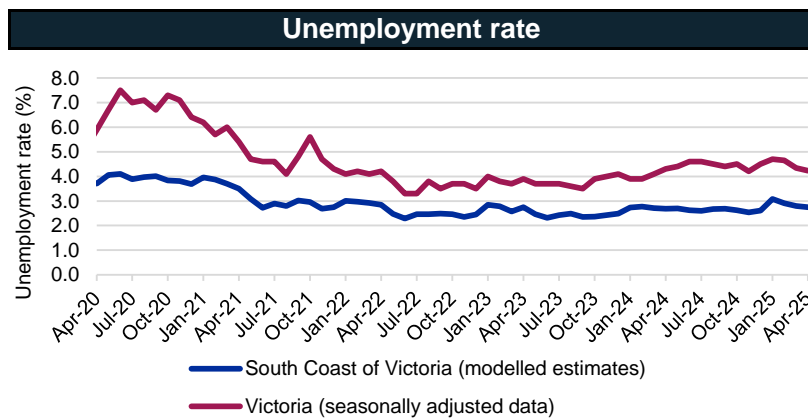
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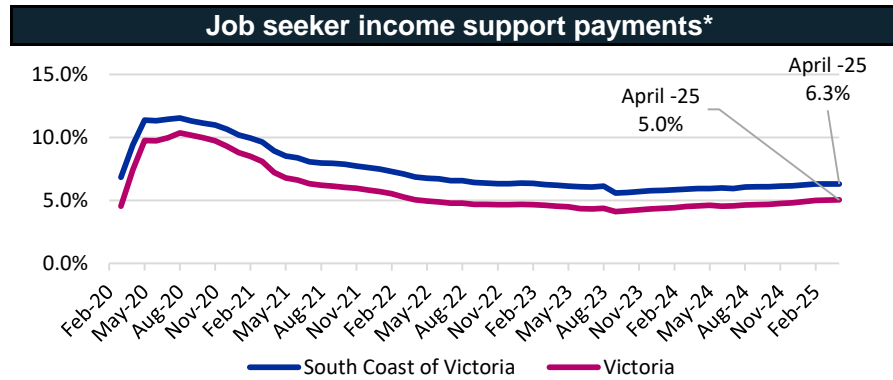
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Change in job seeker income support payments		South Coast of Victoria	Victoria
Payments - April 2024		4,495	205,520
Payments - April 2025		4,770	232,205
Change from April 2024 to April 2025	↑	275	26,685
	↑	6.1%	13.0%

% of 15-64 year olds** on job seeker income support payments		
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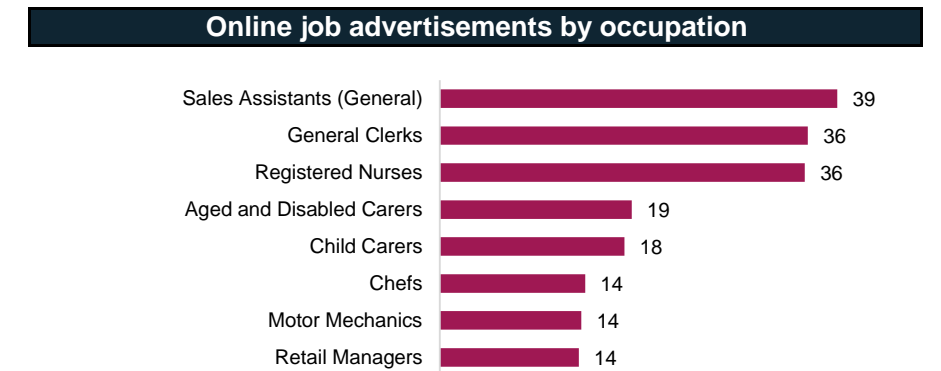
