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## Labour Market Dashboard Victoria

Data current as at 21 August 2025

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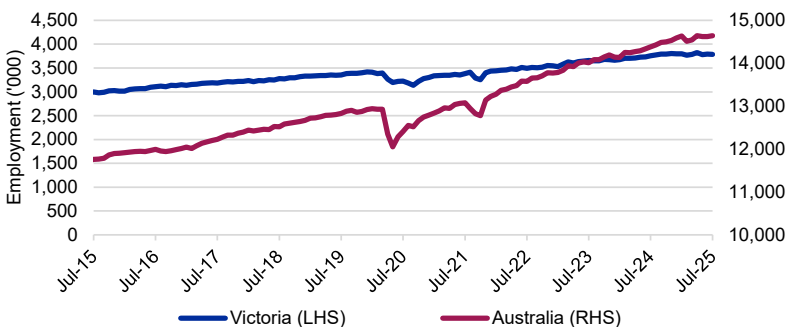
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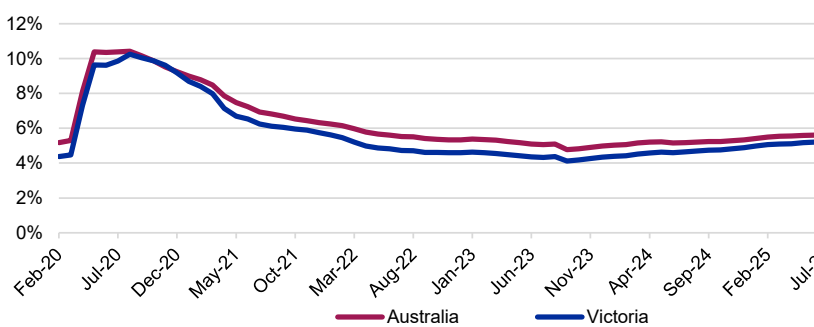
This Labour Market Dashboard provides a summary of the key indicators for the Victorian labour market. Dashboards for Australia and Employment Regions are also available.

Employment



Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted data, July-25

Job seeker income support payments\*

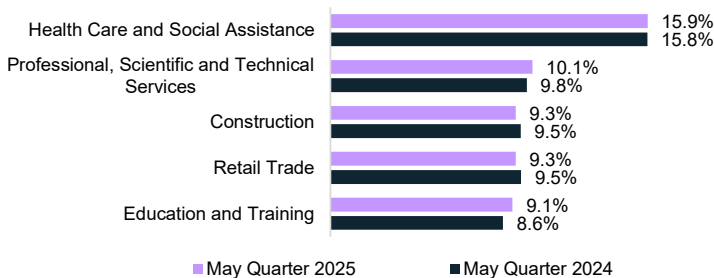


Online job advertisements



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, July-25

Largest employing industries

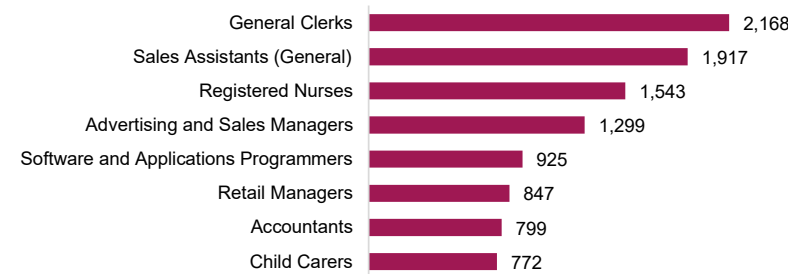


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Change in job seeker income support payments

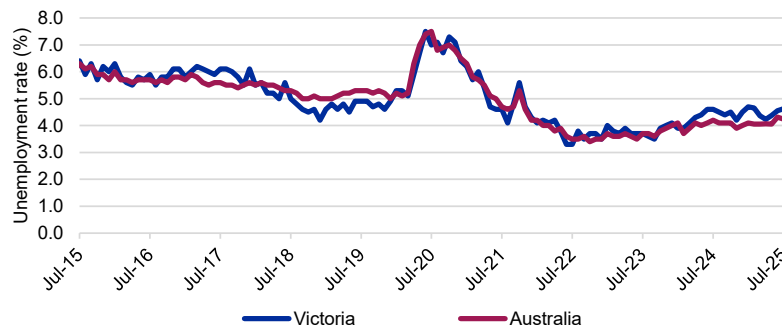
	Victoria	Australia
Payments - July 2024	210,600	909,850
Payments - July 2025	237,235	986,090
Change (July 2024 to July 2025)	↑ 26,635	↑ 76,240
Change % (July 2024 to July 2025)	↑ 12.6%	↑ 8.4%

Online job advertisements by occupation



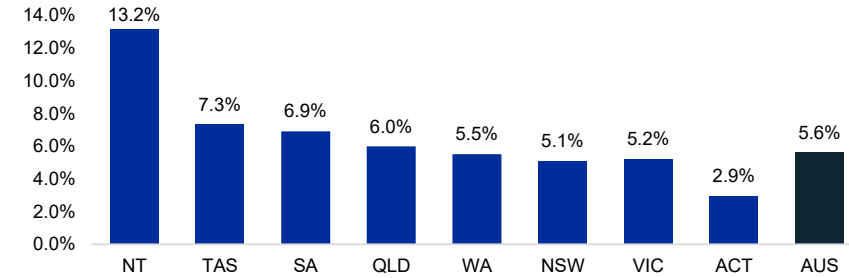
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Unemployment rate



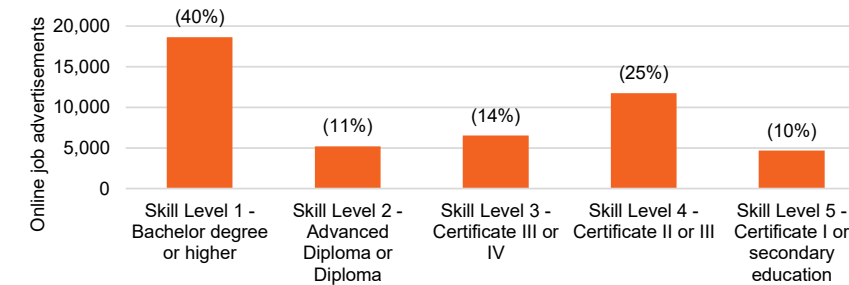
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% of 15-64 year olds\*\* on job seeker income support payments



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Online job advertisements by skill level



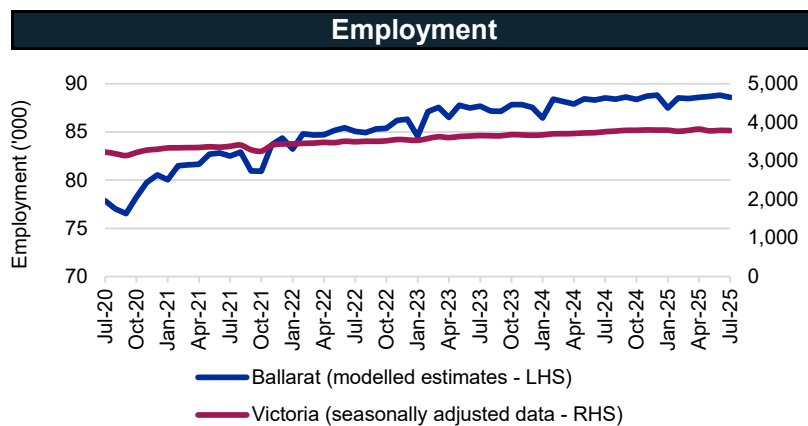
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This **Labour Market Dashboard** provides key indicators for the labour market by Employment Region and is updated monthly.

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	('000)	('000)	(%)	('000)	('000)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Ballarat	88.6	88.5	0.1	3.3	3.2	3.9	3.6	3.5	61.1	61.5	9.3	13.5
Victoria	3,786.1	3,731.8	1.5	183.4	178.1	2.9	4.6	4.6	67.7	68.1	10.6	10.0
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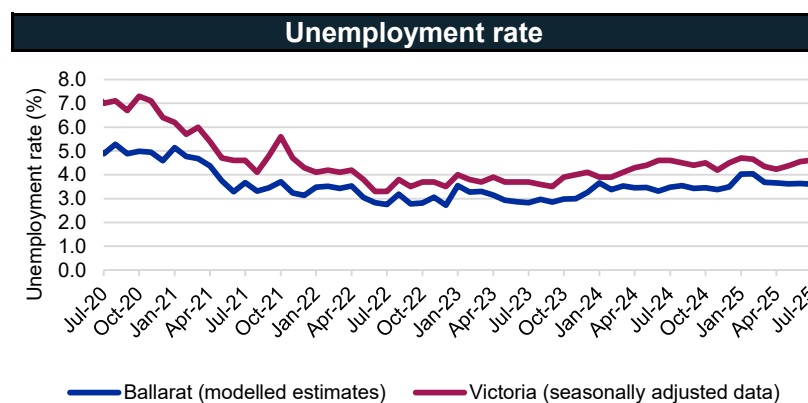
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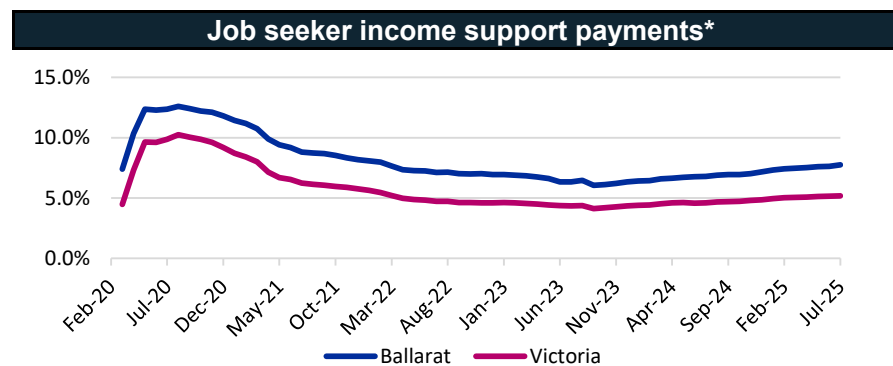
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### Change in job seeker income support payments

	Ballarat	Victoria
Payments - July 2024	7,450	210,600
Payments - July 2025	8,485	237,235
Change from July 2024 to July 2025	1,035	26,635
	13.9%	12.6%

### % 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	8,485	7.7%
Victoria	237,235	5.2%
Australia	986,090	5.6%

Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker and Youth Allowance (other) payment recipients, July-25; ABS, Estimated Resident Population, Jun-23

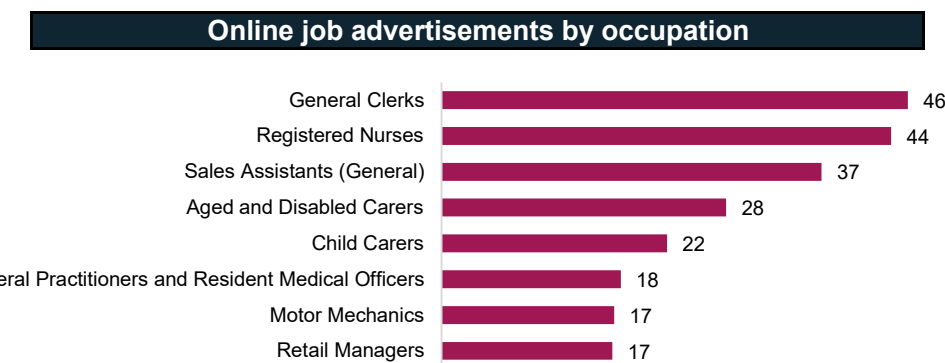
### LGA's with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24
Central Goldfields	6.5	9.5
Ararat	4.3	3.8
Pyrenees	3.8	5.4
Moorabool	3.5	3.4
Ballarat	3.4	4.7

