

Labour Market Dashboard Victoria

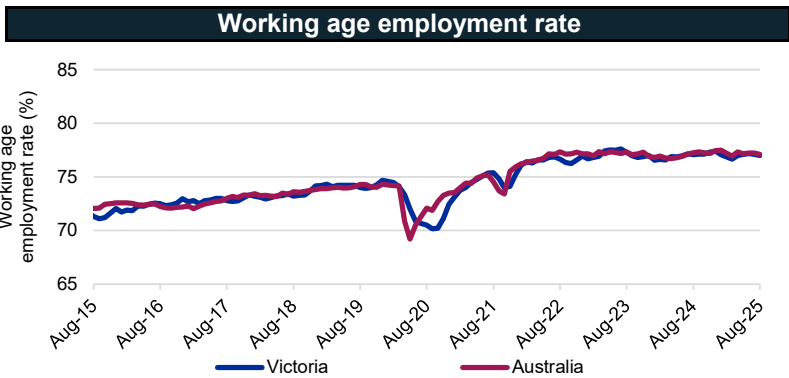
Data current as at 25 September 2025

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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.

Labour market summary table											
	Working Age Employment Rate		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Working Age Participation Rate		Youth unemployment rate	
	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-24 (%)	Aug-25 ('000)	Aug-24 ('000)	Change (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-24 (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-24 (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-24 (%)
Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
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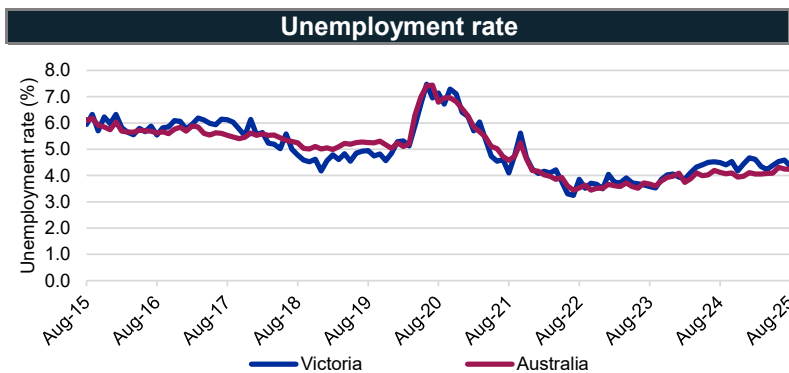
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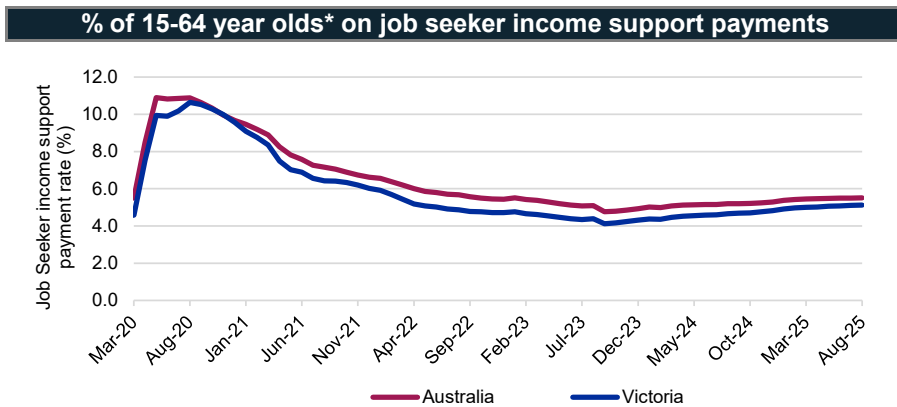
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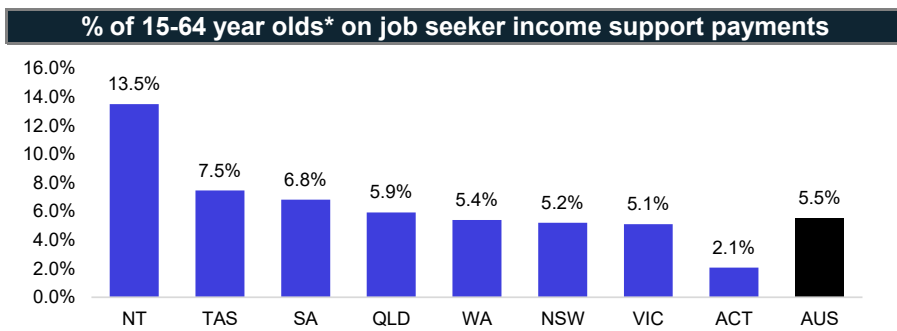
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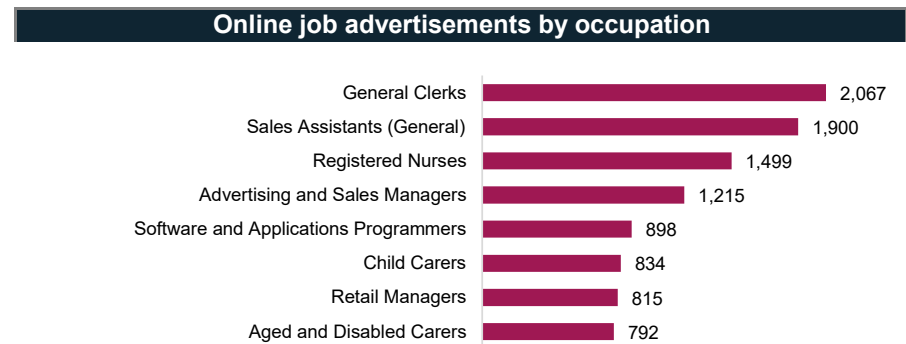
Change in job seeker income support payments		
	Victoria	Australia
Payments - August 2024	213,290	916,850
Payments - August 2025	238,725	987,955
Change (August 2024 to August 2025)	↑ 25,435	↑ 71,105
Change % (August 2024 to August 2025)	↑ 11.9%	↑ 7.8%



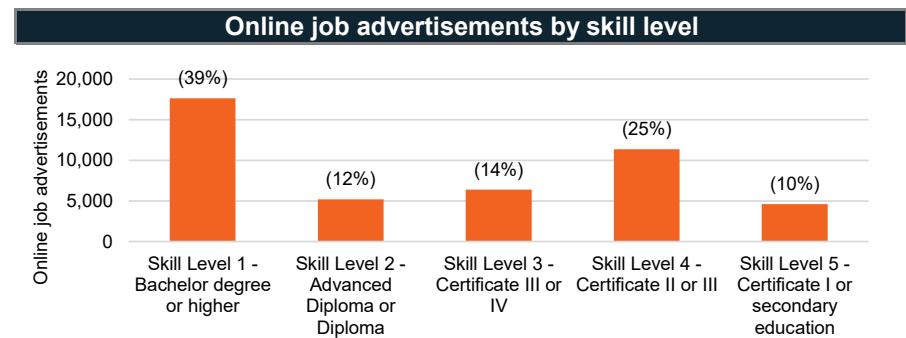
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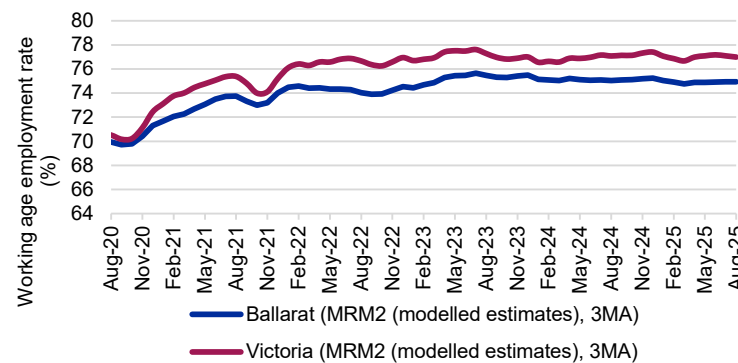
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	Working age employment rate*		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Working age participation rate*		Youth unemployment rate*	
	Aug-25 ('000)	Aug-24 ('000)	Aug-25 ('000)	Aug-24 ('000)	Change (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-24 (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-24 (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-24 (%)
Ballarat	74.9	75.0	3.3	3.2	5.8	3.6	3.4	77.8	77.8	8.0	8.3
Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
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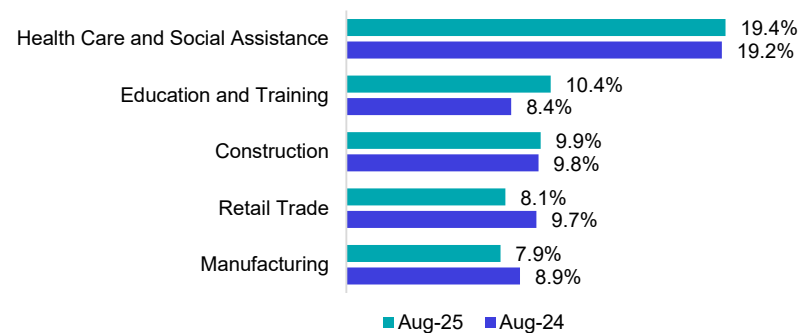
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Working age employment rate (%)



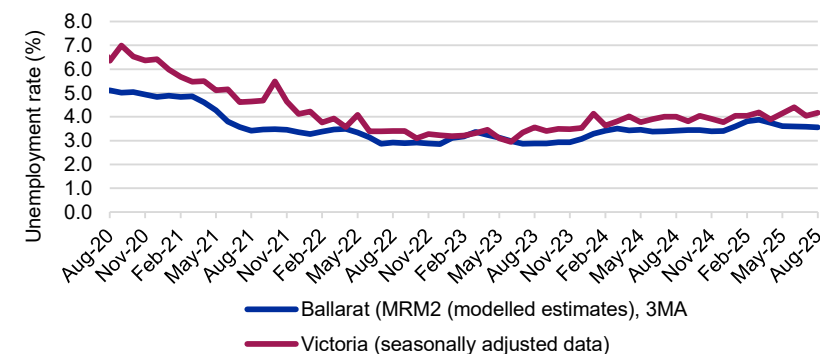
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Largest employing industries



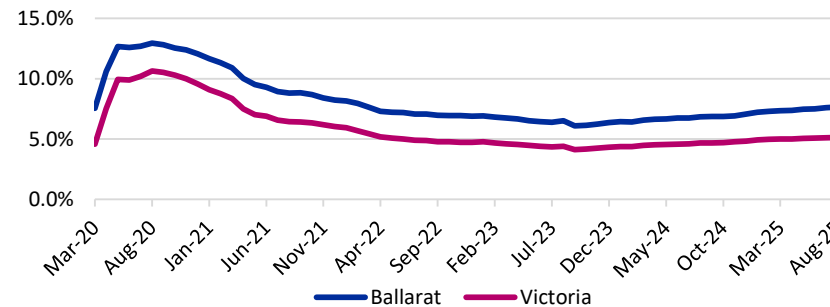
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Unemployment rate



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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	Ballarat	Victoria
Payments - August 2024	7,565	213,290
Payments - August 2025	8,565	238,725
Change from August 2024 to August 2025	↑ 1,000	↑ 25,435
	↑ 13.2%	↑ 11.9%

% 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	8,565	7.7%
Victoria	238,725	5.1%
Australia	988,365	5.5%

