



North West Country SA Employment Region South Australia

Labour Market Dashboard

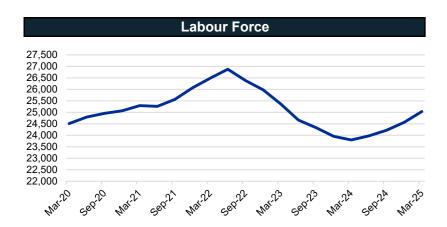
Data current as at 21 August 2025

Refer to source notes for data reference periods

This monthly **Labour Market Dashboard** provides select key indicators for the labour market by Employment Region with available data. For this Employment Region, given the relevant SA4 can only provide a poor proxy, ABS Labour Force data have been replaced with JSA Small Area Labour Markets quarterly smoothed estimates (labour force, unemployment and the unemployment rate) and 2021 ABS Census data (largest employing industries), for a more geographically representative fit.

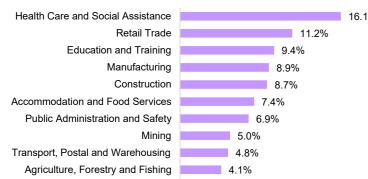
Labour market summary table								
	Labour Force		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		
	Mar-25	Mar-24	Change	Mar-25	Mar-24	Change	Mar-25	Mar-24
North West Country SA	25,031	23,797	5.2%	1,366	1,763	-22.5%	5.5%	7.4%

Source: JSA, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-25 guarter

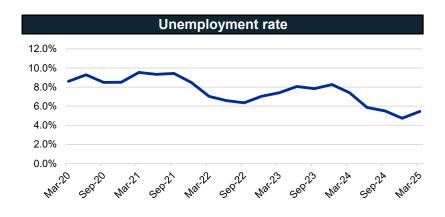


Source: JSA, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March - 25 quarter

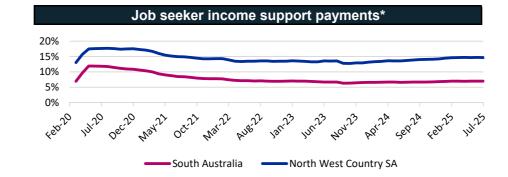
Largest employing industries (as at August 2021)



Source: ABS, Census of Population and Housing, 2021



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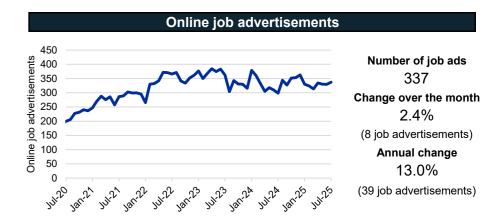
Change in job seeker income support payments						
	North West Country SA		South Australia			
Payments - July 2024	4,430		78,400			
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Change from July 2024 to	305	↑	4,040			
July 2025	6.9%	1	5.2%			

% 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 West Country SA	4,735	14.7%				
South Australia	82,440	7.0%				
Australia	986,090	5.6%				

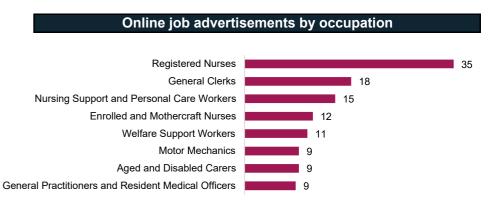
Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker and Youth Allowance (other) payment recipients, July-25; ABS, Estimated Resident Population, Jun-23

LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)						
Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-25	Mar-24				
Whyalla	6.6	8.5				
Port Augusta	6.4	9.1				
Port Lincoln	3.0	4.3				

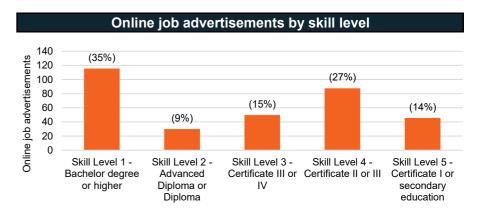
For more insights, access SALM data via dewr.gov.au. Source: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-25 quarter



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



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, 3 month averages, July-25



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Data are not readily available by Employment Region. Given the relevant SA4 can only provide a poor proxy for this Employment Region, apportioned SALM SA2 data have been used for select labour market indicators (labour force, unemployment and the unemployment rate) and ABS 2021 Census data for the largest employing industries, in lieu of ABS Labour Force data. For Employment Regions with multiple SA2s, aggregated SALM labour force and unemployment rates for this Employment Region. The Internet Vacancy Index (IVI) and income support data are apportioned to Employment Regions using an SA2 based concordance. *Job seeker payments include those who are in receipt of either JobSeeker (aged 22 and over but under the Age Pension qualifying age) or Youth Allowance (other) payments (those aged 16 to 21). The reporting population for income support payments has changed to include those who are suspended from payment, and those who are current but on zero rate of payment for JobSeeker payments are only available by standard 5-year age groups. For more information about the data in this dashboard, refer to the Employment Region Labour Market Dashboard data sources and quality document on jobsandskills.gov.au.