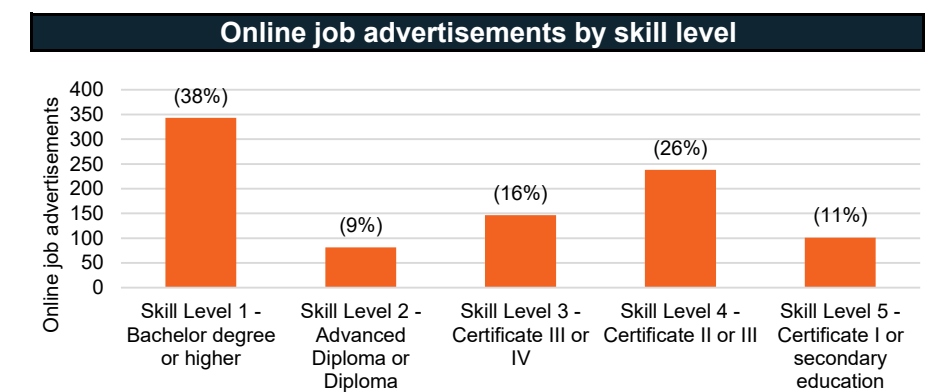
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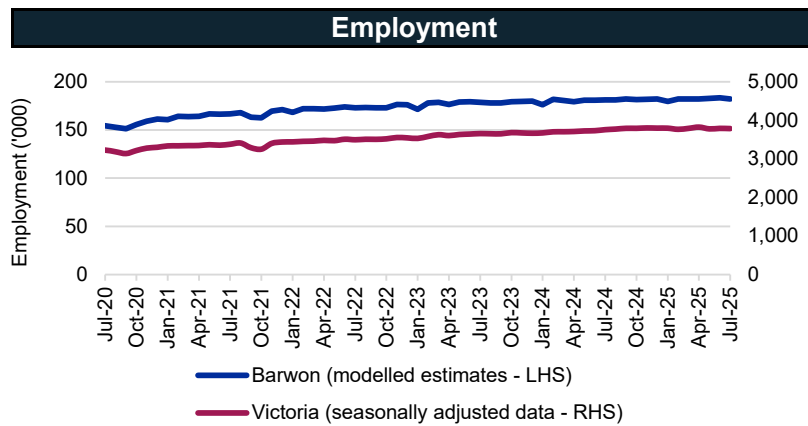
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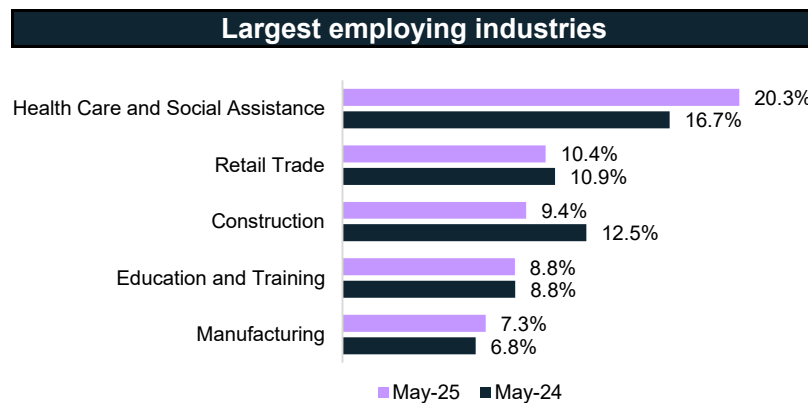
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Barwon	182.2	181.3	0.5	6.4	6.1	5.2	3.4	3.3	65.5	65.9	6.5	11.7
Victoria	3,786.1	3,731.8	1.5	183.4	178.1	2.9	4.6	4.6	67.7	68.1	10.6	10.0
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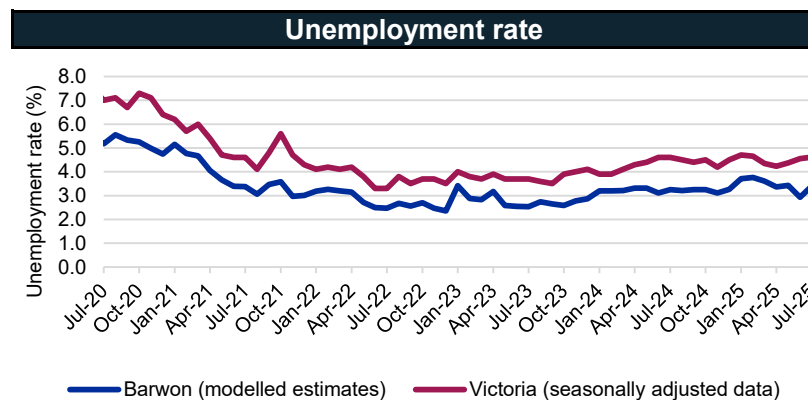
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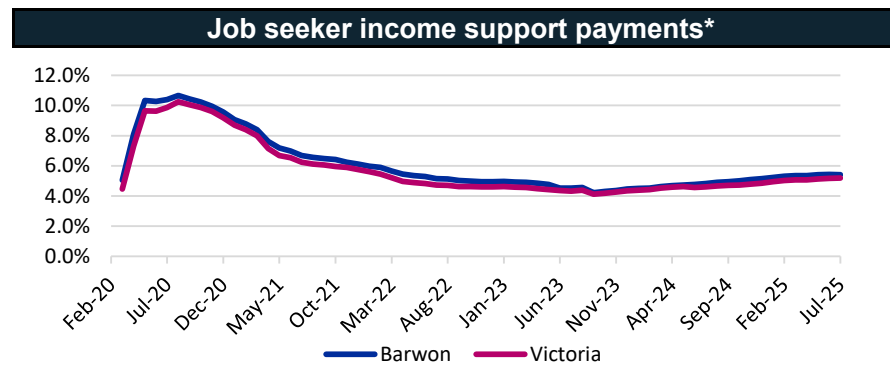
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### Change in job seeker income support payments

	Barwon	Victoria
Payments - July 2024	10,280	210,600
Payments - July 2025	11,525	237,235
Change from July 2024 to July 2025	1,245	26,635
	12.1%	12.6%

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

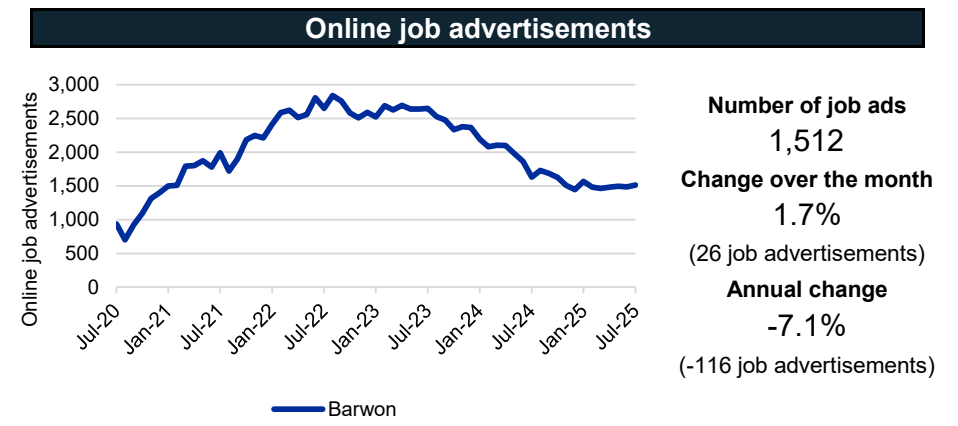
	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
Barwon	11,525	5.4%
Victoria	237,235	5.2%
Australia	986,090	5.6%

Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker and Youth Allowance (other) payment recipients, July-25; ABS, Estimated Resident Population, Jun-23

### LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24
Greater Geelong	4.9	4.0
Golden Plains	2.9	2.7
Surf Coast	1.7	1.4

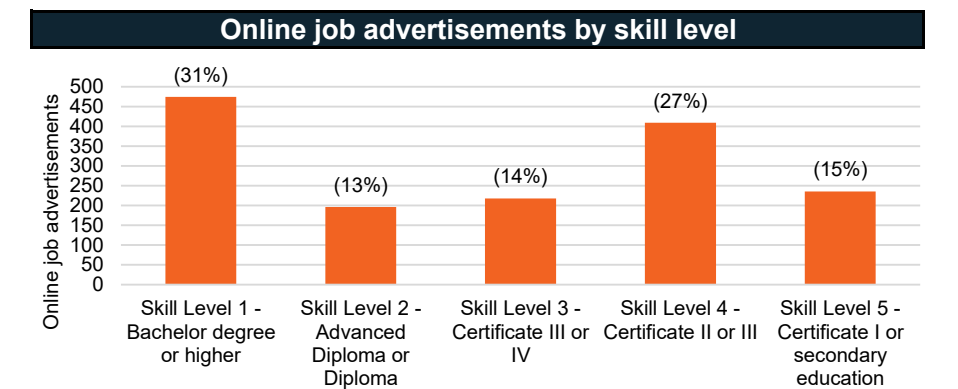
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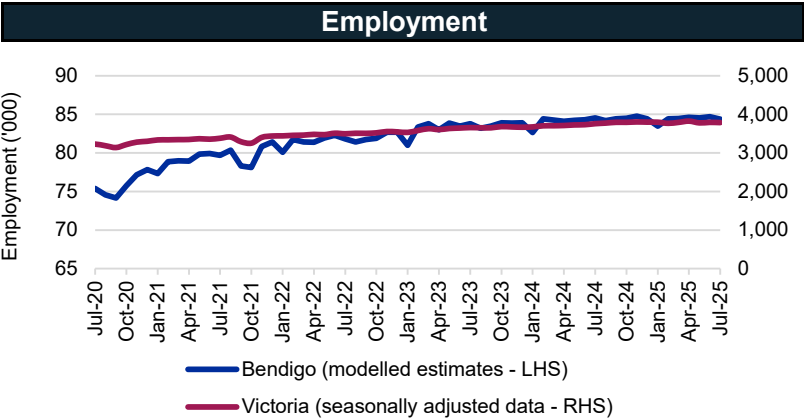
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Bendigo	84.4	84.5	-0.2	2.8	2.9	-0.2	3.3	3.3	61.6	61.9	10.3	6.5
Victoria	3,786.1	3,731.8	1.5	183.4	178.1	2.9	4.6	4.6	67.7	68.1	10.6	10.0
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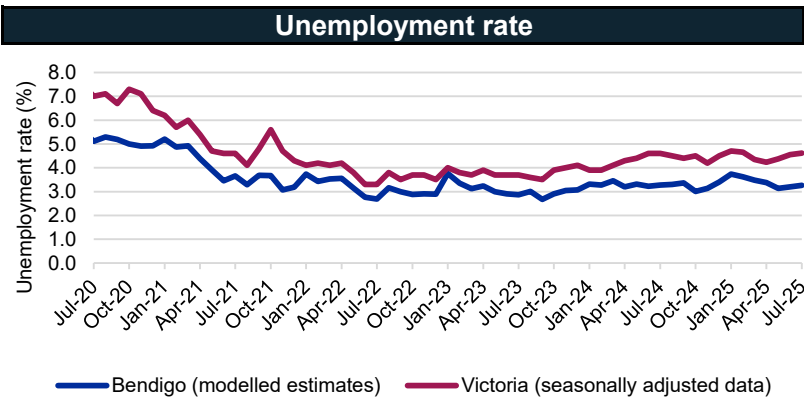
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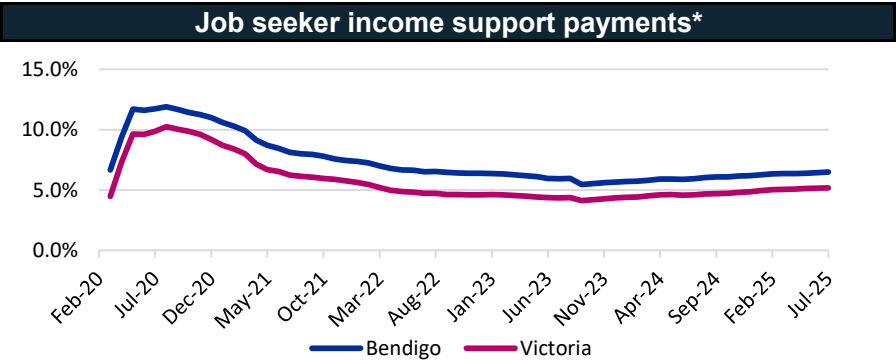
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	Bendigo	Victoria
Payments - July 2024	6,110	210,600
Payments - July 2025	6,660	237,235
Change from July 2024 to July 2025	↑ 550 ↑ 9.0%	↑ 26,635 ↑ 12.6%