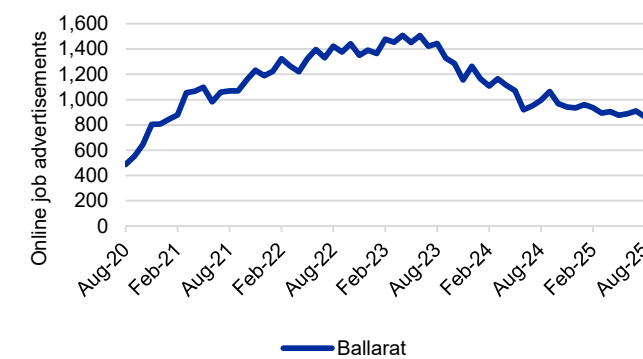
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Central Goldfields	7.9	9.1
Pyrenees	4.7	5.3
Ballarat	4.2	4.7
Moorabool	3.6	3.2
Ararat	3.3	4.4

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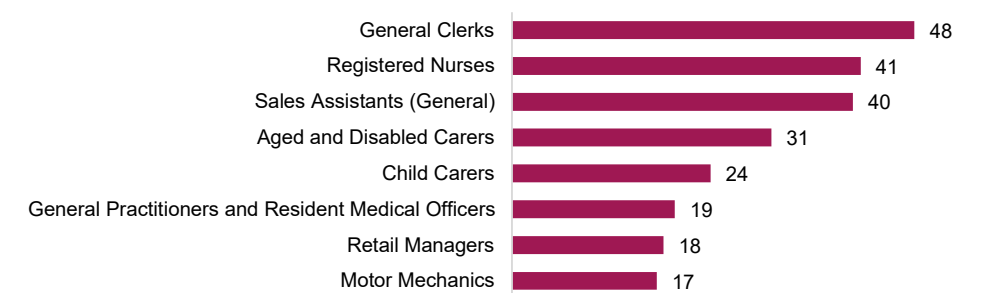
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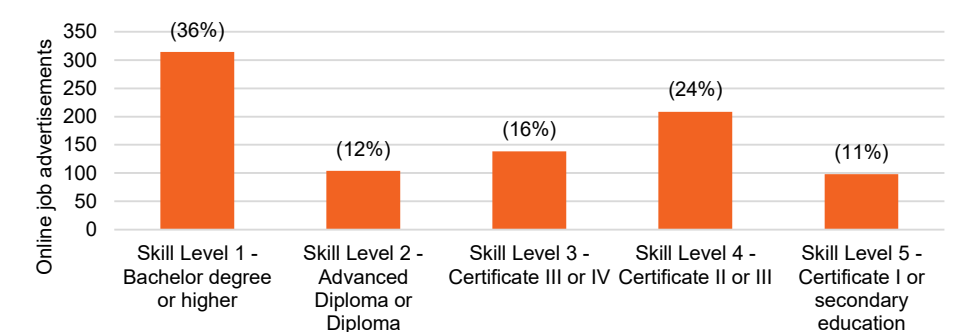
Number of job ads
864
Change over the month
-5.1%
(-47 job advertisements)
Annual change
-13.1%
(-130 job advertisements)

Online job advertisements by occupation



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, 3MA of original data, August-25

Online job advertisements by skill level



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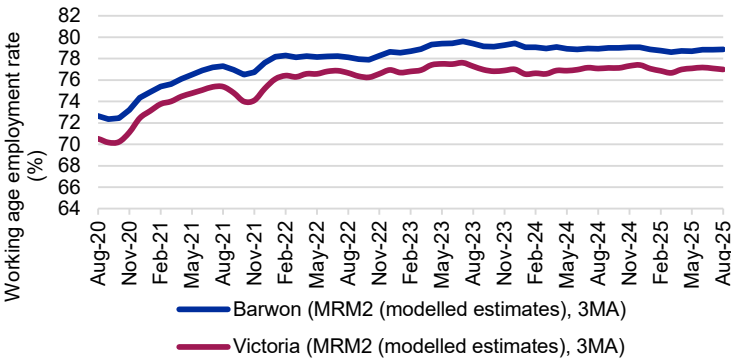
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Barwon	78.9	78.9	6.0	6.0	0.7	3.1	3.2	81.5	81.6	7.5	7.8
Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
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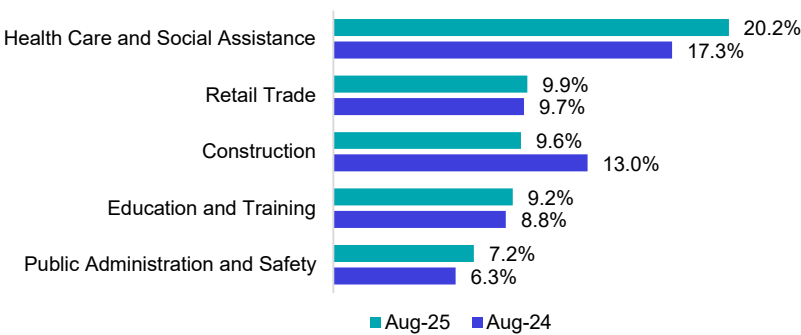
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Working age employment rate (%)



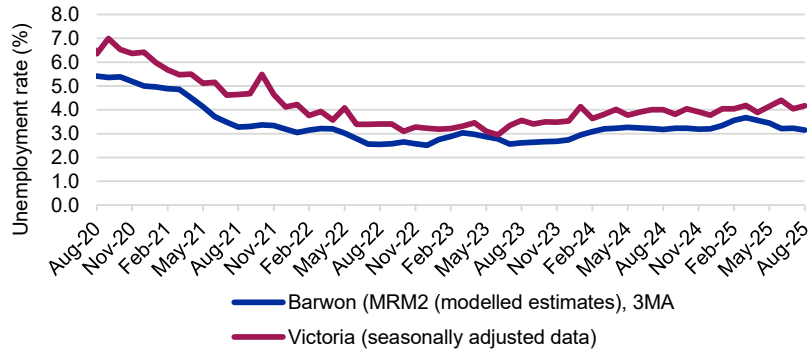
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Largest employing industries



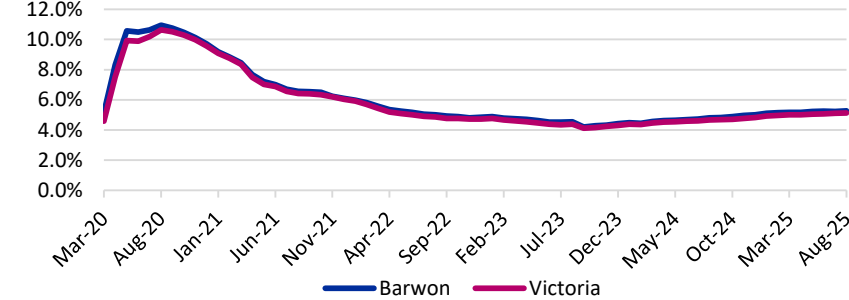
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Unemployment rate



Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted data & MRM2 (3MA), August-25

Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	Barwon	Victoria
Payments - August 2024	10,435	213,290
Payments - August 2025	11,620	238,725
Change from August 2024 to August 2025	↑ 1,185	↑ 25,435
	↑ 11.4%	↑ 11.9%

% 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	11,620	5.3%
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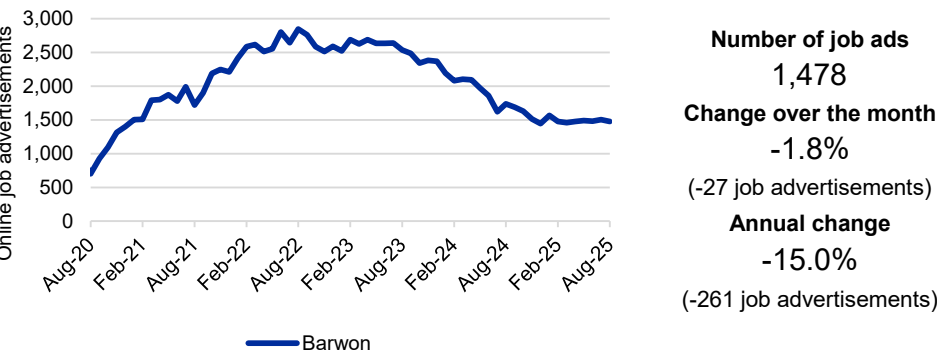
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Greater Geelong	4.6	4.2
Golden Plains	2.9	2.9
Queenscliffe	2.0	1.3
Surf Coast	1.6	1.5

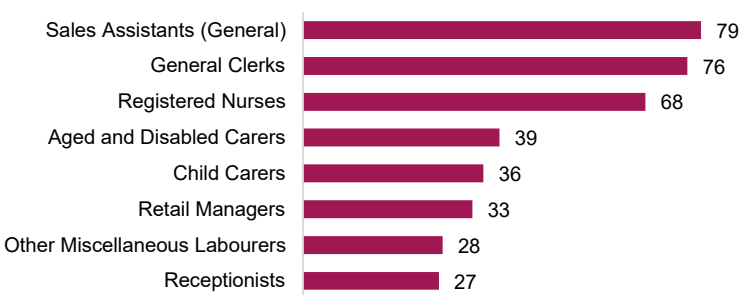
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Online job advertisements



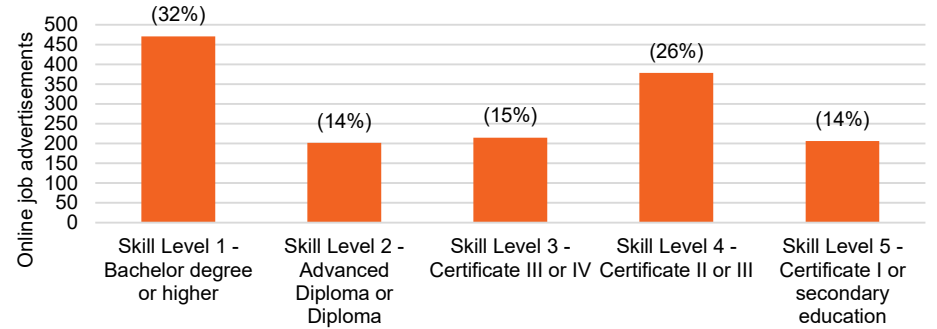
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Online job advertisements by occupation



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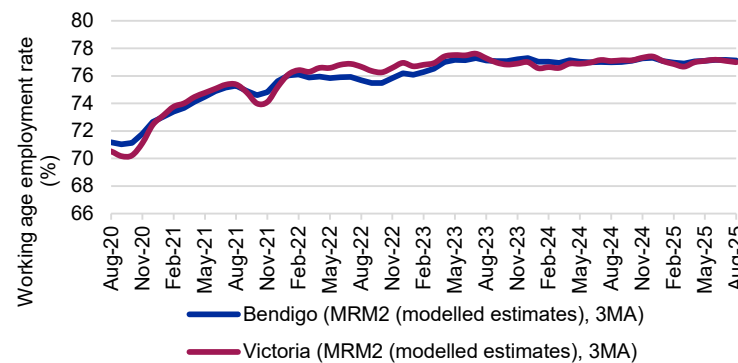
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Bendigo	77.1	77.0	2.9	2.9	0.3	3.2	3.3	79.7	79.7	7.2	7.9
Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
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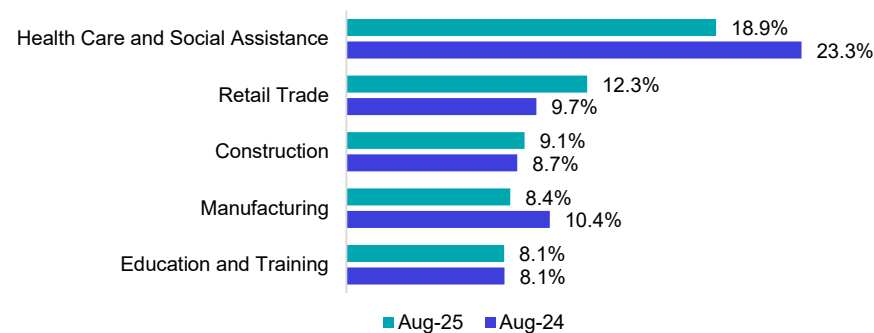
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Working age employment rate (%)