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Local Government Area (LGA)	Dec-24	Dec-23
Glenelg	3.0	2.9
Southern Grampians	2.3	2.1
Warrnambool	2.0	1.8
Colac Otway	1.9	1.8
Corangamite	1.6	1.5

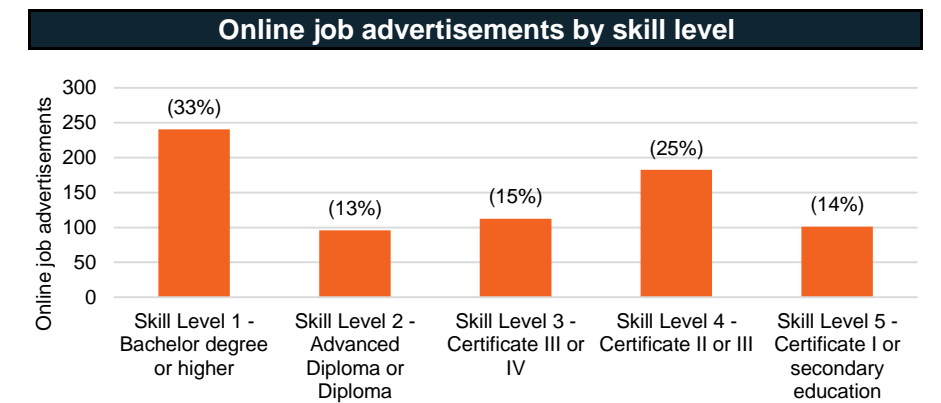
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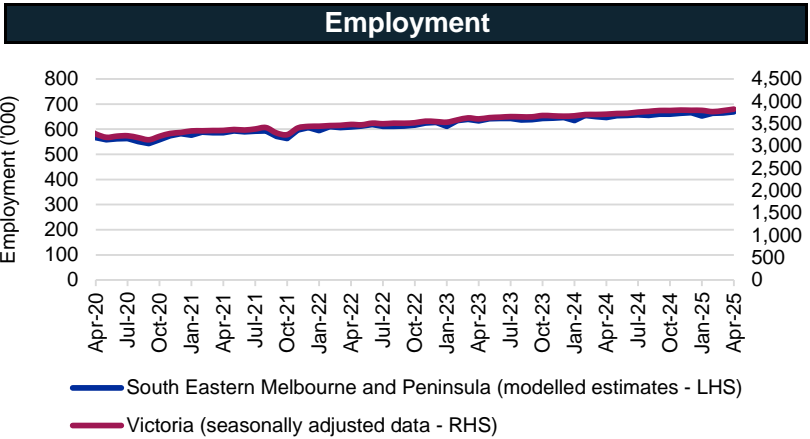
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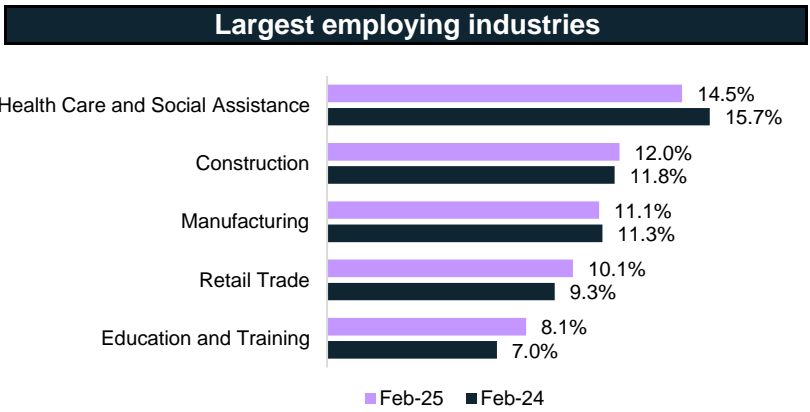
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South Eastern Melbourne and Peninsula	669.1	646.5	3.5	36.4	35.3	3.1	5.2	5.2	67.7	66.9	9.5	10.8