% of 15-64 year olds**on job seeker income support payments		
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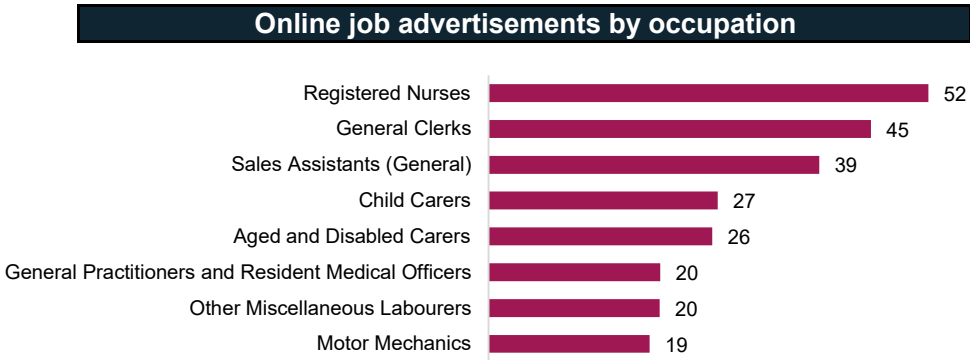
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24
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Greater Bendigo	4.3	3.0
Mount Alexander	3.3	2.3
Macedon Ranges	1.9	1.5

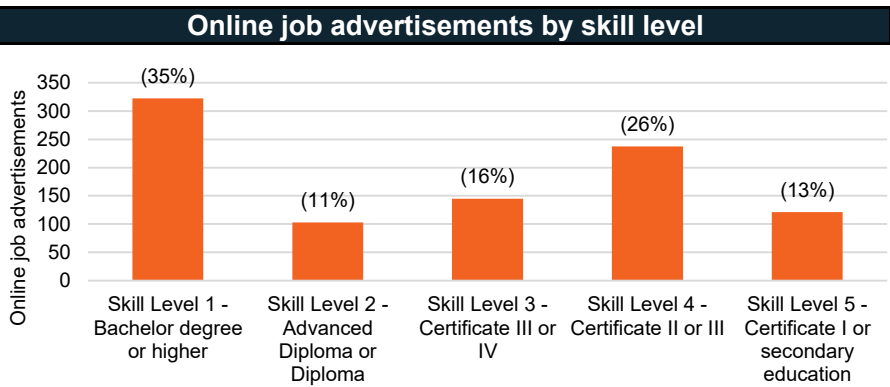
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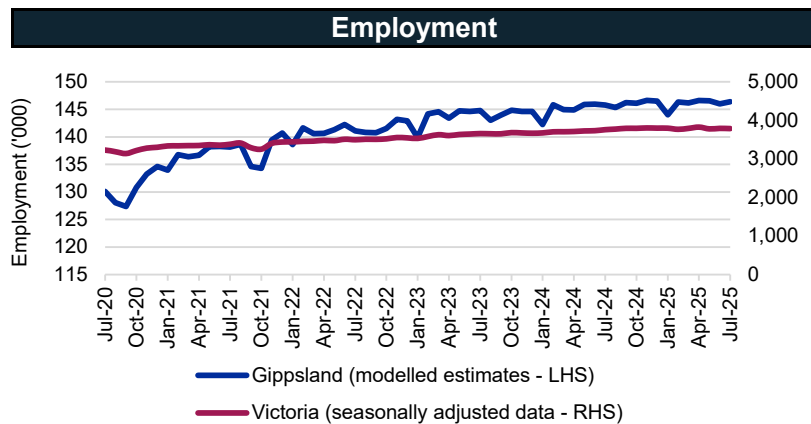
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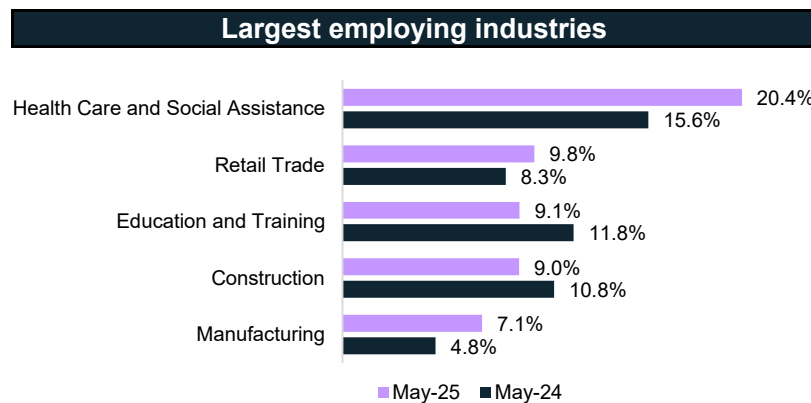
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Victoria	3,786.1	3,731.8	1.5	183.4	178.1	2.9	4.6	4.6	67.7	68.1	10.6	10.0
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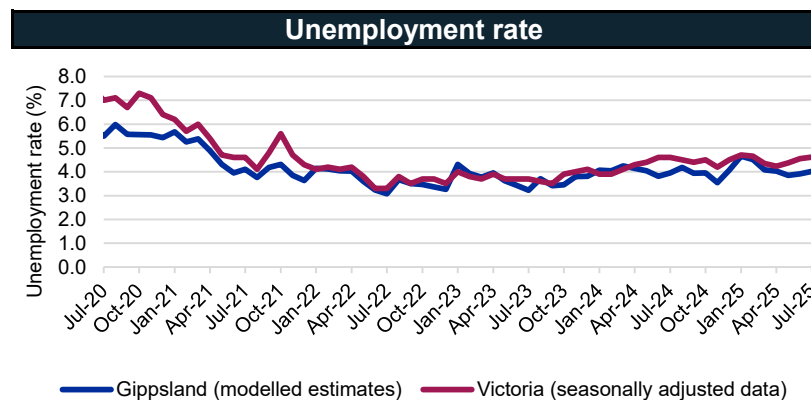
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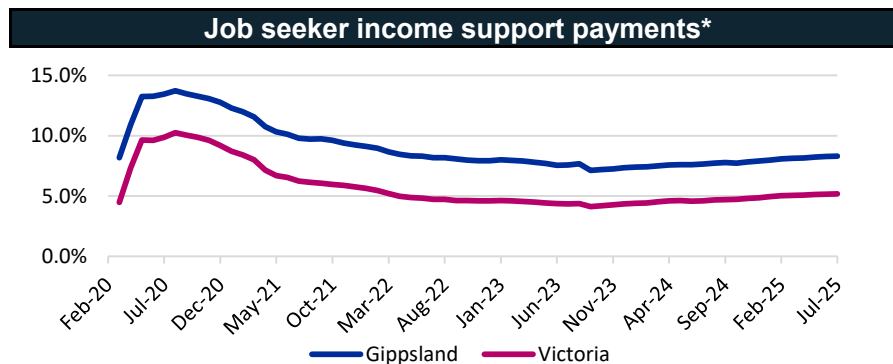
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### Change in job seeker income support payments

	Gippsland	Victoria
Payments - July 2024	13,635	210,600
Payments - July 2025	14,805	237,235
Change from July 2024 to July 2025	1,170	26,635
	8.6%	12.6%

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

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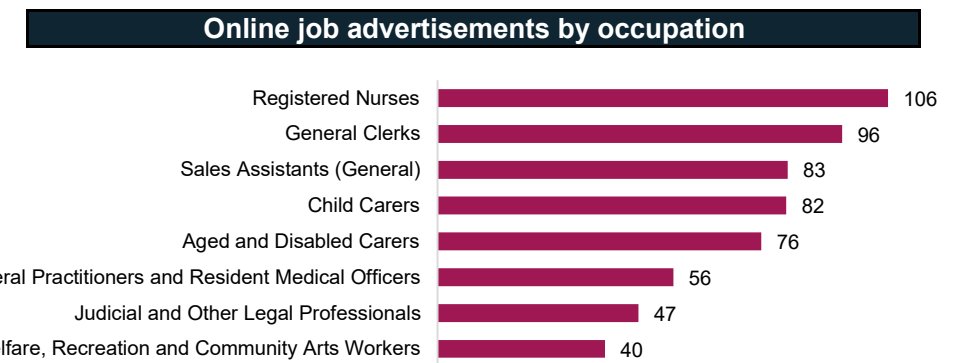
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Latrobe (Vic.)	7.3	5.2
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Wellington	4.7	3.4
Bass Coast	3.8	2.9
Baw Baw	3.1	2.2