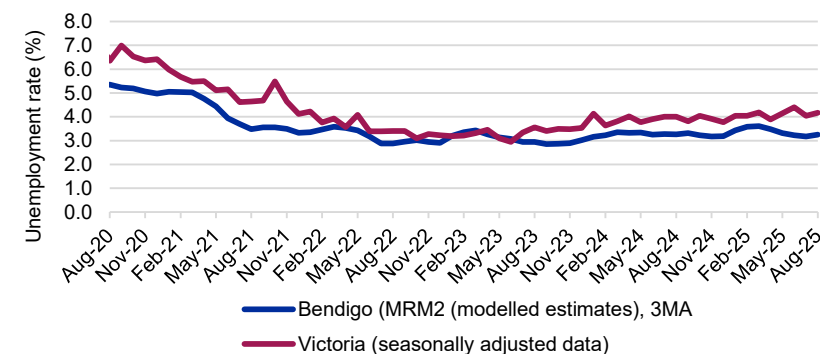
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Largest employing industries



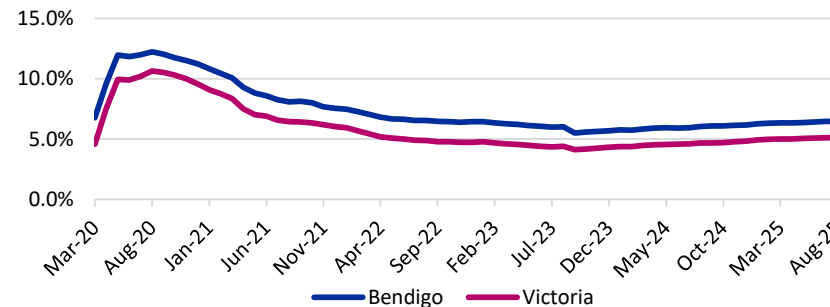
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Unemployment rate



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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	Bendigo	Victoria
Payments - August 2024	6,195	213,290
Payments - August 2025	6,675	238,725
Change from August 2024 to August 2025	↑ 480	↑ 25,435
	↑ 7.7%	↑ 11.9%

% 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
Bendigo	6,675	6.5%
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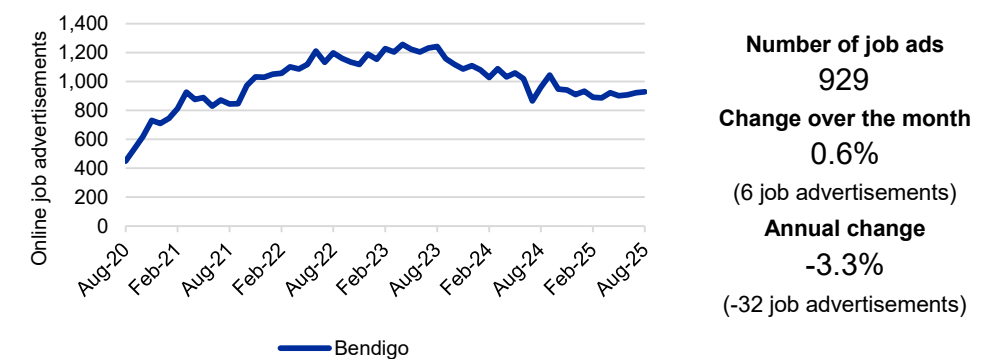
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Loddon	5.3	4.1
Greater Bendigo	4.1	3.1
Mount Alexander	3.2	2.3
Macedon Ranges	1.9	1.5

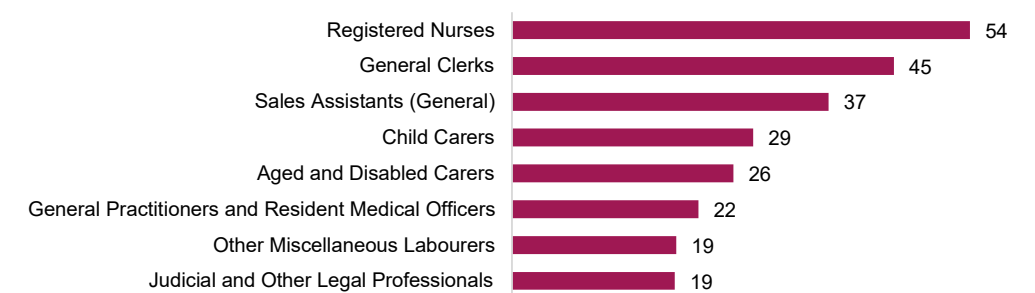
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Online job advertisements



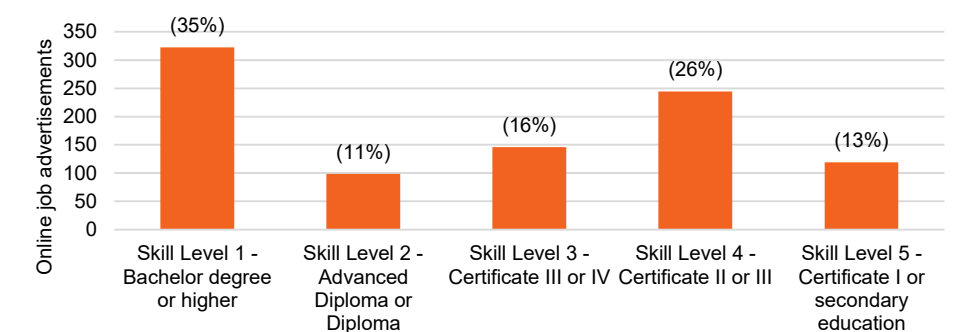
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Online job advertisements by occupation



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Online job advertisements by skill level



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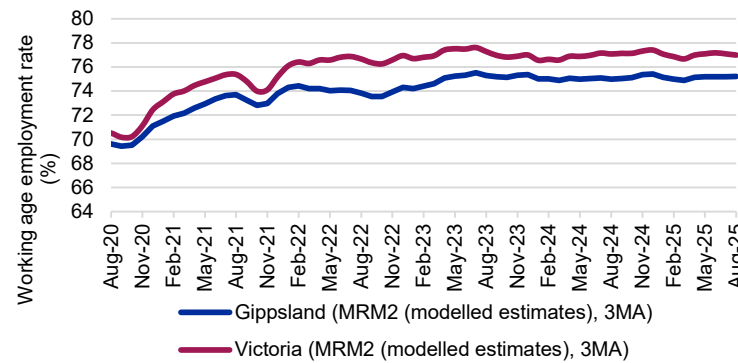
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Gippsland	75.2	75.0	6.0	6.0	-0.7	3.9	4.0	78.4	78.3	8.7	9.5
Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
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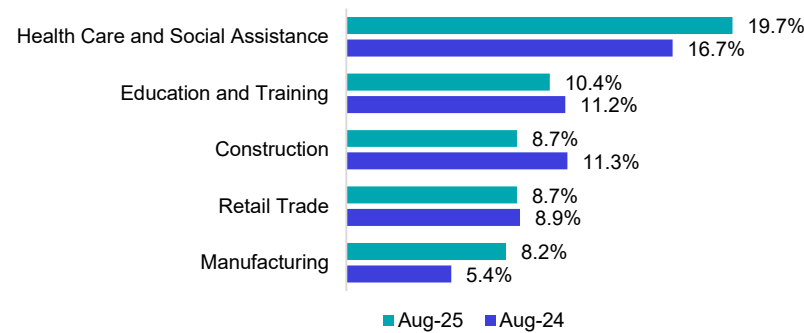
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Working age employment rate (%)



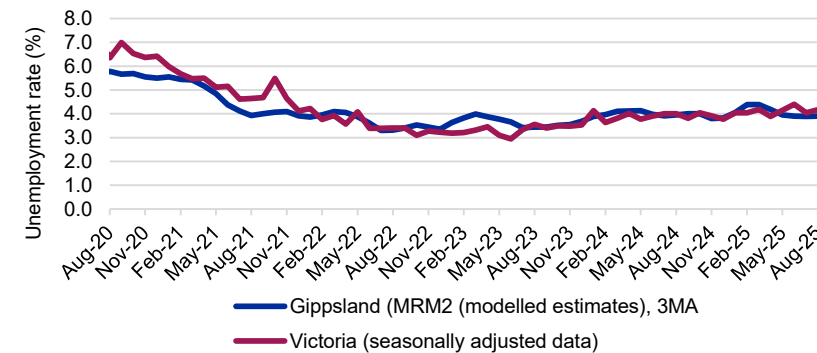
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Largest employing industries



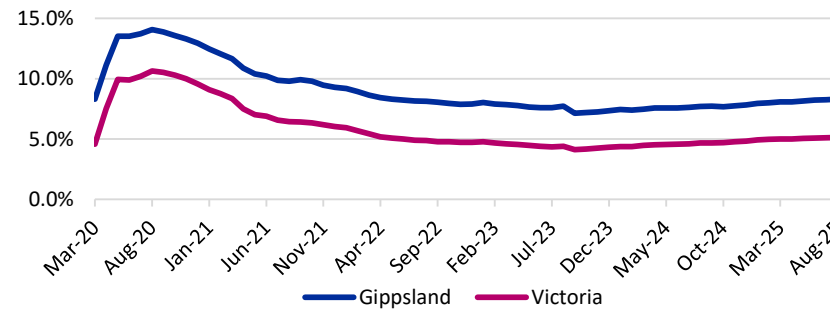
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Unemployment rate



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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	Gippsland	Victoria
Payments - August 2024	13,755	213,290
Payments - August 2025	14,880	238,725
Change from August 2024 to August 2025	↑ 1,125 8.2%	↑ 25,435 11.9%

% 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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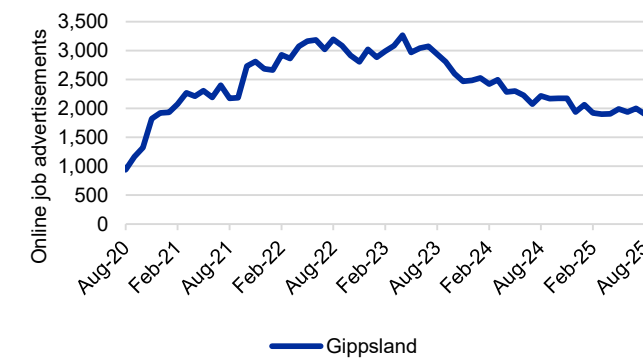
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Latrobe (Vic.)	6.8	5.9
East Gippsland	5.5	4.9
Wellington	4.4	3.8
Bass Coast	3.6	3.2
Baw Baw	3.0	2.5