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
Australia	14,642.7	14,252.9	2.7	621.1	607.5	2.2	4.1	4.1	67.1	66.7	8.8	9.8

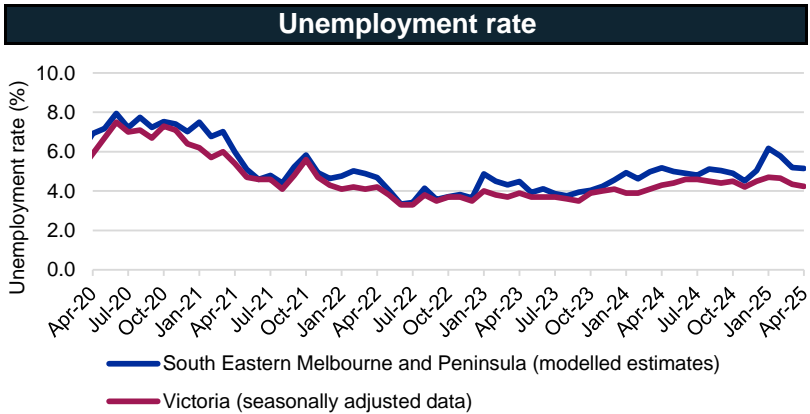
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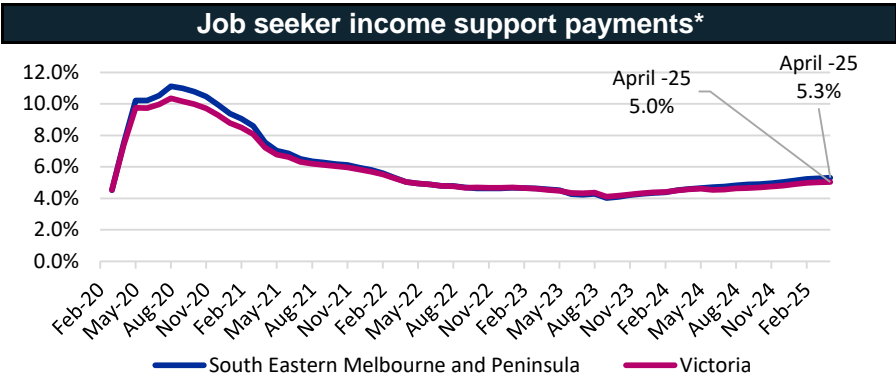
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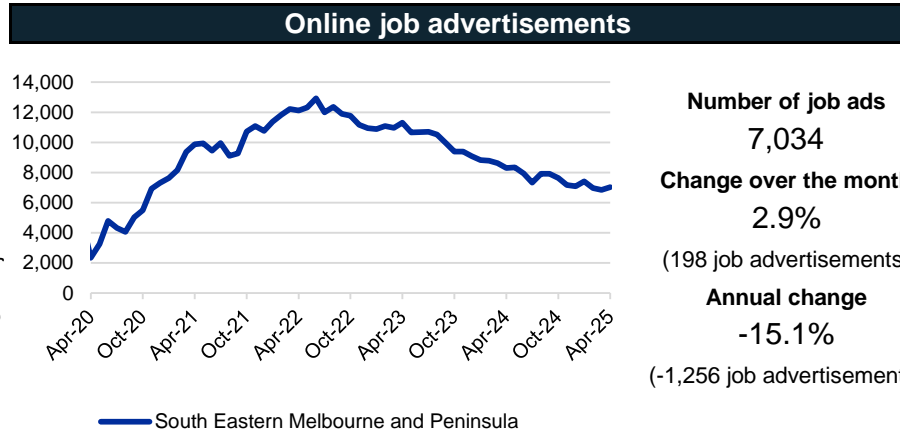
Change in job seeker income support payments		
	South Eastern Melbourne and Peninsula	Victoria
Payments - April 2024	36,715	205,520
Payments - April 2025	42,560	232,205