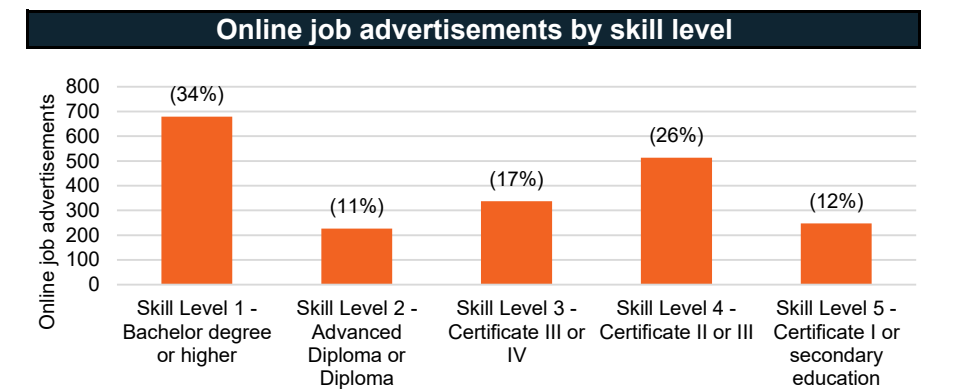
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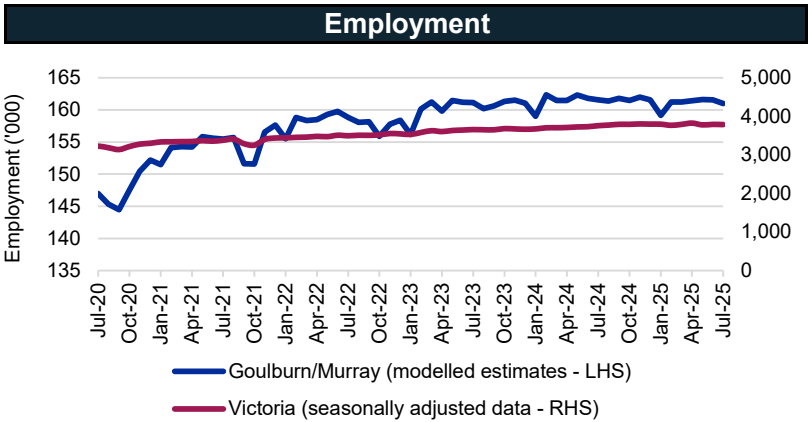
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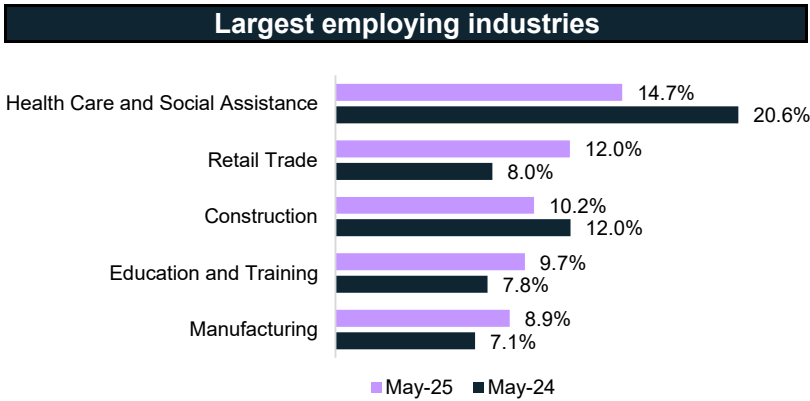
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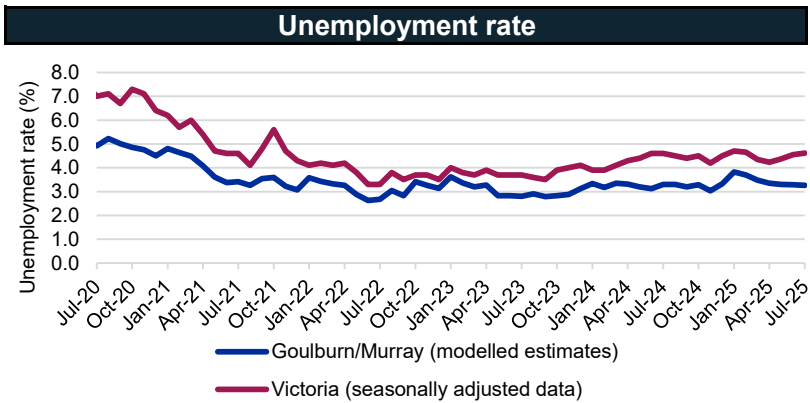
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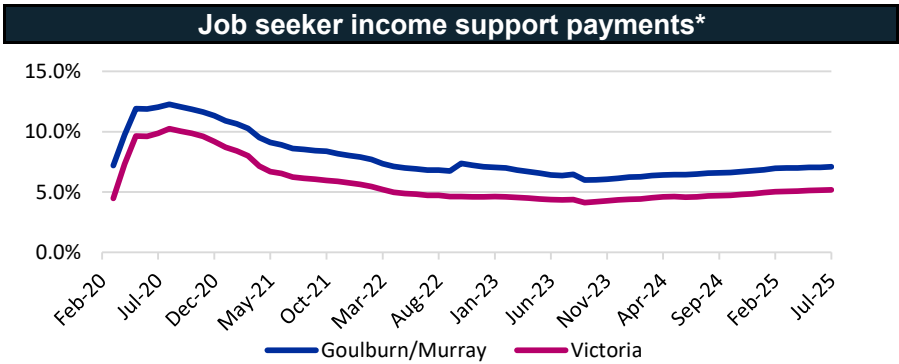
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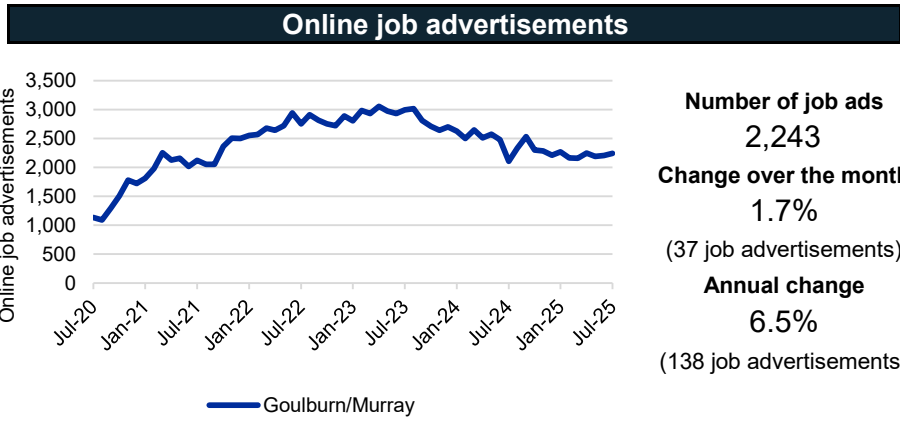
	Goulburn/Murray	Victoria
Payments - July 2024	14,700	210,600
Payments - July 2025	16,080	237,235
Change from July 2024 to July 2025	↑ 1,380 ↑ 9.4%	↑ 26,635 ↑ 12.6%

% 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	16,080	7.1%
Victoria	237,235	5.2%
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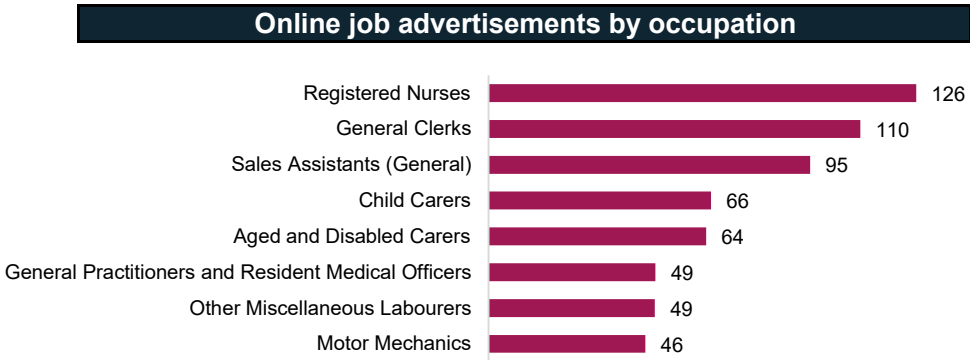
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24
Benalla	5.3	3.3
Wodonga	5.0	3.1
Mitchell	4.7	3.7
Wangaratta	4.5	2.7
Albury	4.3	4.9

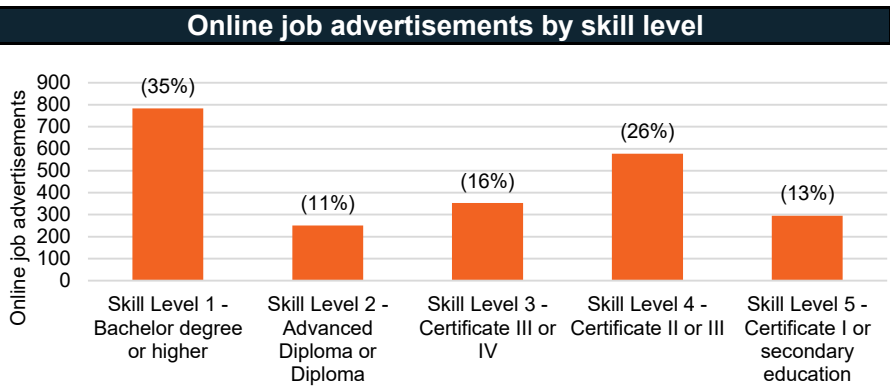
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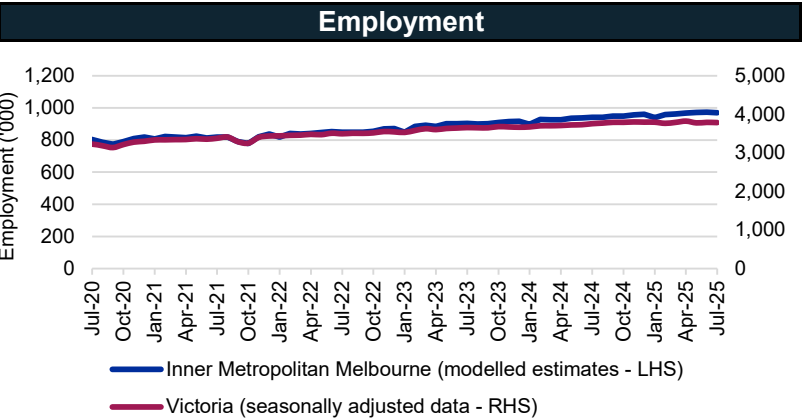
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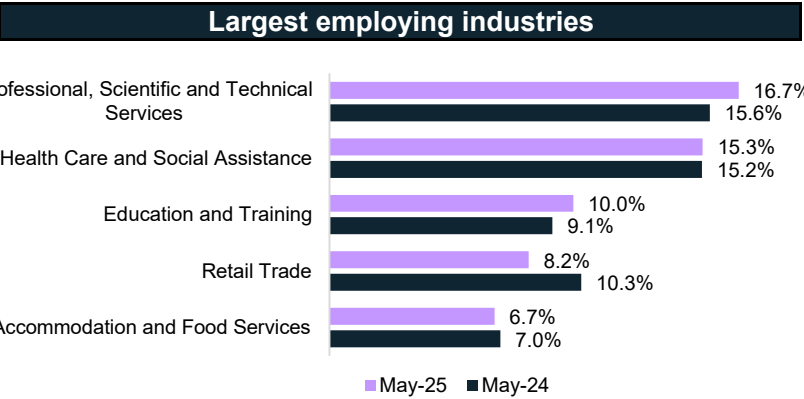
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	('000)	('000)	(%)	('000)	('000)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Inner Metropolitan Melbourne	970.7	941.9	3.1	40.7	39.1	4.2	4.0	4.0	71.5	71.9	11.0	9.5
Victoria	3,786.1	3,731.8	1.5	183.4	178.1	2.9	4.6	4.6	67.7	68.1	10.6	10.0
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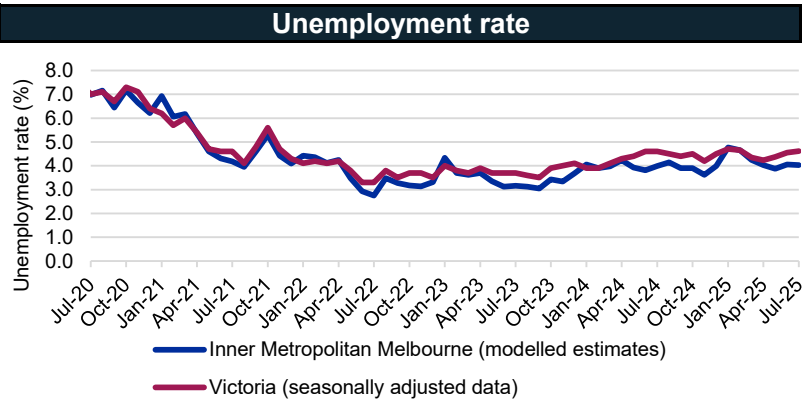
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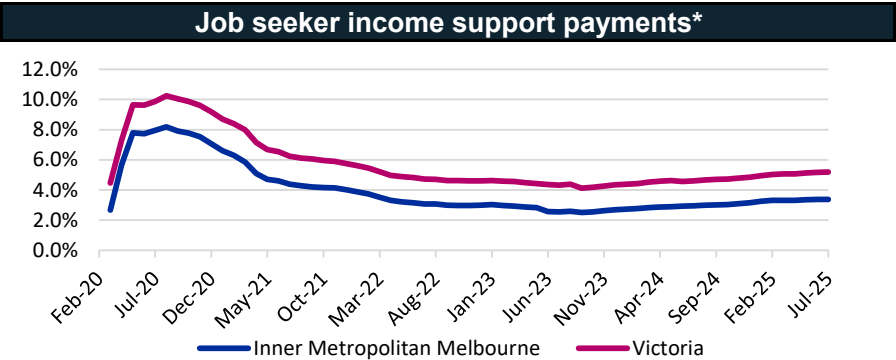
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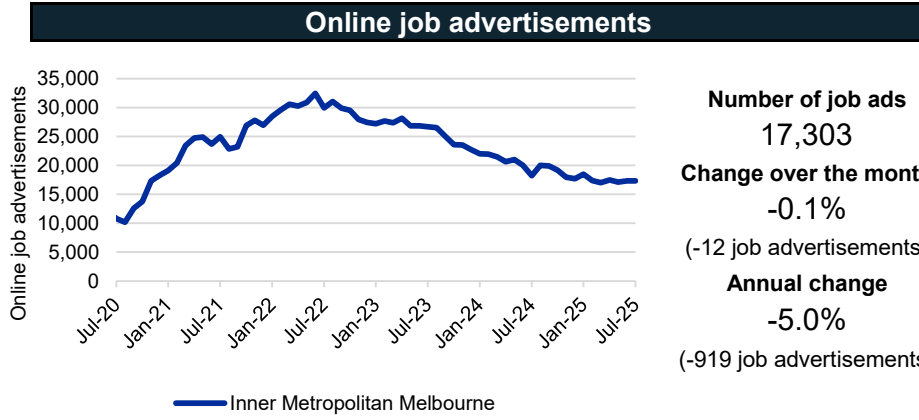
	Inner Metropolitan Melbourne	Victoria
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Change from July 2024 to July 2025	↑ 4,600 ↑ 14.4%	↑ 26,635 ↑ 12.6%