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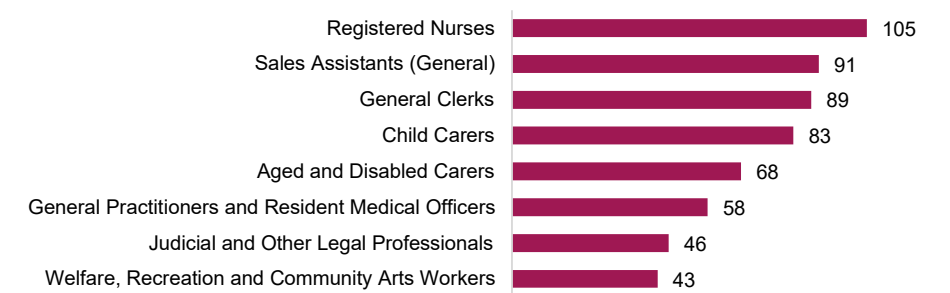
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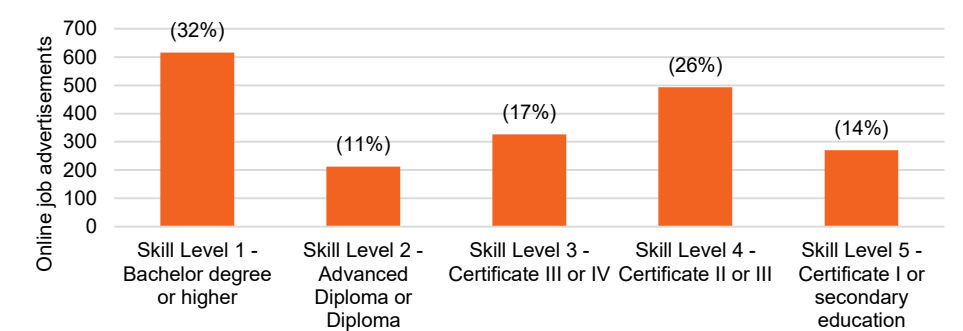
Number of job ads
1,903
Change over the month
-4.9%
(-99 job advertisements)
Annual change
-14.1%
(-313 job advertisements)

Online job advertisements by occupation



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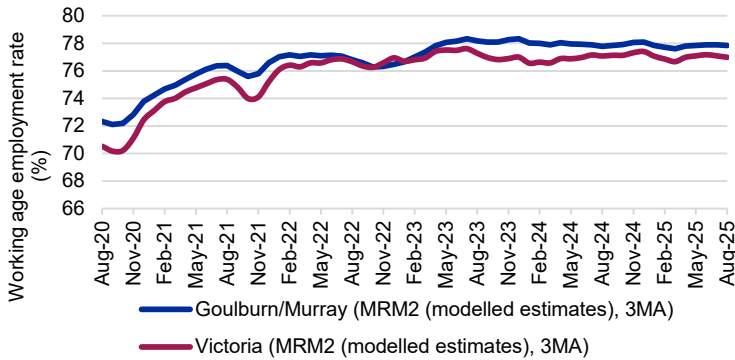
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Goulburn/Murray	77.8	77.8	5.5	5.4	1.8	3.3	3.2	80.6	80.5	7.4	7.9
Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
Australia	77.1	77.2	647.4	619.3	4.5	4.2	4.1	80.6	80.6	9.7	9.9

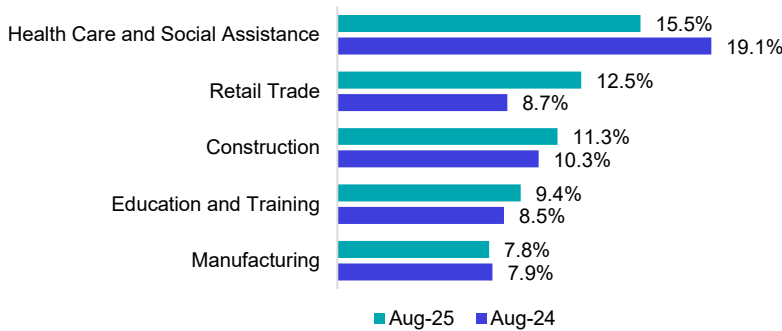
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Working age employment rate (%)



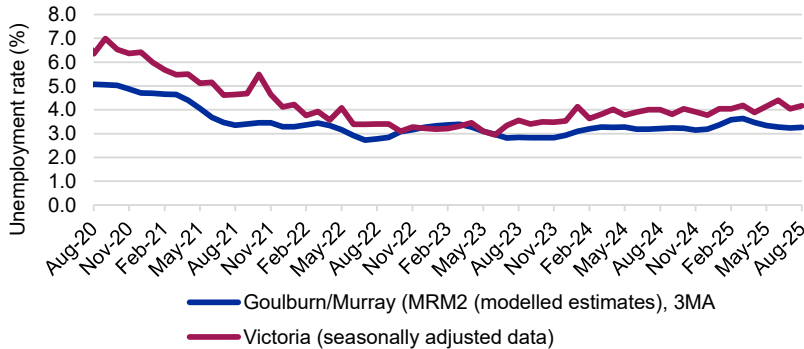
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Largest employing industries



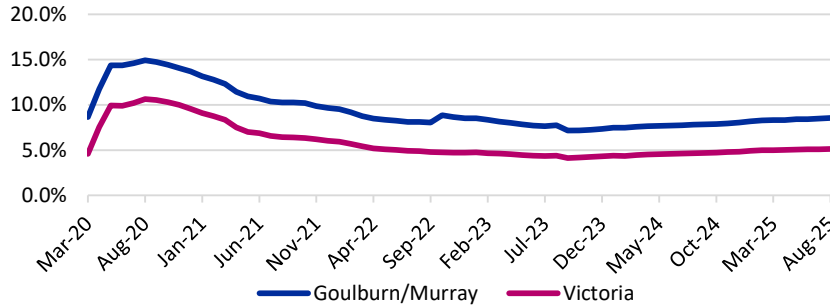
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Unemployment rate



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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	Goulburn/Murray	Victoria
Payments - August 2024	14,850	213,290
Payments - August 2025	16,190	238,725
Change from August 2024 to August 2025	↑ 1,340	↑ 25,435
	↑ 9.0%	↑ 11.9%

% 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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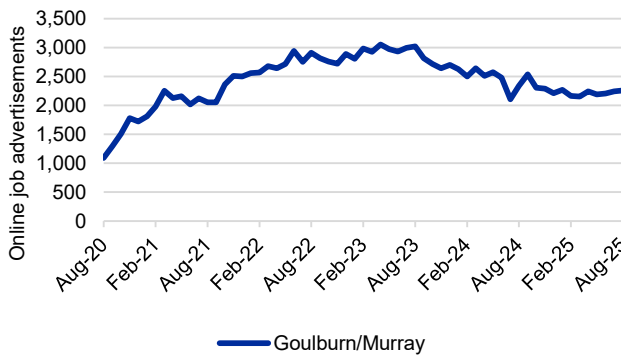
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Benalla	5.6	4.3
Wodonga	5.5	4.0
Mitchell	4.9	4.3
Wangaratta	4.9	3.5
Albury	4.7	4.4

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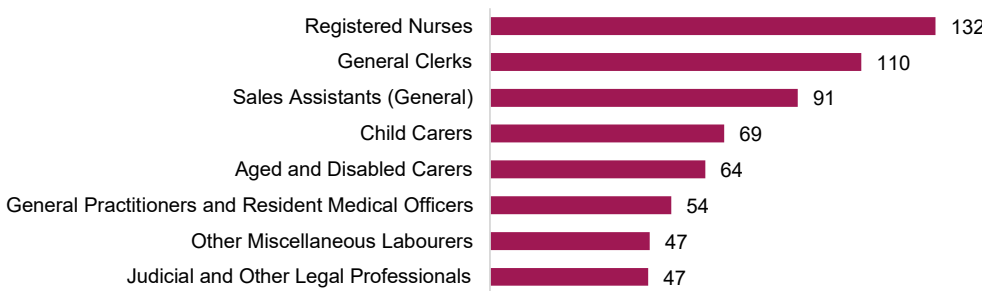
Online job advertisements



Number of job ads
2,257
Change over the month
0.6%
(13 job advertisements)
Annual change
-3.3%
(-78 job advertisements)

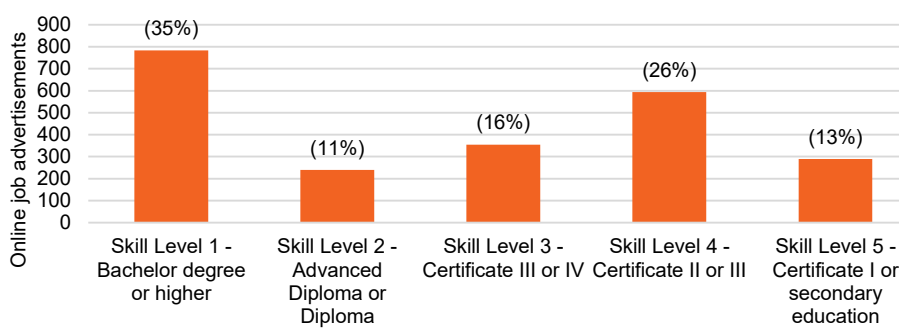
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Online job advertisements by occupation



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Online job advertisements by skill level



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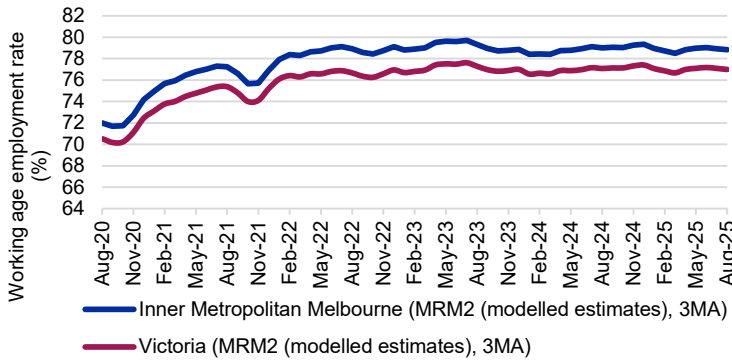
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Inner Metropolitan Melbourne	78.8	79.0	40.0	38.8	3.1	4.0	4.0	82.2	82.4	10.2	10.0
Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
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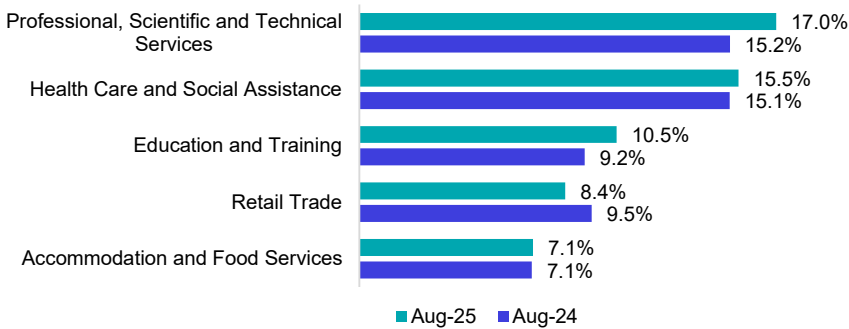
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Working age employment rate (%)



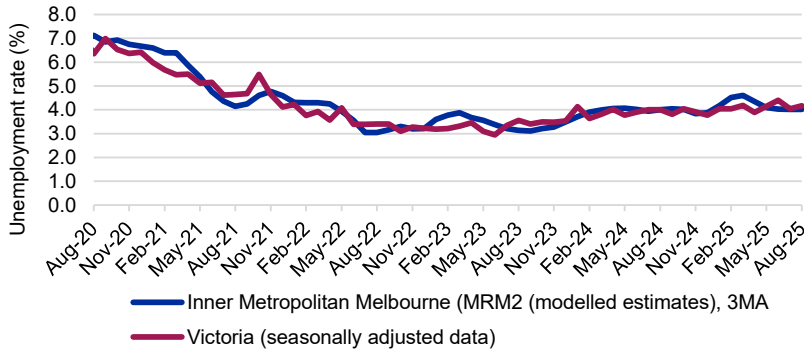
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Largest employing industries