Change from April 2024 to April 2025	↑ 5,845	↑ 26,685
	↑ 15.9%	↑ 13.0%

% of 15-64 year olds** on job seeker income support payments		
	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
South Eastern Melbourne and Peninsula	42,560	5.3%
Victoria	232,205	5.0%
Australia	976,520	5.5%

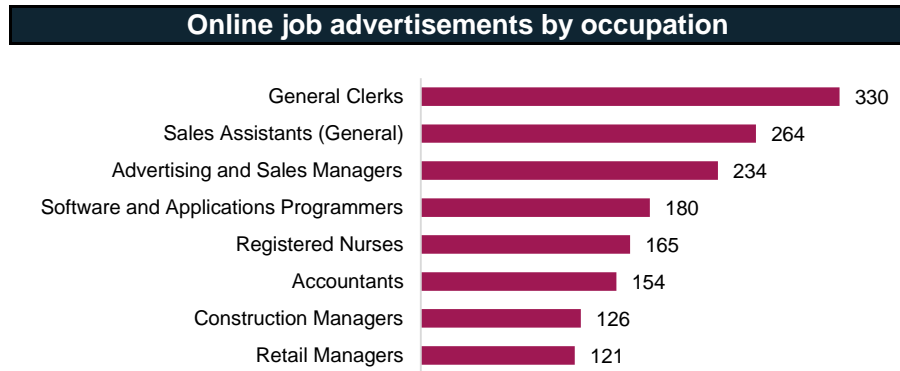
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Dec-24	Dec-23
Greater Dandenong	6.7	6.7
Frankston	5.6	3.2
Casey	4.9	4.7
Kingston (Vic.)	4.7	3.5
Mornington Peninsula	3.7	2.1

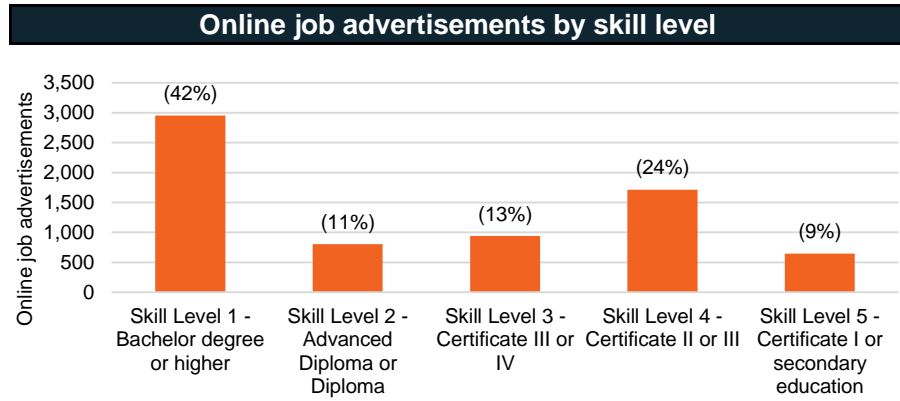