% 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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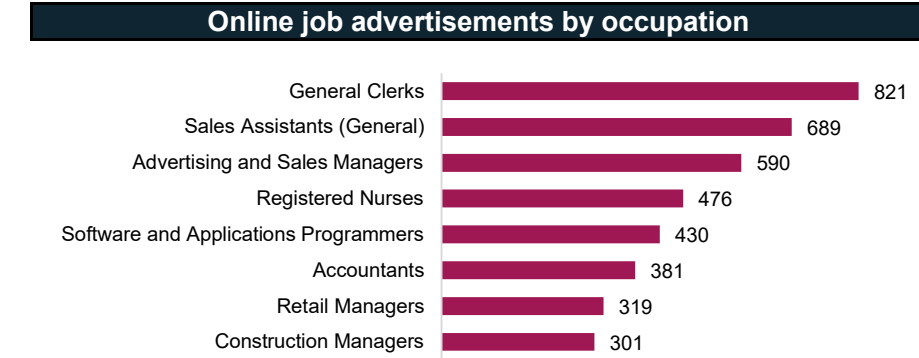
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24
Yarra	5.7	4.6
Merri-bek	5.3	4.7
Kingston (Vic.)	5.1	3.2
Darebin	4.8	4.9
Port Phillip	4.8	4.1

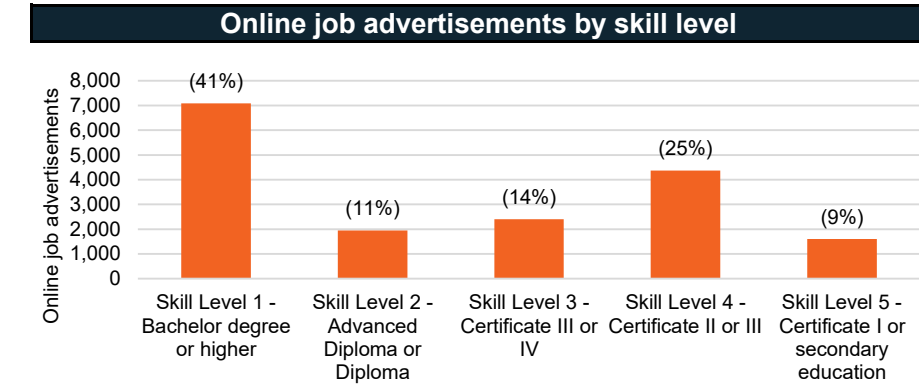
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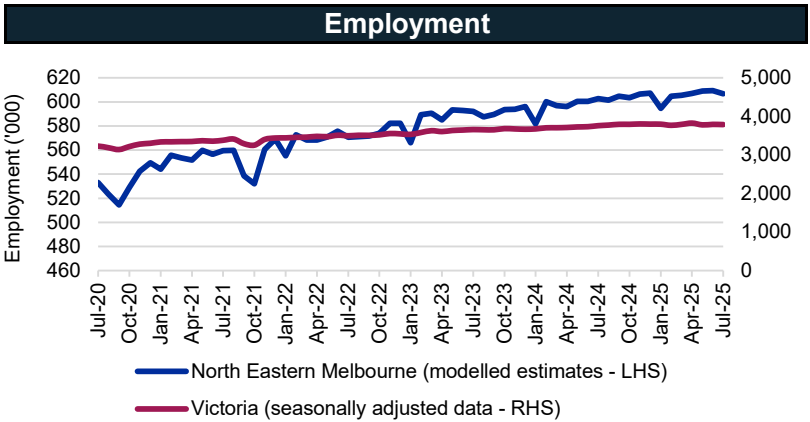
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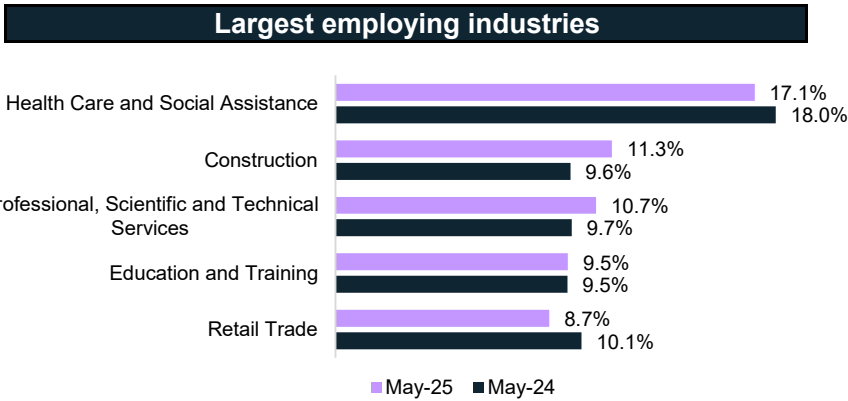
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North Eastern Melbourne	606.7	602.8	0.7	24.6	24.6	0.1	3.9	3.9	68.4	68.9	9.6	9.8
Victoria	3,786.1	3,731.8	1.5	183.4	178.1	2.9	4.6	4.6	67.7	68.1	10.6	10.0
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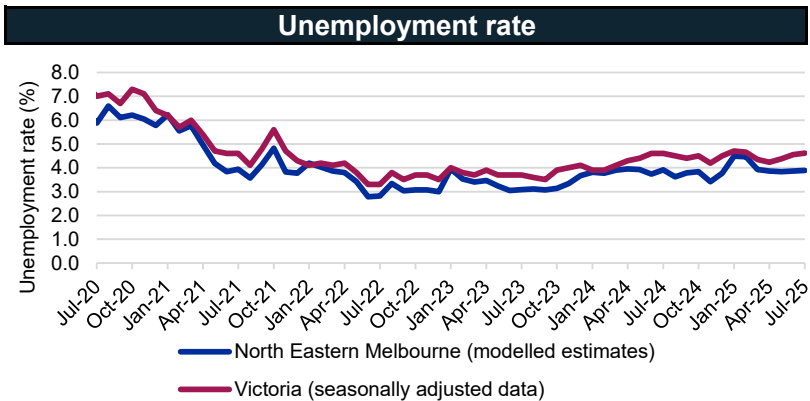
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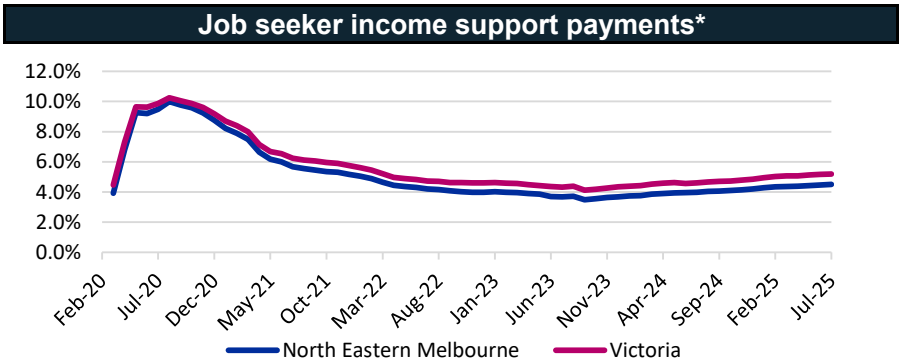
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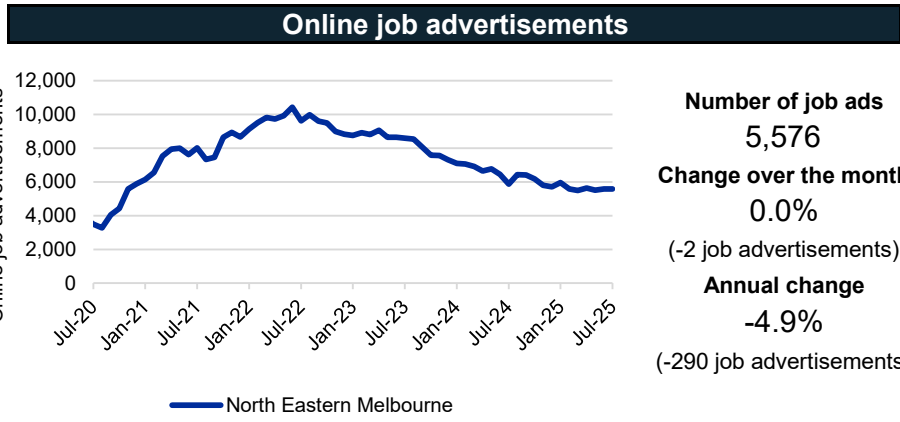
	North Eastern Melbourne	Victoria
Payments - July 2024	28,495	210,600
Payments - July 2025	32,170	237,235
Change from July 2024 to July 2025	↑ 3,675	↑ 26,635
	↑ 12.9%	↑ 12.6%

% 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	32,170	4.5%
Victoria	237,235	5.2%
Australia	986,090	5.6%

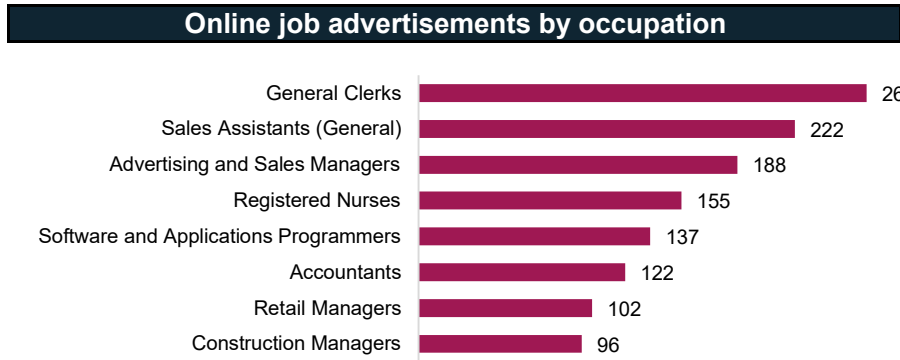
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24
Darebin	4.8	4.9
Mitchell	4.7	3.7
Whittlesea	4.3	4.8
Murrindindi	4.2	3.0
Knox	4.0	3.2