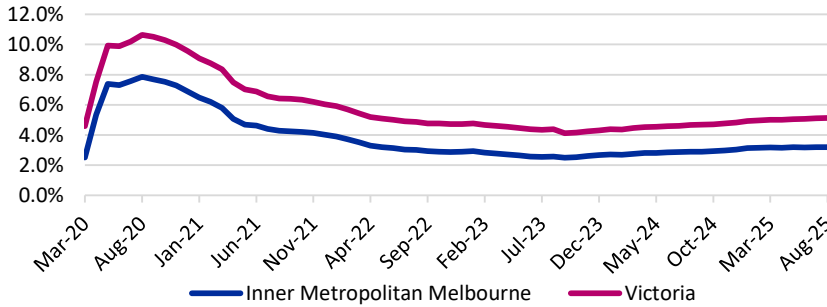
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Unemployment rate



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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	Inner Metropolitan Melbourne	Victoria
Payments - August 2024	32,245	213,290
Payments - August 2025	36,605	238,725
Change from August 2024 to August 2025	↑ 4,360	↑ 25,435
	↑ 13.5%	↑ 11.9%

% 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
Inner Metropolitan Melbourne	36,605	3.2%
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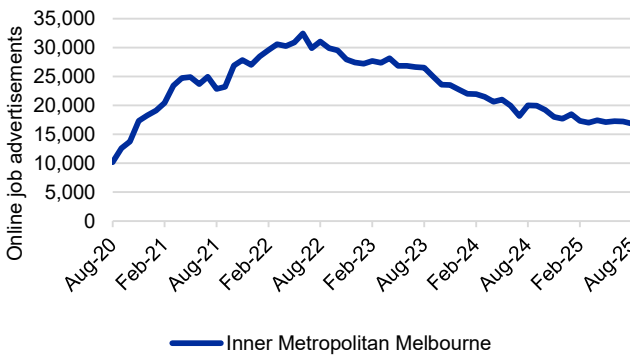
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Yarra	5.8	4.9
Merri-bek	5.4	4.8
Kingston (Vic.)	5.1	3.4
Port Phillip	5.0	4.3
Darebin	4.7	5.1

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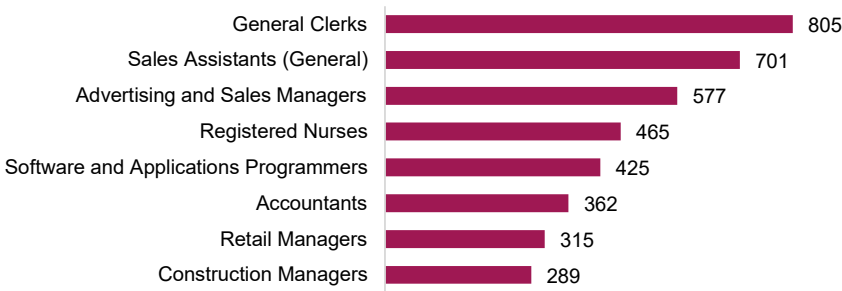
Online job advertisements



Number of job ads
16,847
Change over the month
-2.3%
(-395 job advertisements)
Annual change
-15.9%
(-3,181 job advertisements)

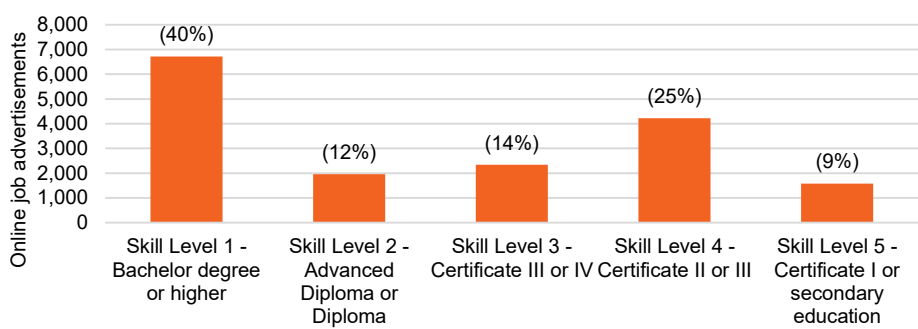
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Online job advertisements by occupation



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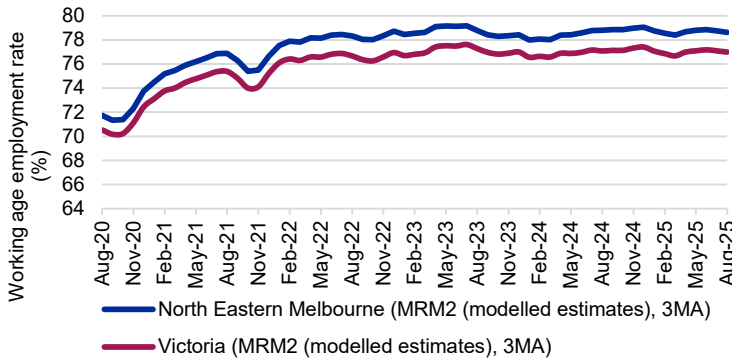
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North Eastern Melbourne	78.6	78.8	24.4	23.5	3.6	3.8	3.7	81.8	81.9	10.1	9.9
Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
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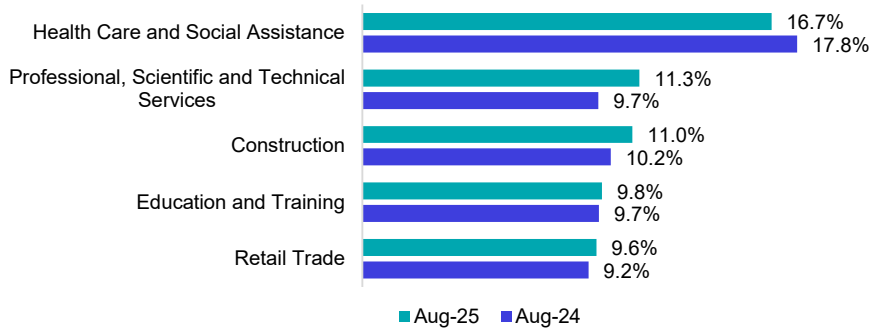
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Working age employment rate (%)



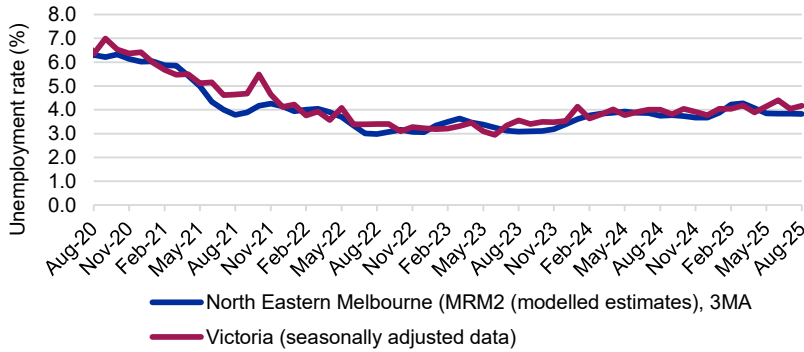
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Largest employing industries



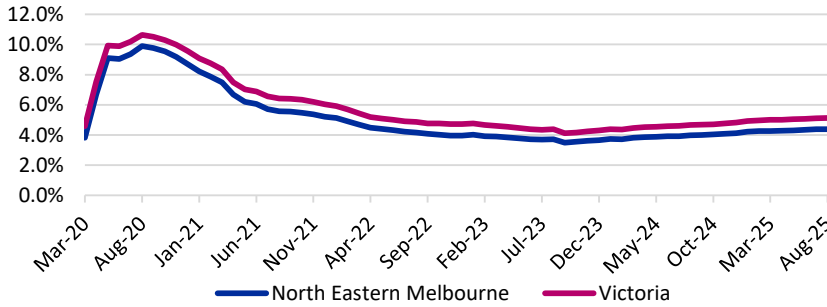
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Unemployment rate



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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	North Eastern Melbourne	Victoria
Payments - August 2024	28,845	213,290
Payments - August 2025	32,250	238,725
Change from August 2024 to August 2025	↑ 3,405	↑ 25,435
	↑ 11.8%	↑ 11.9%

% 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	32,250	4.4%
Victoria	238,725	5.1%
Australia	988,365	5.5%

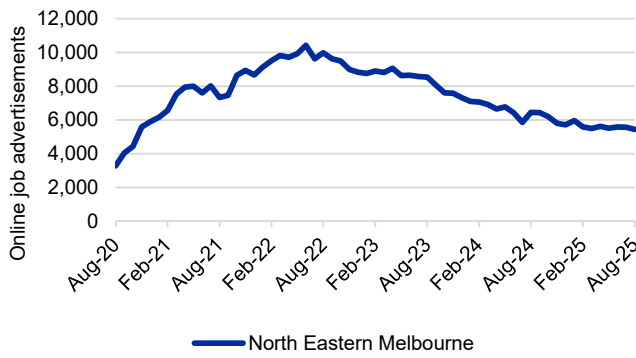
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LGA's with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Mitchell	4.9	4.3
Darebin	4.7	5.1
Murrindindi	4.4	3.6
Whittlesea	4.2	5.0
Manningham	3.9	4.1

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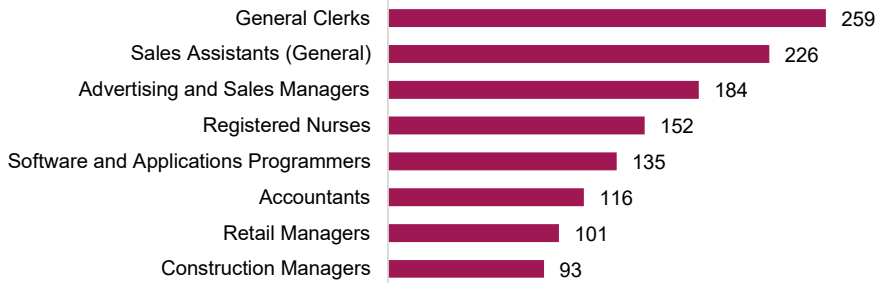
Online job advertisements



Number of job ads
5,429
Change over the month
-2.3%
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Annual change
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(-1,018 job advertisements)

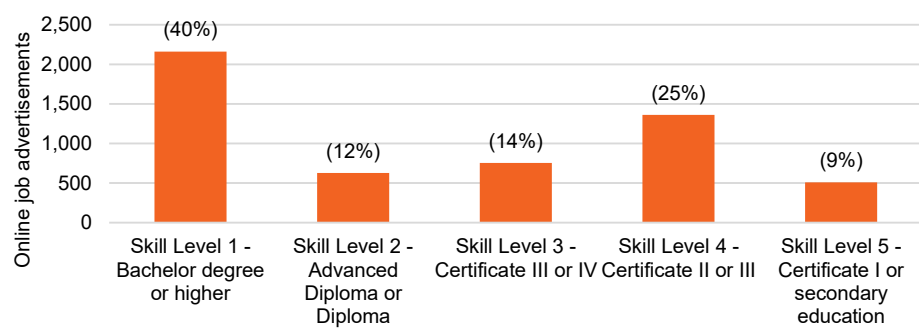
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Online job advertisements by occupation