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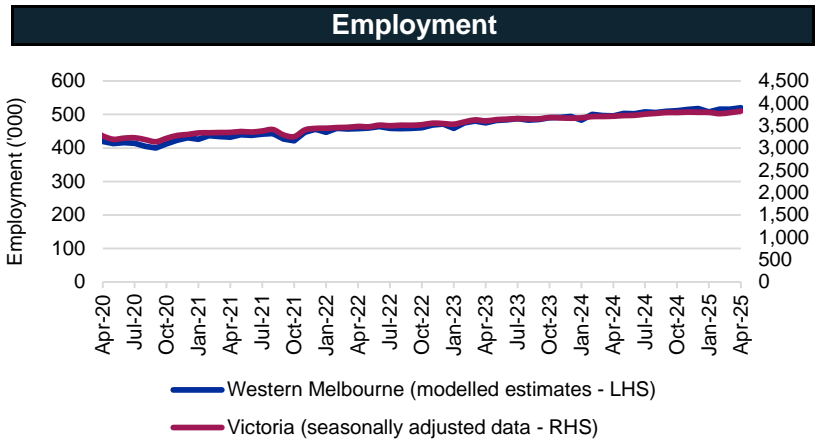
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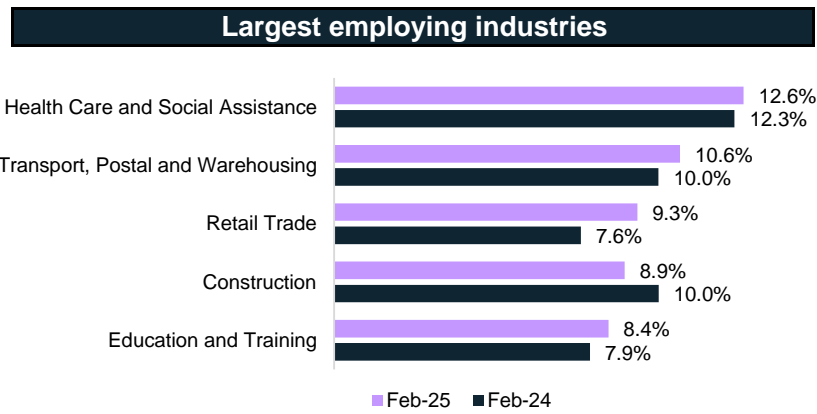
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Western Melbourne	520.0	496.1	4.8	31.3	30.9	1.2	5.7	5.9	71.4	70.5	14.5	11.1
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
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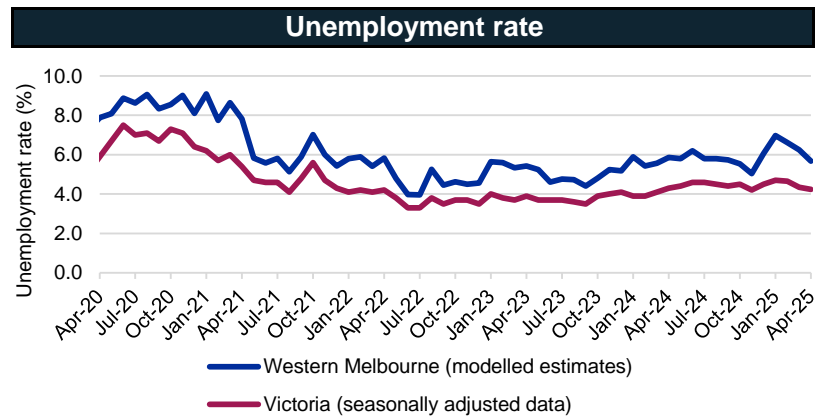
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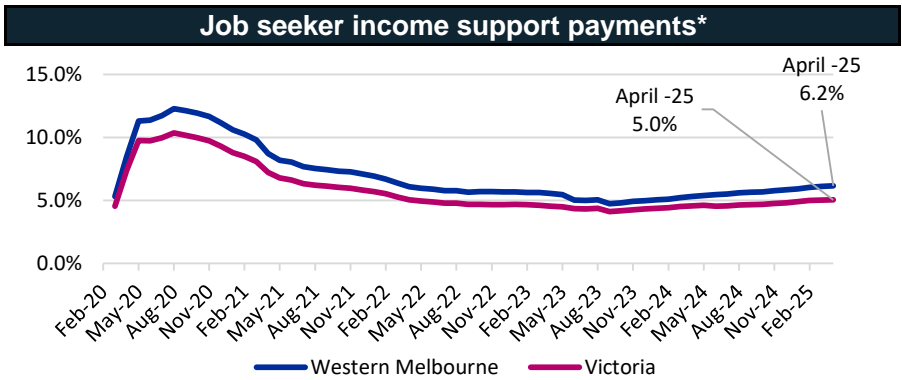