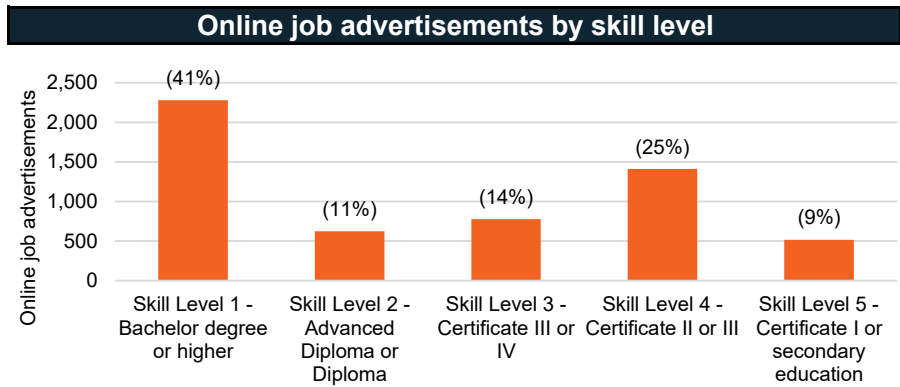
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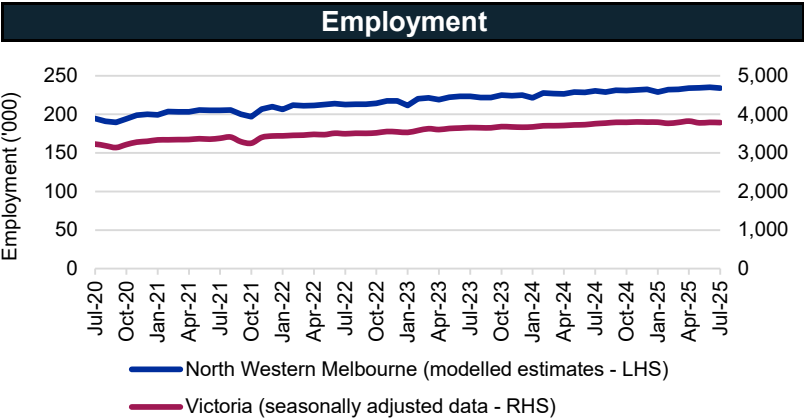
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North Western Melbourne	234.0	230.5	1.5	13.1	13.1	0.1	5.3	5.4	65.8	66.4	14.8	11.9
Victoria	3,786.1	3,731.8	1.5	183.4	178.1	2.9	4.6	4.6	67.7	68.1	10.6	10.0
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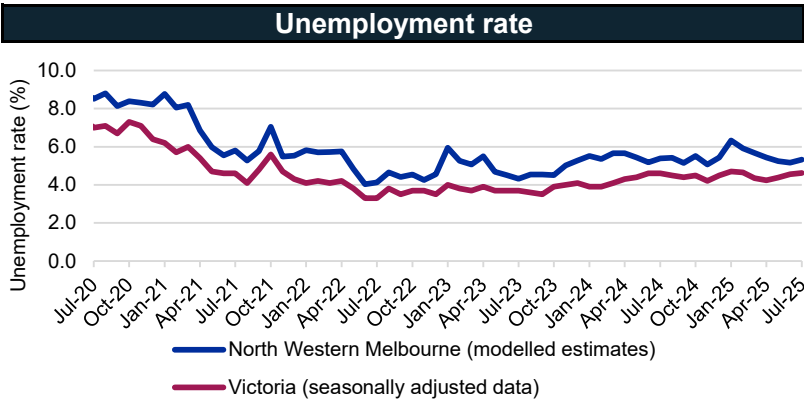
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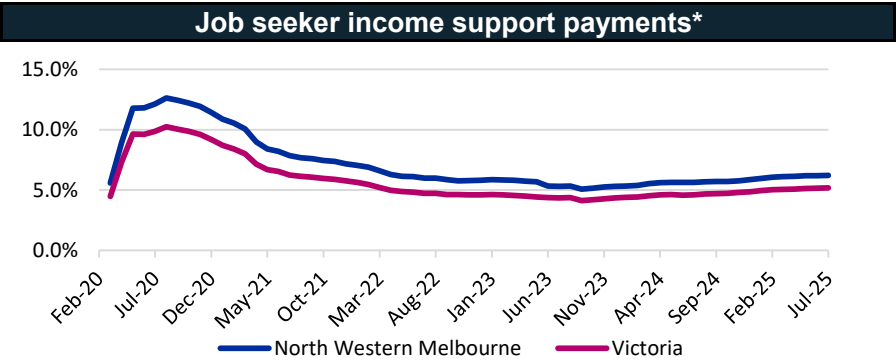
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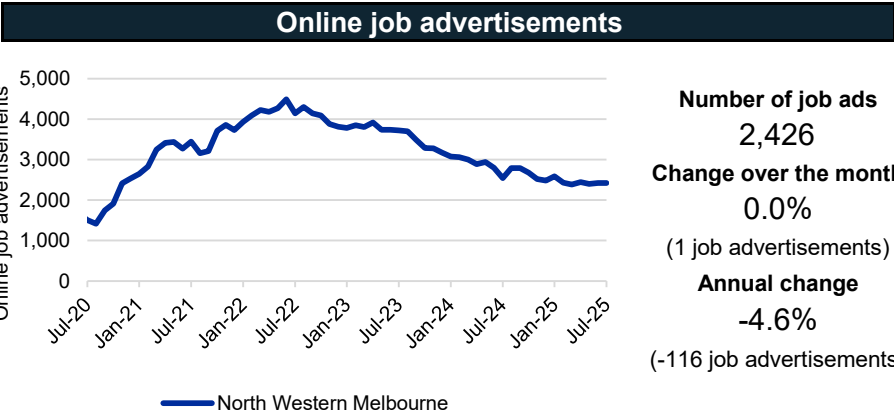
	North Western Melbourne	Victoria
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Change from July 2024 to July 2025	1,740	26,635
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% of 15-64 year olds**on job seeker income support payments		
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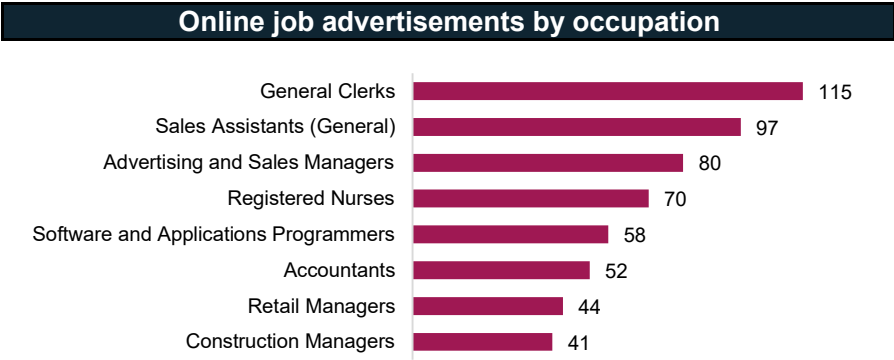
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Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24
Hume	8.0	7.1
Brimbank	6.6	6.3
Merri-bek	5.3	4.7
Moonee Valley	4.7	3.8
Macedon Ranges	1.9	1.5

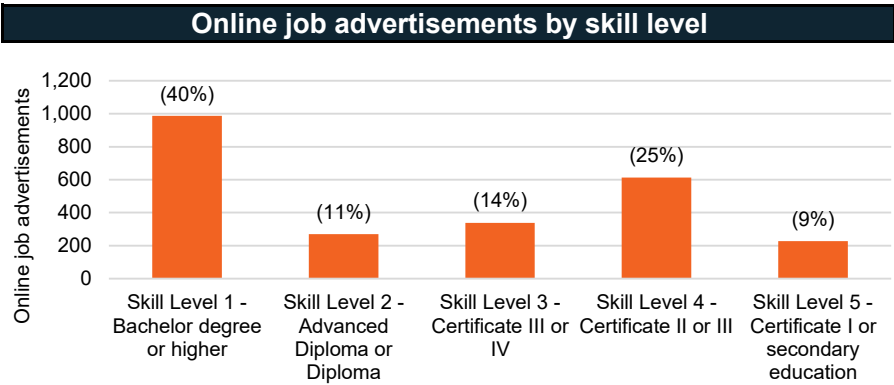
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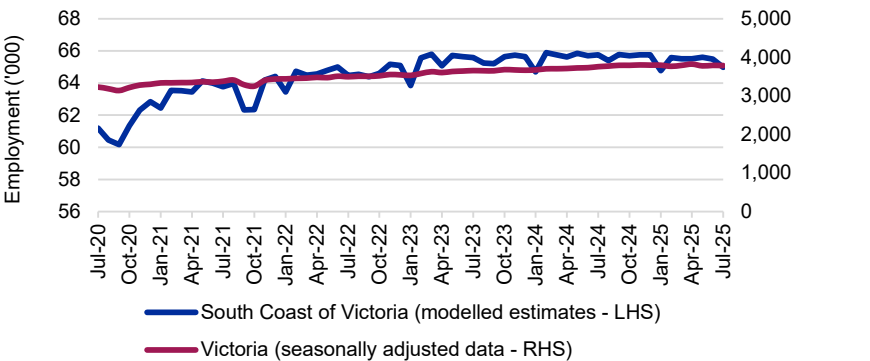
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South Coast of Victoria	65.0	65.8	-1.2	1.8	1.8	4.5	2.8	2.6	62.9	63.5	8.7	2.3
Victoria	3,786.1	3,731.8	1.5	183.4	178.1	2.9	4.6	4.6	67.7	68.1	10.6	10.0
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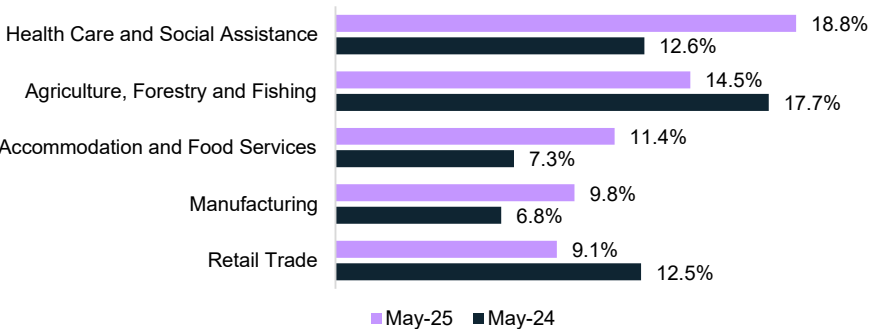
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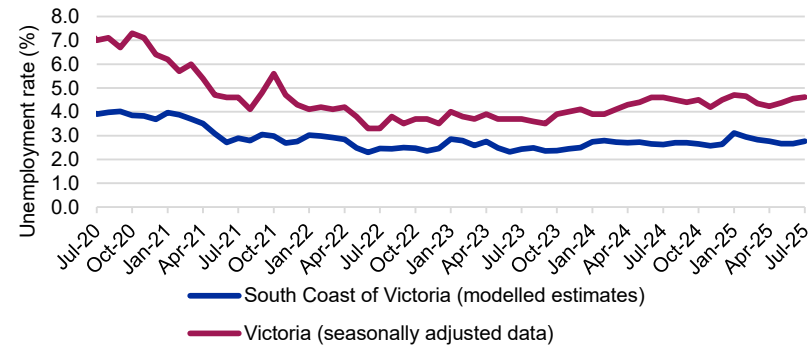
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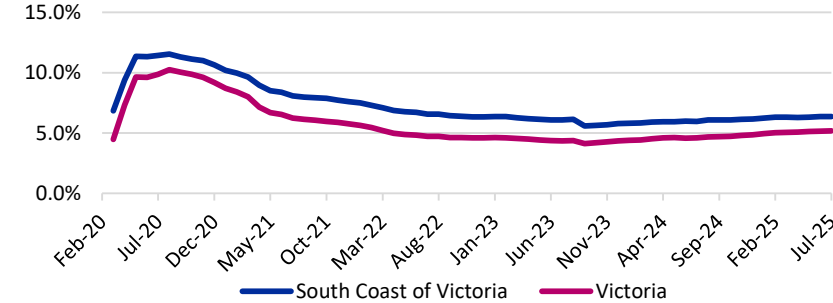
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#### Job seeker income support payments\*



#### Change in job seeker income support payments

	South Coast of Victoria	Victoria
Payments - July 2024	4,510	210,600
Payments - July 2025	4,815	237,235
Change from July 2024 to July 2025	305	26,635
	6.8%	12.6%

#### % 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 Coast of Victoria	4,815	6.4%
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#### LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24
Glenelg	3.0	2.8
Southern Grampians	2.4	2.1
Warrnambool	1.9	1.8
Colac Otway	1.9	1.7
Corangamite	1.7	1.5