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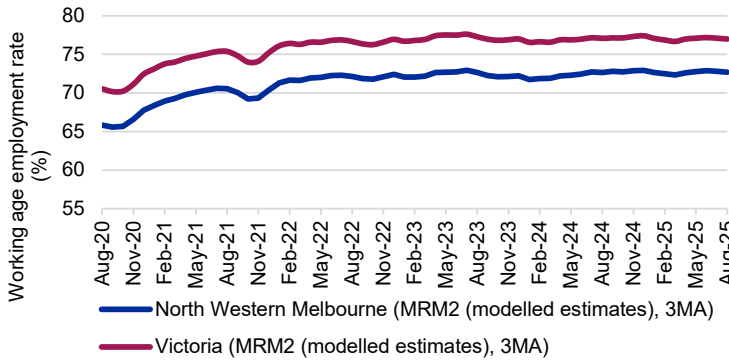
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North Western Melbourne	72.7	72.7	12.9	12.9	-0.2	5.2	5.3	76.8	76.8	12.9	13.0
Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
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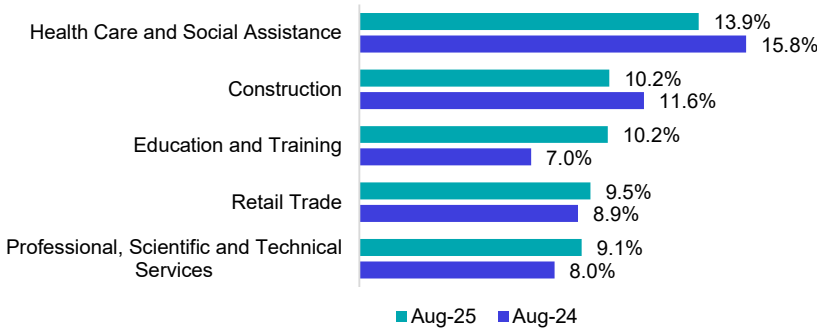
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Working age employment rate (%)



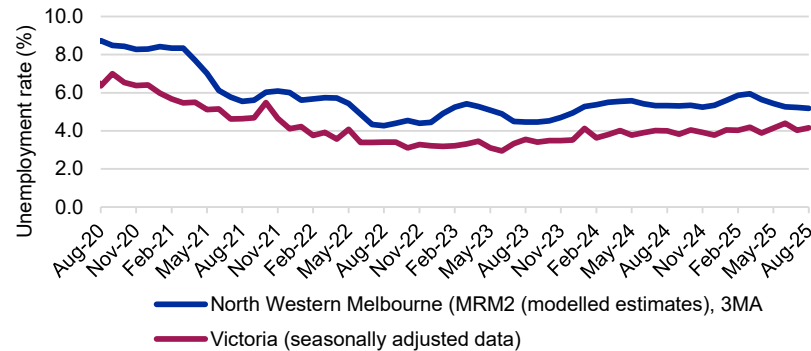
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Largest employing industries



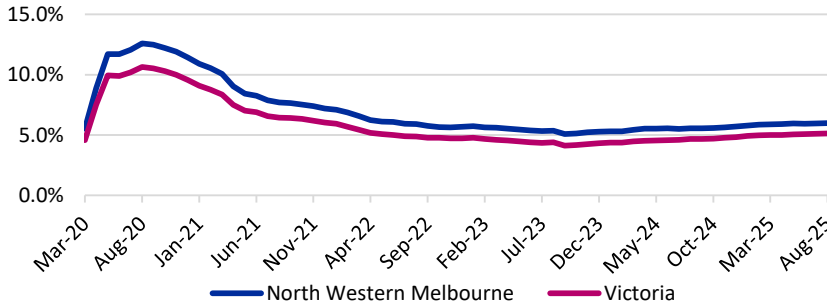
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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	North Western Melbourne	Victoria
Payments - August 2024	16,895	213,290
Payments - August 2025	18,650	238,725
Change from August 2024 to August 2025	↑ 1,755	↑ 25,435
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% of 15-64 year olds**on job seeker income support payments

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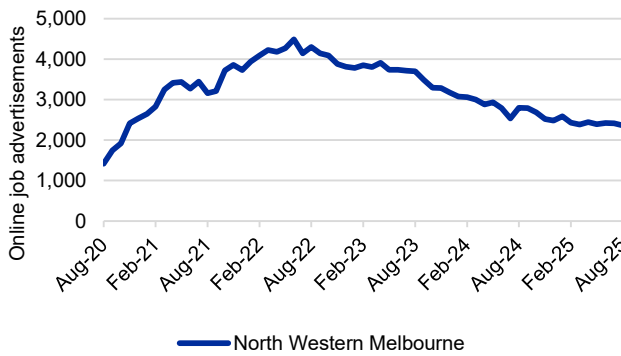
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Hume	7.9	7.1
Brimbank	6.6	6.0
Merri-bek	5.4	4.8
Moonee Valley	4.7	4.0
Macedon Ranges	1.9	1.5

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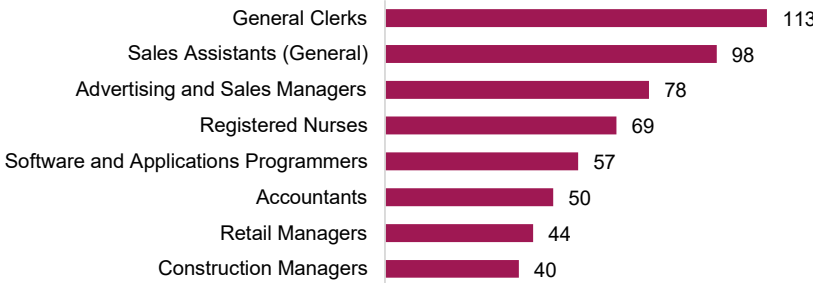
Online job advertisements



Number of job ads
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Change over the month
-2.2%
(-53 job advertisements)
Annual change
-15.4%
(-431 job advertisements)

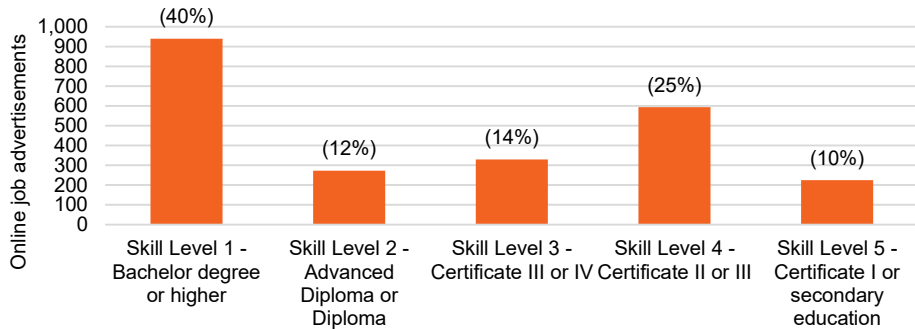
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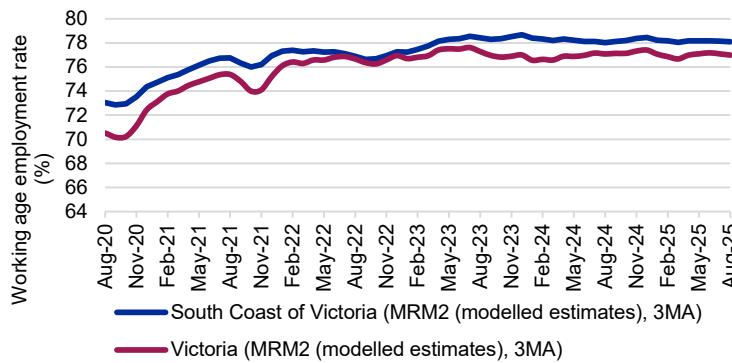
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South Coast of Victoria	78.1	78.0	1.8	1.8	2.3	2.7	2.6	80.4	80.3	6.1	6.6
Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
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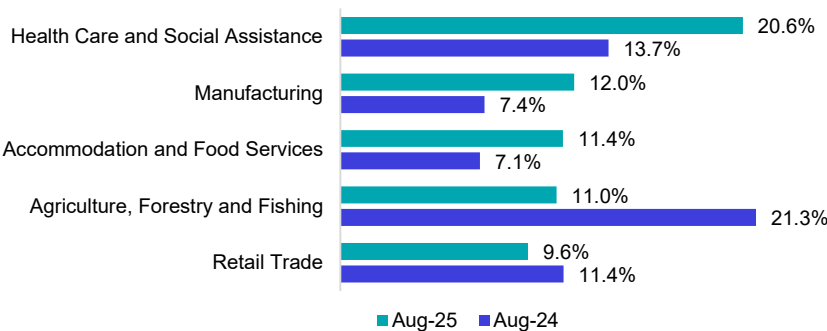
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Working age employment rate (%)



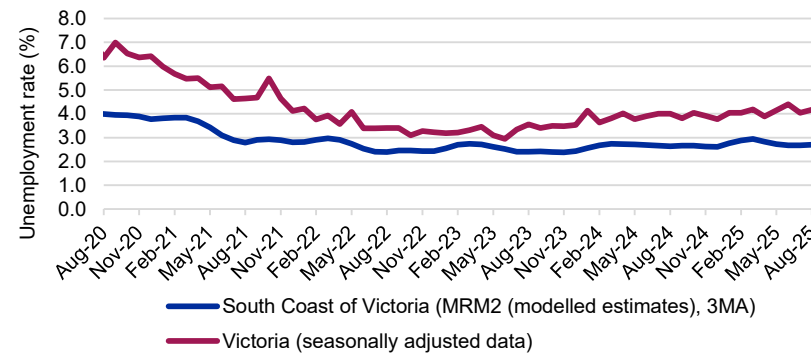
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Largest employing industries



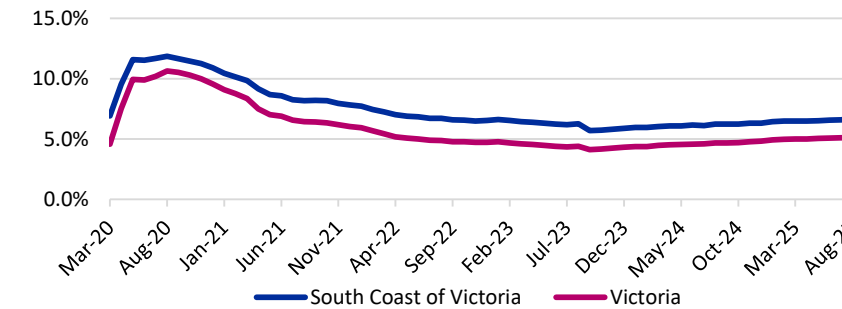
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Unemployment rate



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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments		South Coast of Victoria	Victoria
Payments - August 2024		4,600	213,290
Payments - August 2025		4,910	238,725
Change from August 2024 to August 2025	↑	310	25,435
	↑	6.7%	11.9%

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

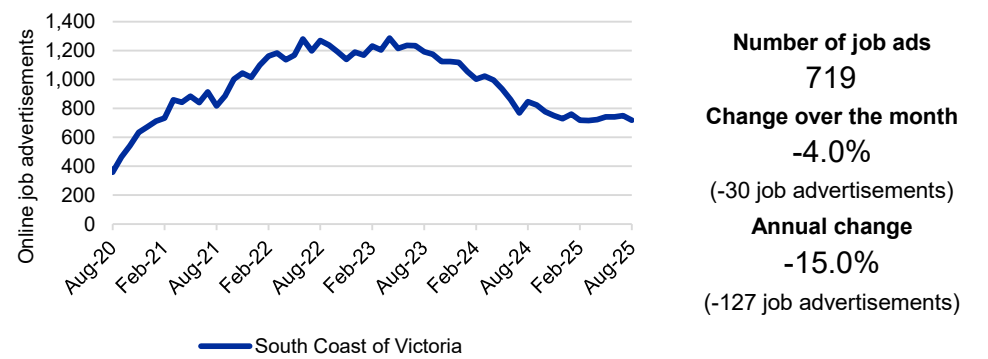
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Glenelg	2.5	3.0
Southern Grampians	2.1	2.2
Warrnambool	1.6	2.0
Colac Otway	1.5	1.9
Corangamite	1.3	1.6