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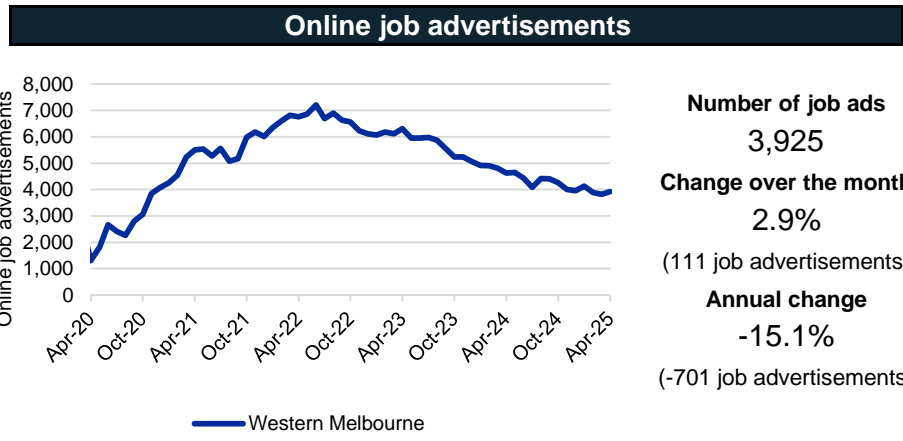
	Western Melbourne	Victoria
Payments - April 2024	33,070	205,520
Payments - April 2025	38,295	232,205
Change from April 2024 to April 2025	↑ 5,225	↑ 26,685
	↑ 15.8%	↑ 13.0%

% of 15-64 year olds** on job seeker income support payments		
	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
Western Melbourne	38,295	6.2%
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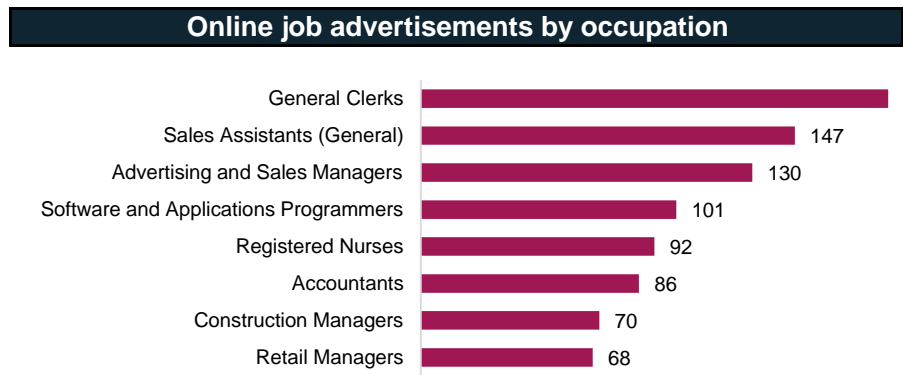
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Dec-24	Dec-23