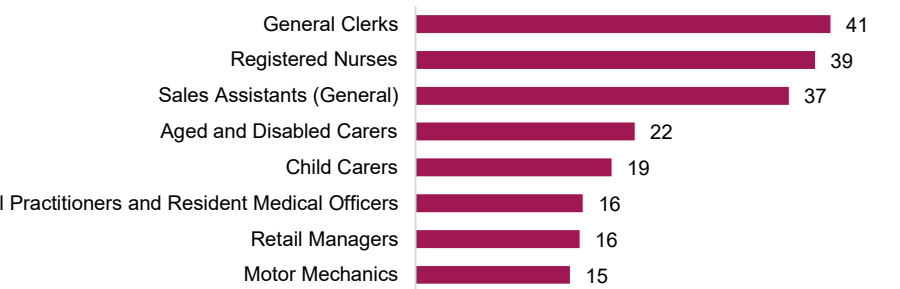
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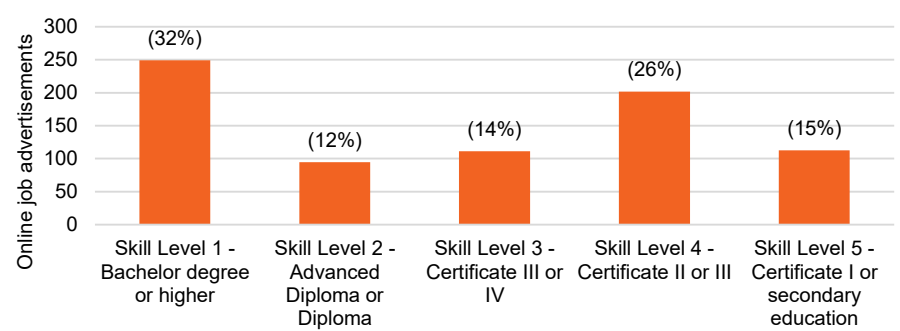
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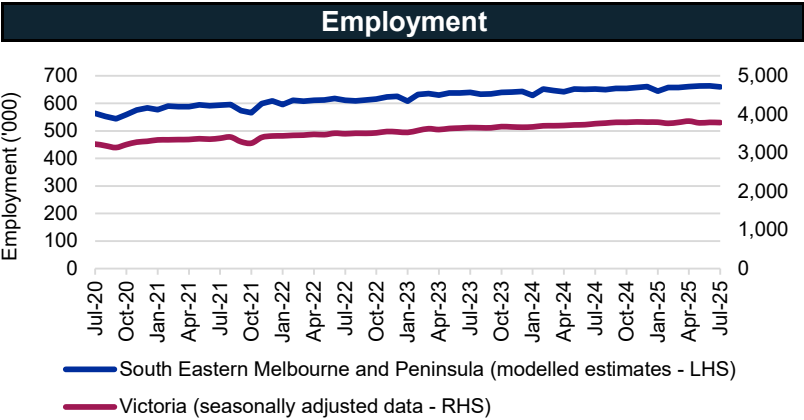
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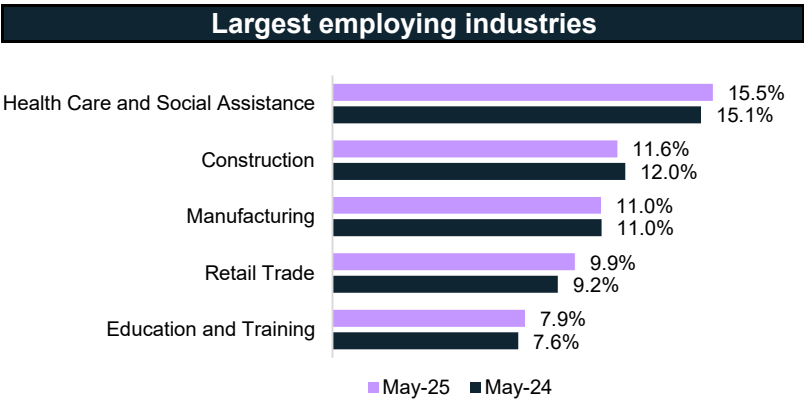
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South Eastern Melbourne and Peninsula	660.0	652.4	1.2	35.3	32.8	7.8	5.1	4.8	66.9	67.3	9.9	10.7
Victoria	3,786.1	3,731.8	1.5	183.4	178.1	2.9	4.6	4.6	67.7	68.1	10.6	10.0
Australia	14,641.4	14,377.7	1.8	649.0	629.3	3.1	4.2	4.2	67.0	67.1	9.8	9.7

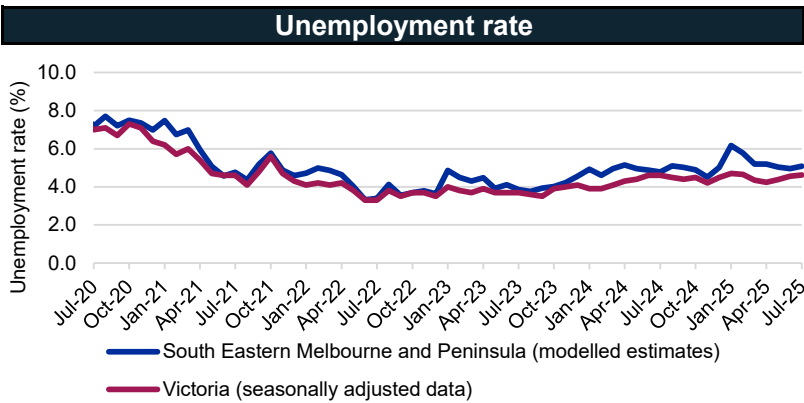
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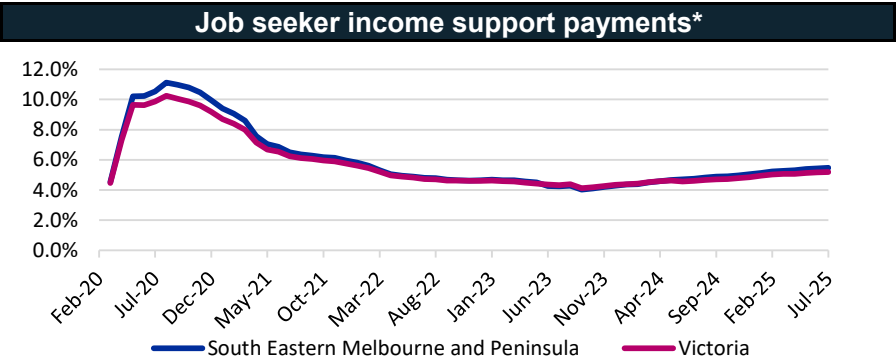
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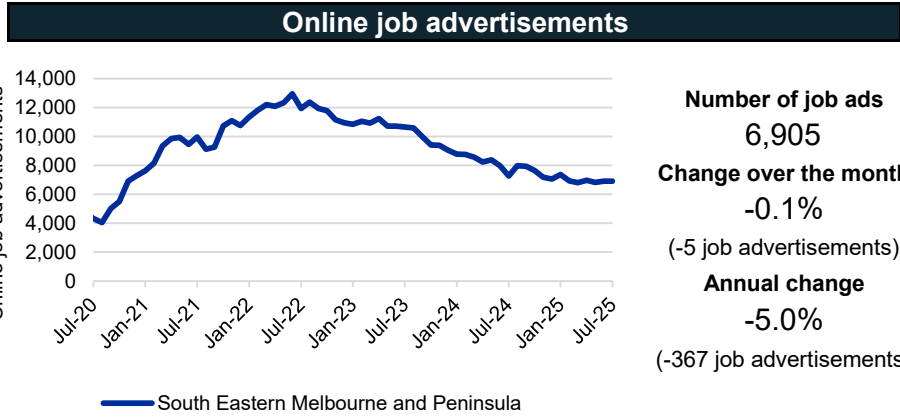
Change in job seeker income support payments		South Eastern Melbourne and Peninsula	Victoria
Payments - July 2024		37,955	210,600
Payments - July 2025		43,720	237,235
Change from July 2024 to July 2025	↑	5,765	26,635
	↑	15.2%	12.6%

% 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	43,720	5.5%
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Australia	986,090	5.6%

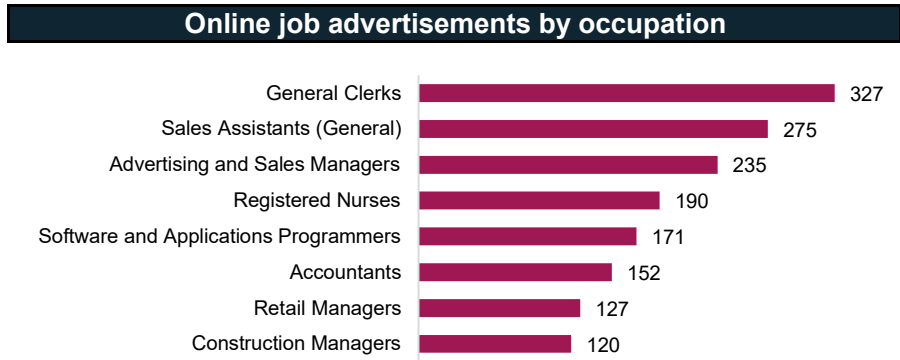
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24
Greater Dandenong	7.4	6.7
Casey	5.4	4.7
Frankston	5.4	3.4
Kingston (Vic.)	5.1	3.2
Cardinia	4.0	3.6

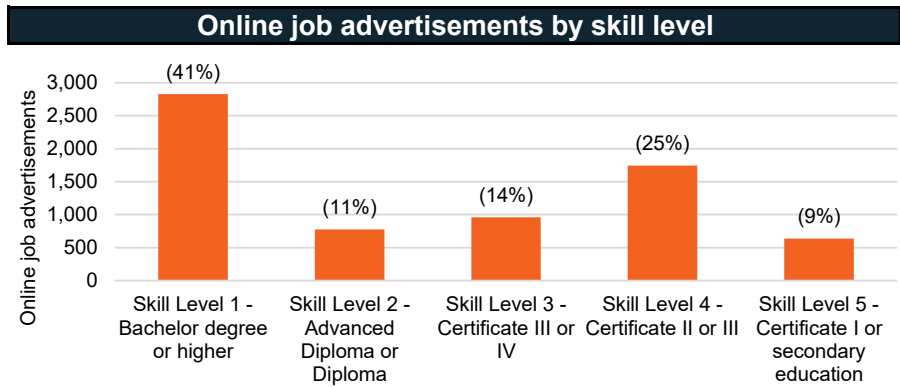
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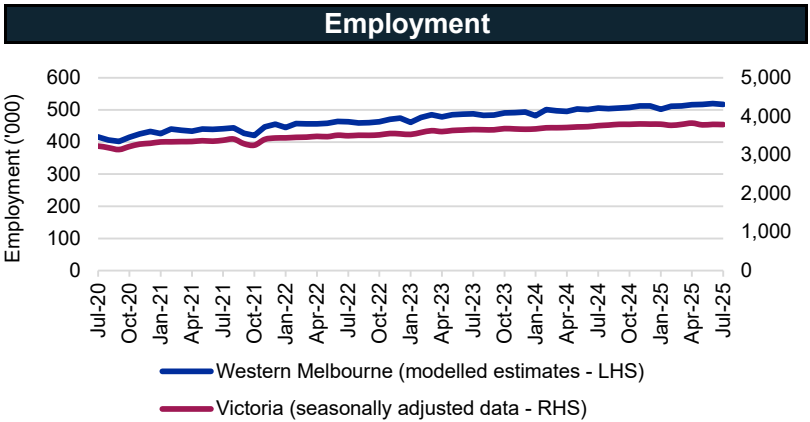
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Western Melbourne	517.4	505.4	2.4	31.3	30.9	1.2	5.7	5.8	71.1	71.6	13.8	11.8
Victoria	3,786.1	3,731.8	1.5	183.4	178.1	2.9	4.6	4.6	67.7	68.1	10.6	10.0
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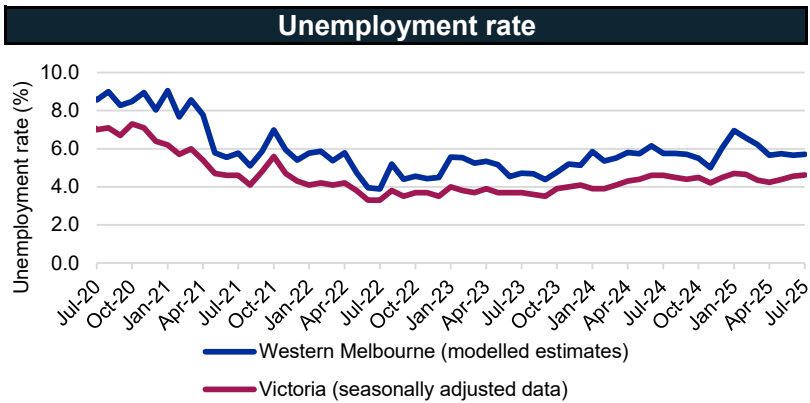
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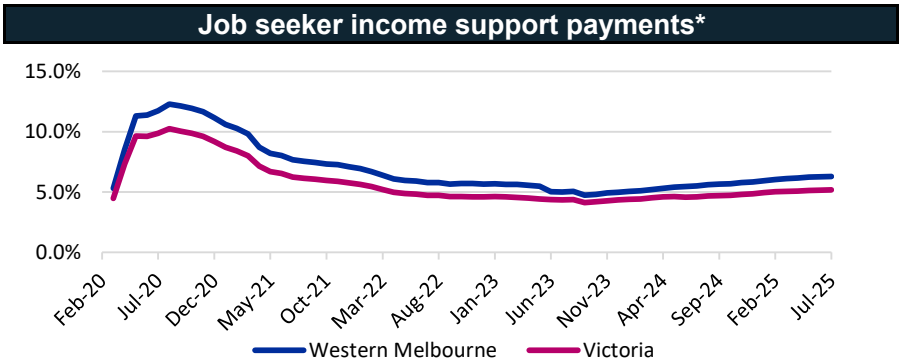
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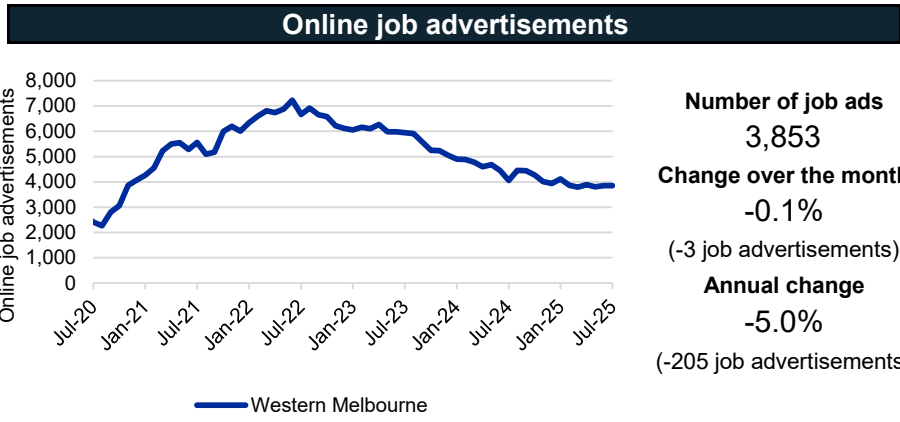
	Western Melbourne	Victoria
Payments - July 2024	34,270	210,600
Payments - July 2025	39,210	237,235
Change from July 2024 to July 2025	4,940	26,635
	14.4%	12.6%