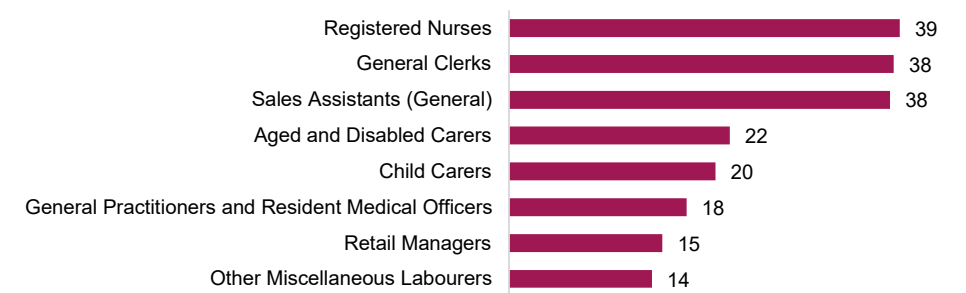
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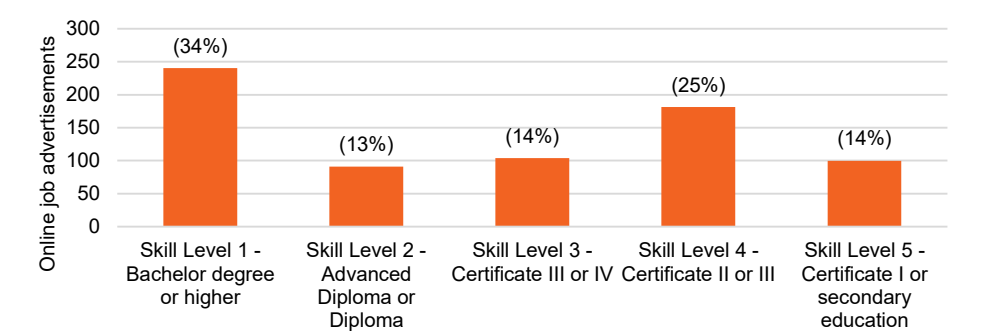
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Online job advertisements by skill level



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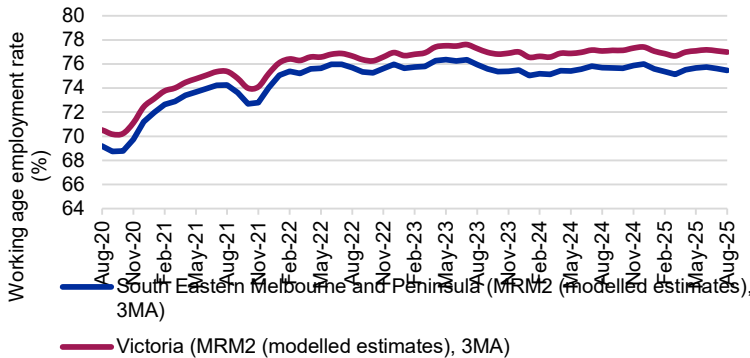
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South Eastern Melbourne and Peninsula	75.5	75.7	34.5	33.6	2.6	4.9	4.9	79.5	79.7	12.1	11.6
Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
Australia	77.1	77.2	647.4	619.3	4.5	4.2	4.1	80.6	80.6	9.7	9.9

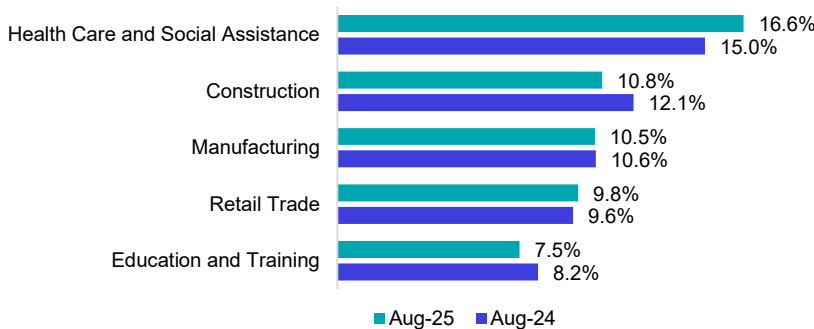
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Working age employment rate (%)



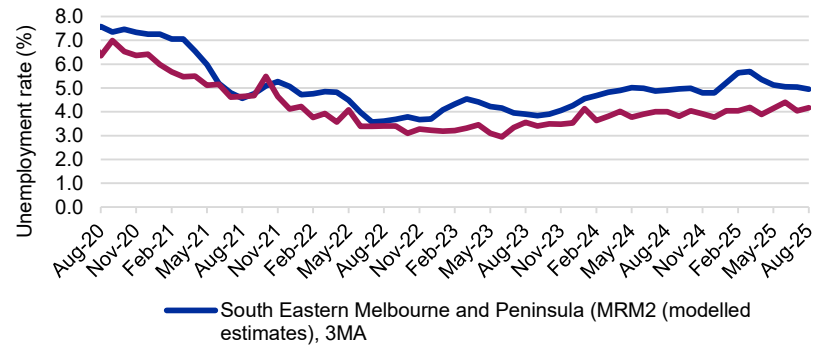
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Largest employing industries



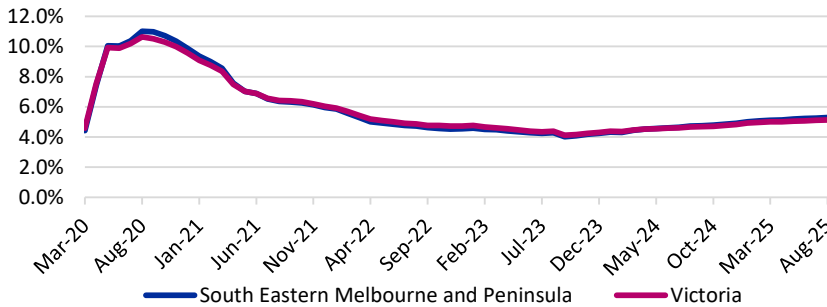
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Unemployment rate



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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	South Eastern Melbourne and Peninsula	Victoria
Payments - August 2024	38,645	213,290
Payments - August 2025	44,065	238,725
Change from August 2024 to August 2025	↑ 5,420	↑ 25,435
	↑ 14.0%	↑ 11.9%

% 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	44,065	5.3%
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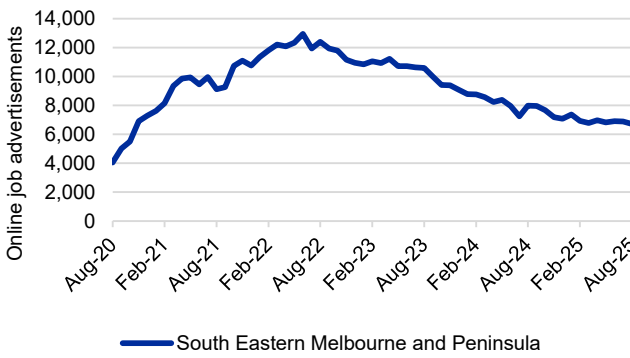
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Greater Dandenong	7.6	6.5
Casey	5.6	4.6
Frankston	5.2	3.9
Kingston (Vic.)	5.1	3.4
Cardinia	4.1	3.5

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Online job advertisements



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

Number of job ads

6,723

Change over the month

-2.3%

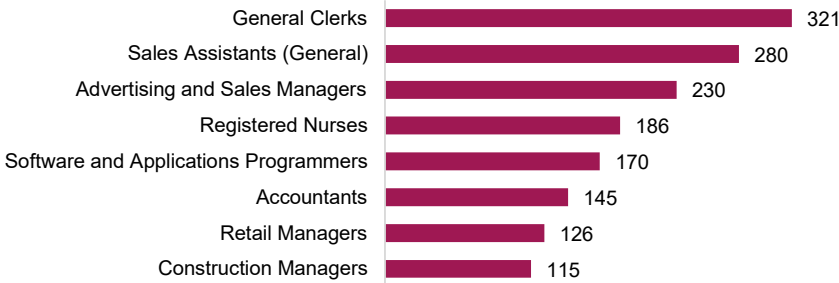
(-158 job advertisements)

Annual change

-15.9%

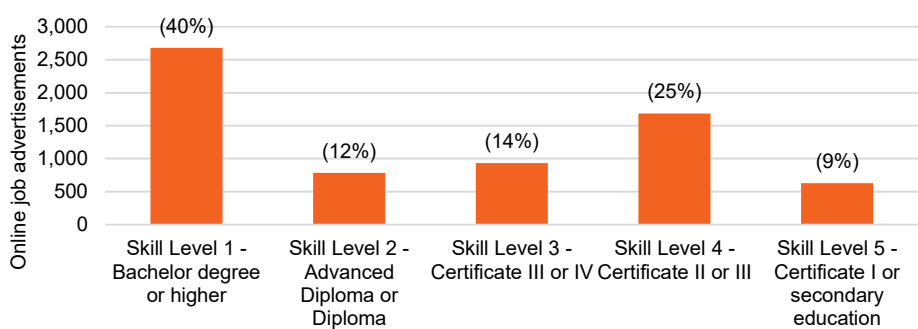
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Online job advertisements by occupation



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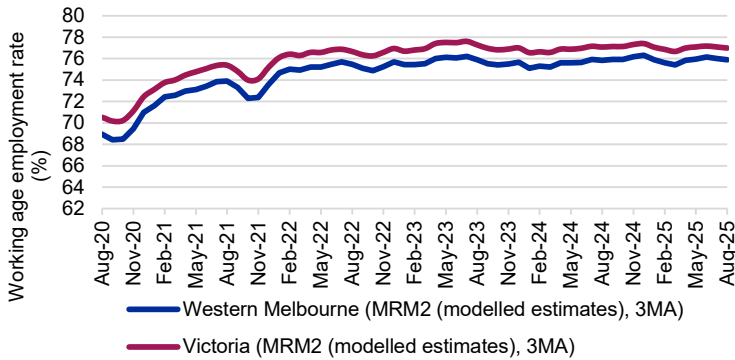
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Victoria	77.0	77.1	174.0	175.8	-1.0	4.4	4.5	80.5	80.7	10.6	10.5
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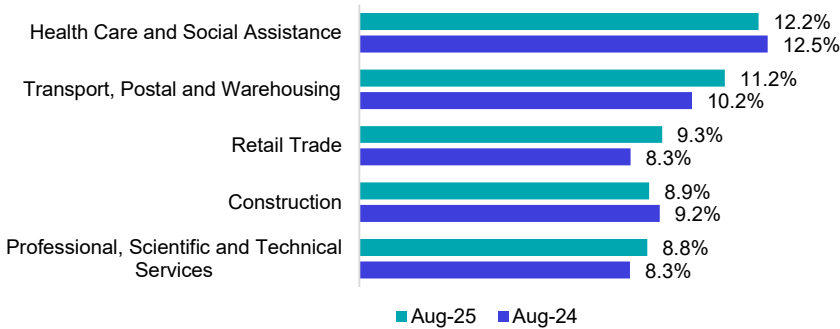
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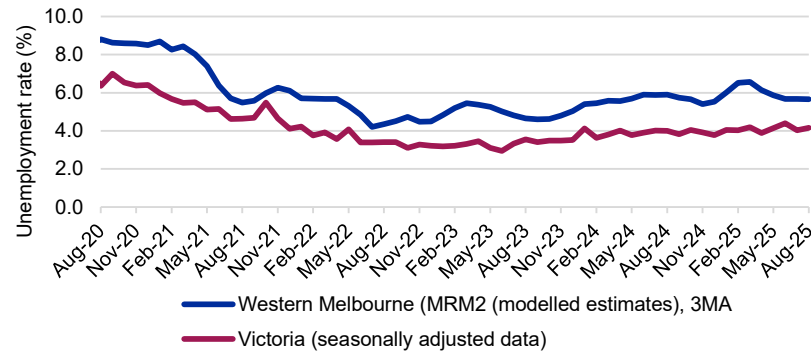
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Largest employing industries