Brimbank	5.9	6.7
Melton	5.2	5.4
Wyndham	4.4	4.6
Maribyrnong	3.9	4.4
Moorabool	3.3	3.5

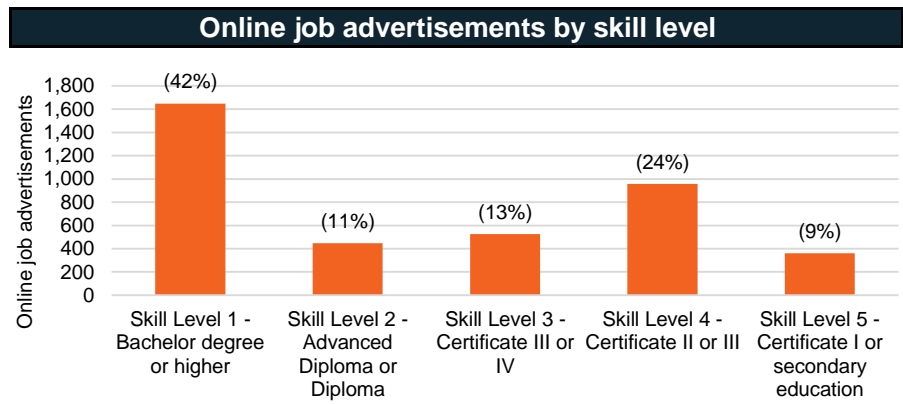
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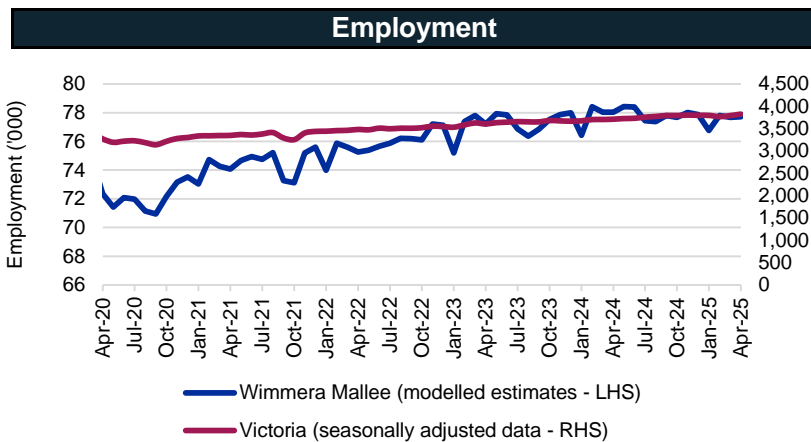
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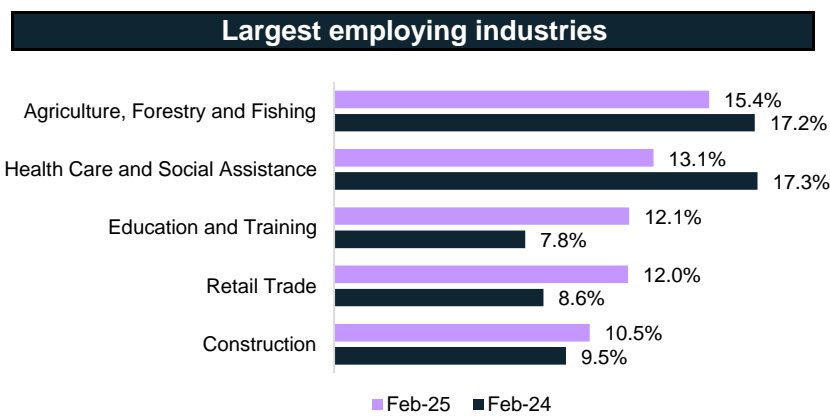
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Wimmera Mallee	77.7	78.0	-0.4	2.7	2.7	0.3	3.4	3.4	63.0	63.0	6.2	8.8
Victoria	3,824.3	3,707.8	3.1	169.0	167.3	1.0	4.2	4.3	68.0	67.5	10.6	9.5
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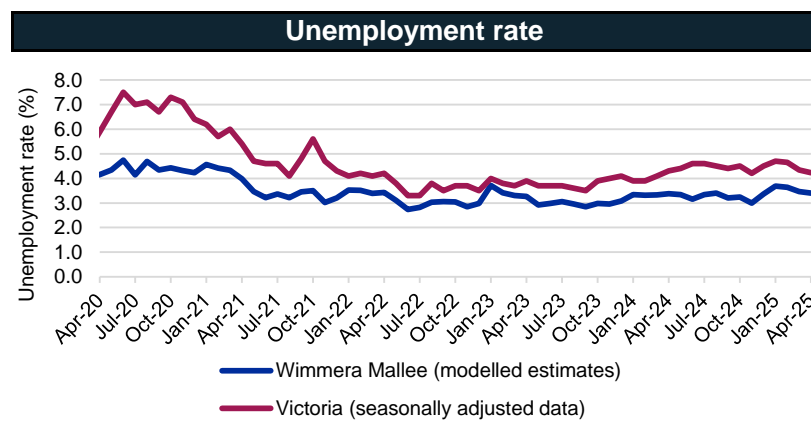