% 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	39,210	6.3%
Victoria	237,235	5.2%
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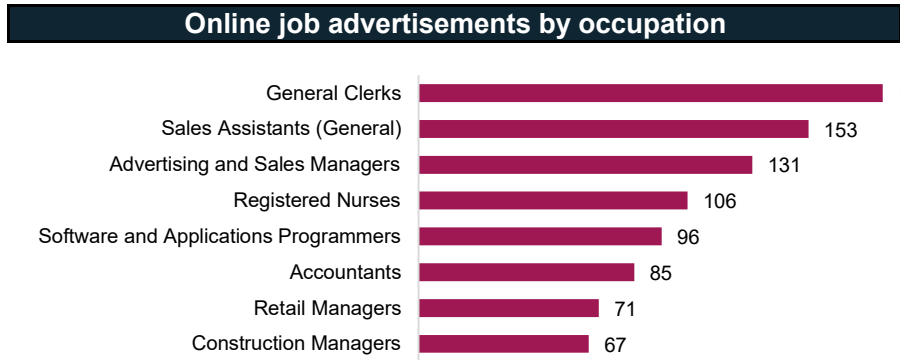
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24
Brimbank	6.6	6.3
Melton	5.9	5.2
Wyndham	4.9	4.5
Maribyrnong	4.3	4.1
Moorabool	3.5	3.4

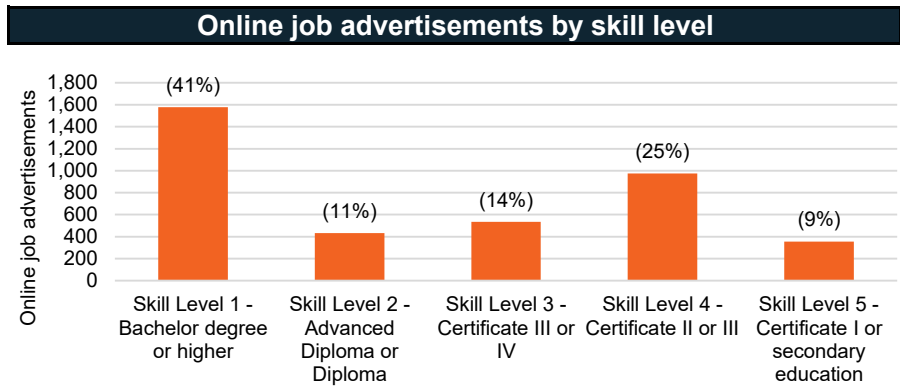
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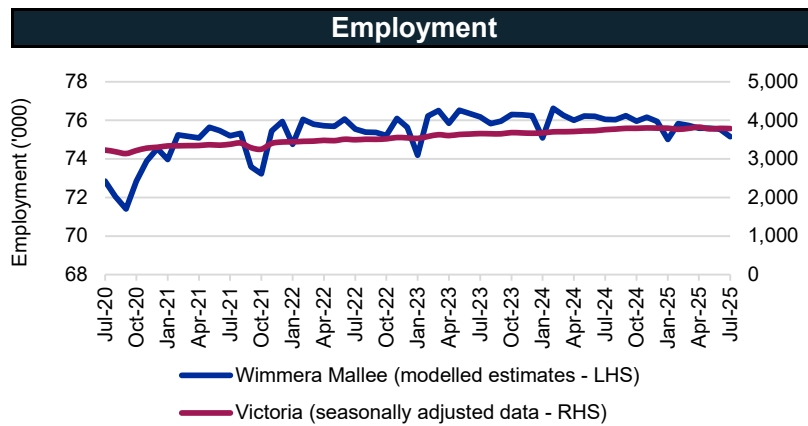
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Wimmera Mallee	75.2	76.0	-1.2	2.6	2.6	-2.3	3.3	3.3	61.4	61.8	8.1	4.7
Victoria	3,786.1	3,731.8	1.5	183.4	178.1	2.9	4.6	4.6	67.7	68.1	10.6	10.0
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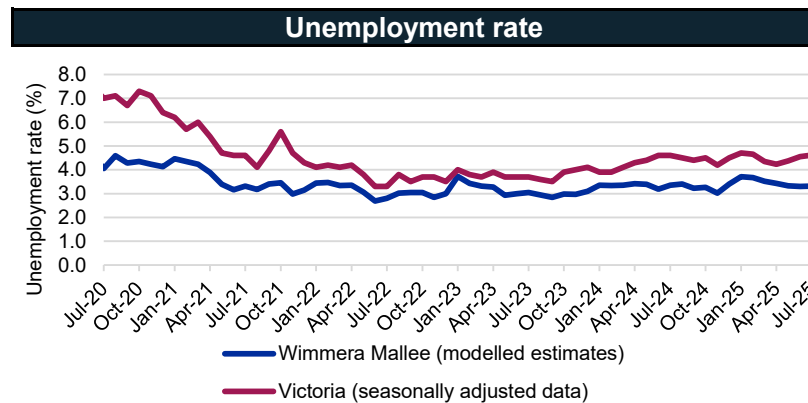
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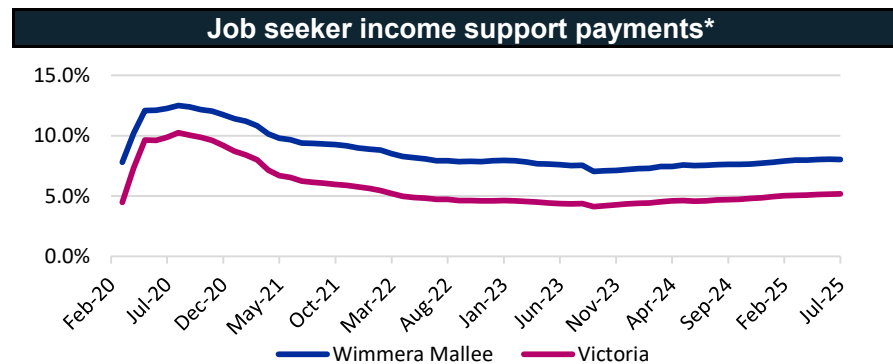
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### Change in job seeker income support payments

	Wimmera Mallee	Victoria
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### % of 15-64 year olds\*\* on job seeker income support payments

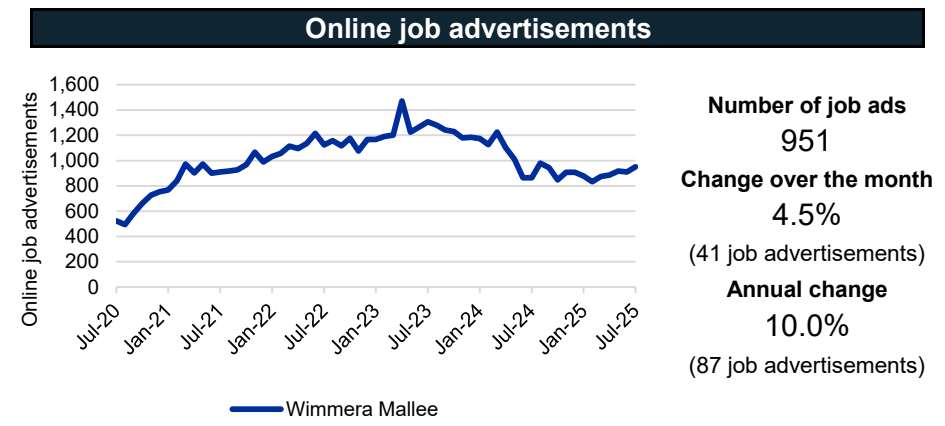
	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
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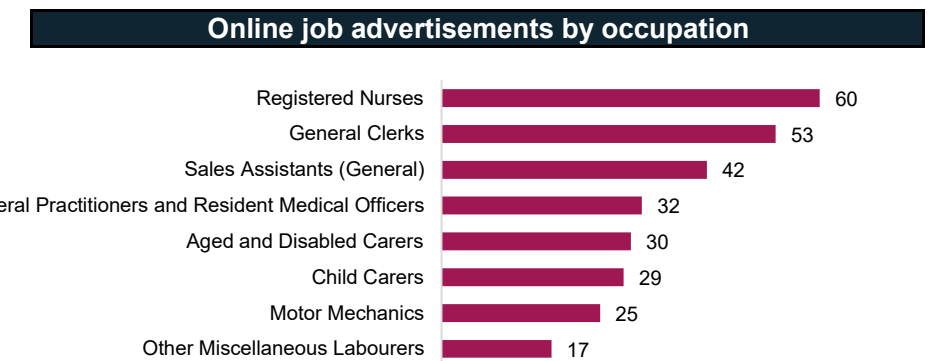
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Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24
Wentworth	4.4	5.3
Ararat	4.3	3.8
Mildura	4.1	3.5
Northern Grampians	4.1	3.3
Yarriambiack	4.0	3.5

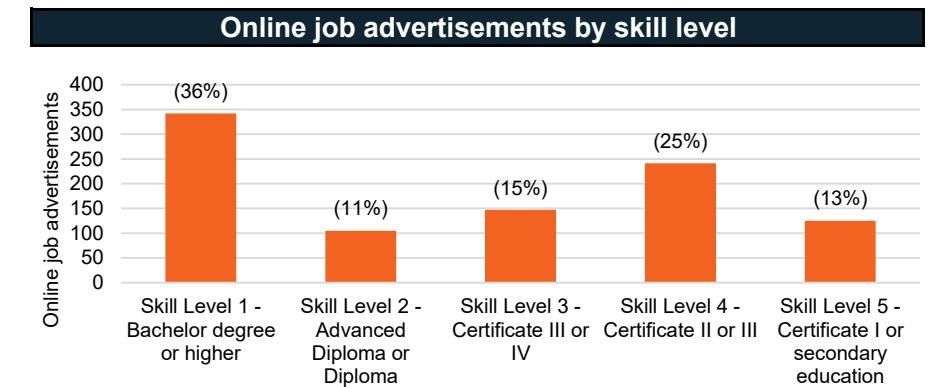
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