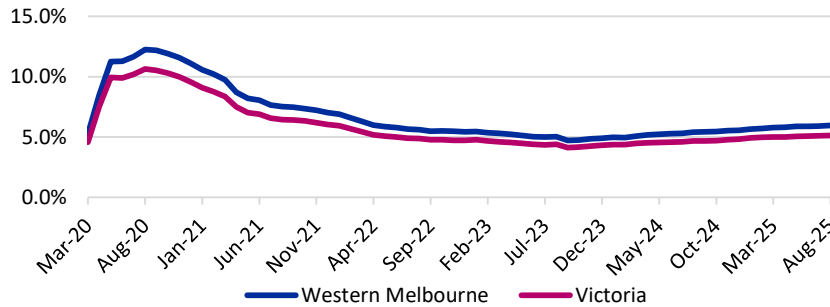
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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	Western Melbourne	Victoria
Payments - August 2024	34,880	213,290
Payments - August 2025	39,630	238,725
Change from August 2024 to August 2025	↑ 4,750	↑ 25,435
	↑ 13.6%	↑ 11.9%

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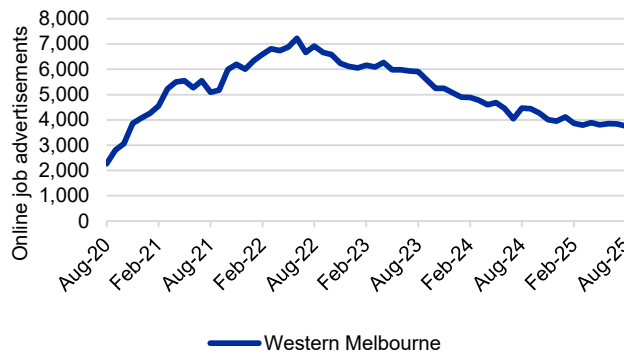
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Brimbank	6.6	6.0
Melton	6.0	5.0
Wyndham	5.0	4.3
Maribyrnong	4.2	4.0
Moorabool	3.6	3.2

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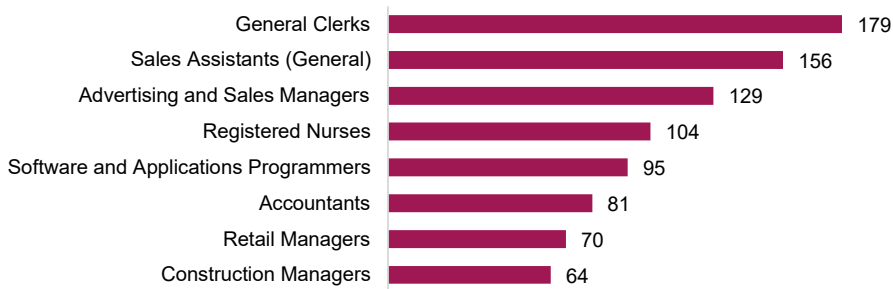
Online job advertisements



Number of job ads
3,751
Change over the month
-2.3%
(-88 job advertisements)
Annual change
-15.9%
(-708 job advertisements)

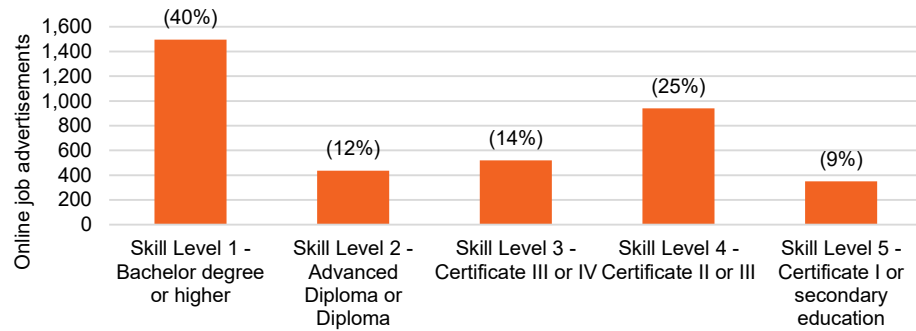
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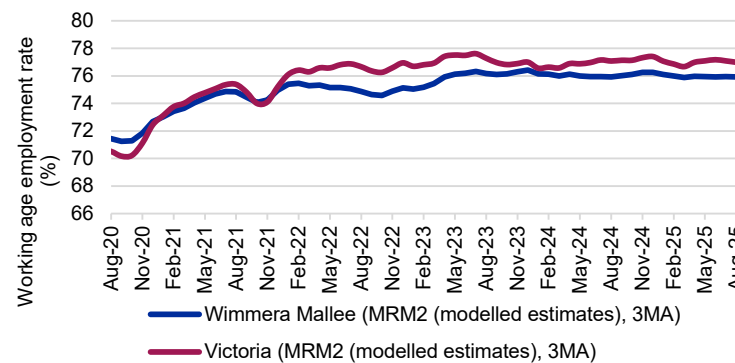
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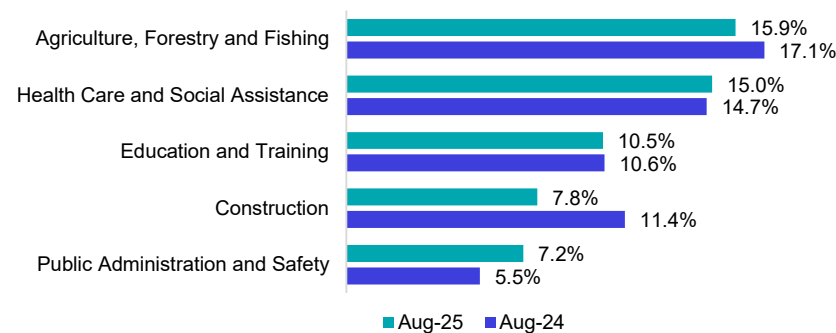
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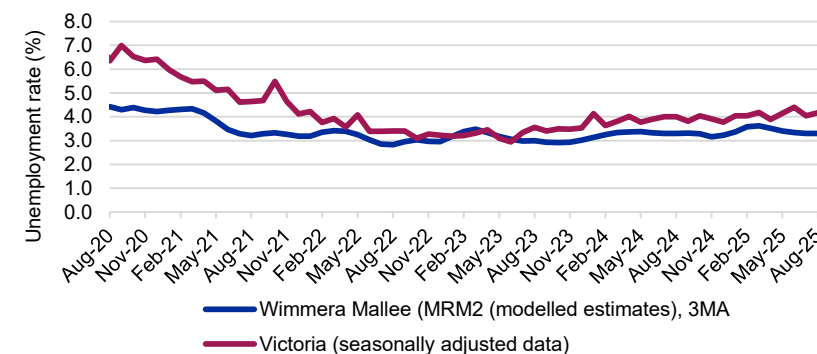
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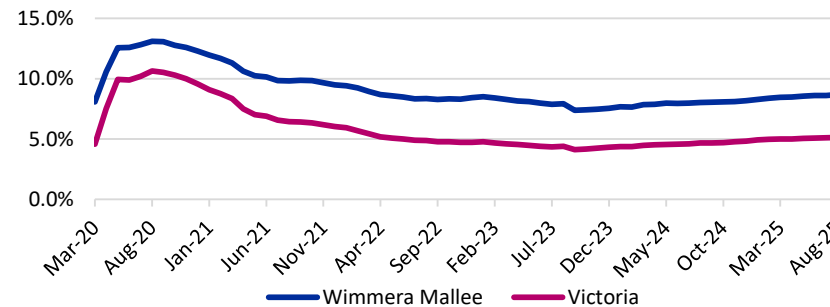
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Payments - August 2025	7,815	238,725
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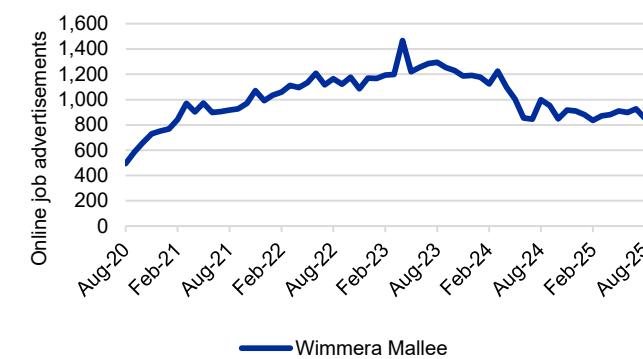
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Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Wentworth	4.7	4.7
Ararat	3.3	4.4
Mildura	3.2	4.0
Northern Grampians	3.2	4.0
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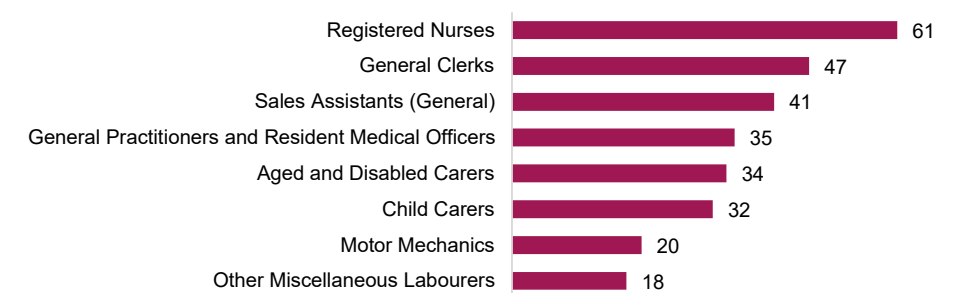
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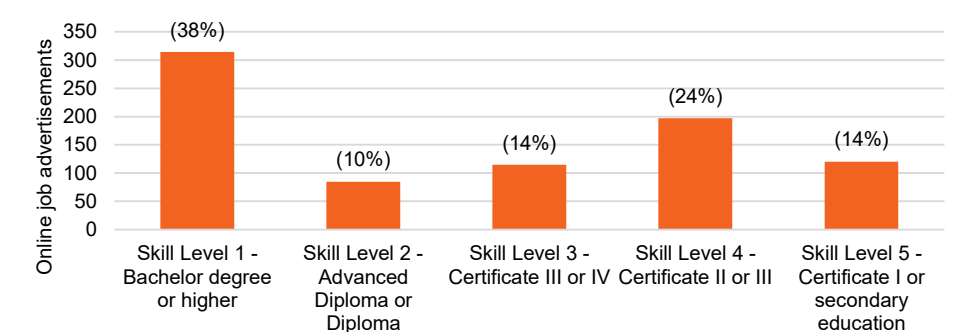
Number of job ads
851
Change over the month
-8.0%
(-74 job advertisements)
Annual change
-14.7%
(-147 job advertisements)

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