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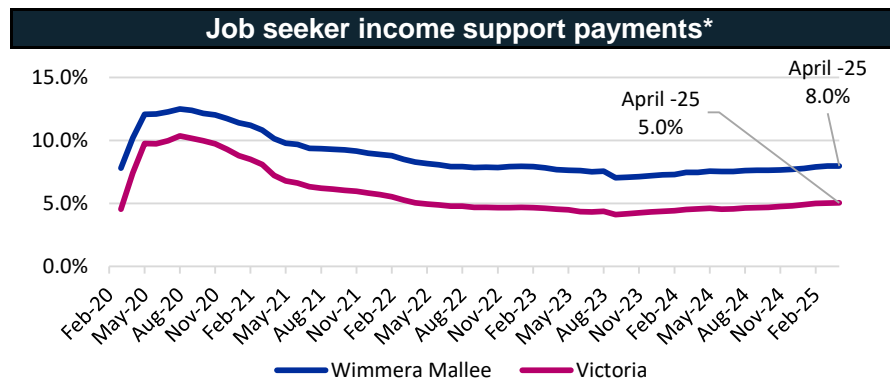
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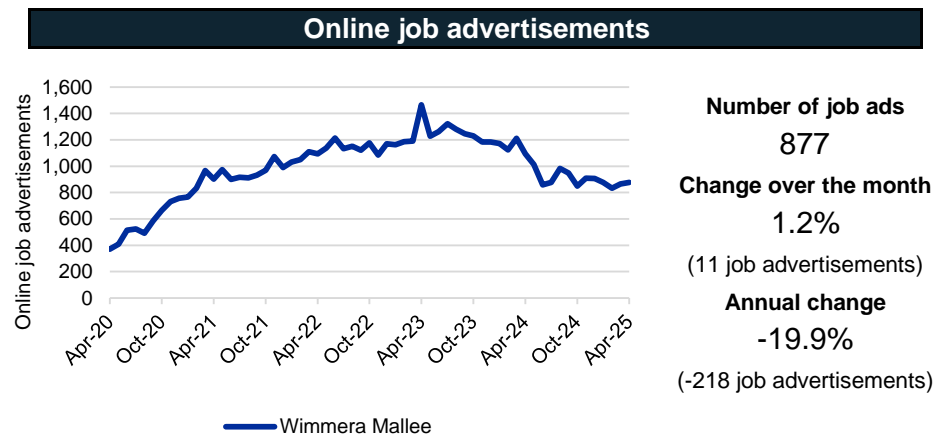
	Wimmera Mallee	Victoria
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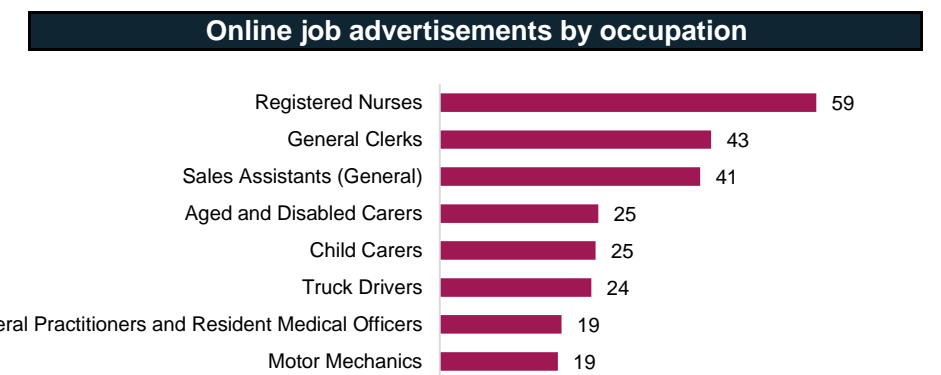
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Ararat	5.0	3.9
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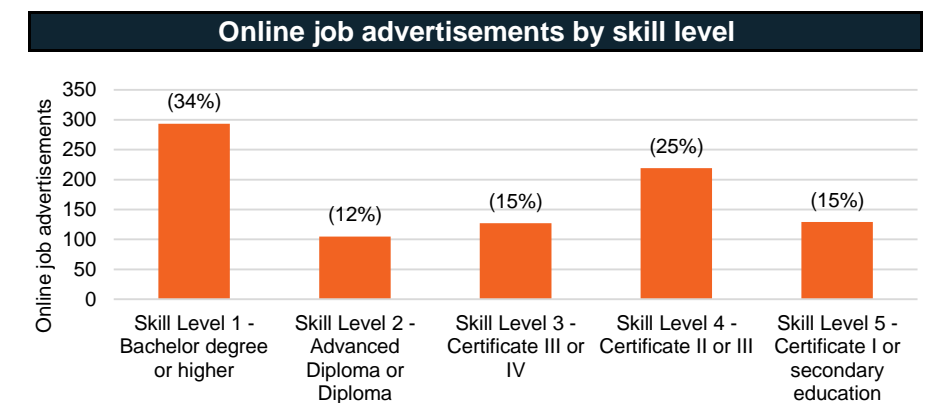
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