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Perth - North
Employment Region
Western Australia

Labour Market Dashboard

Data current as at 18 December 2025
Refer to source notes for data reference periods

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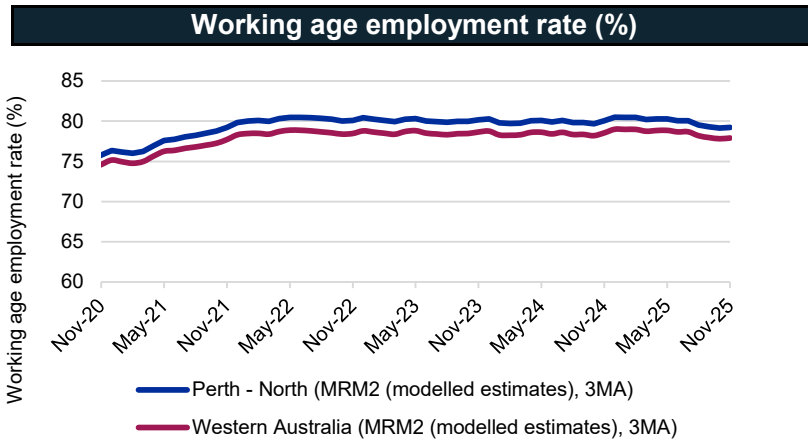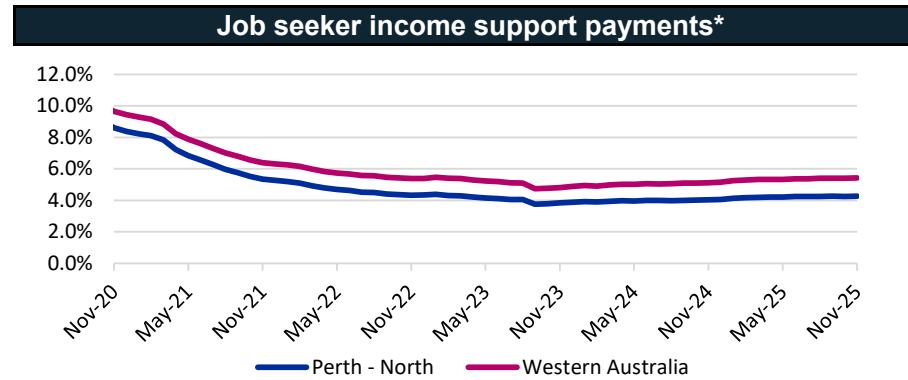
Labour market summary table

	Working age employment rate*		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Working age participation rate*		Youth unemployment rate*	
	Nov-25 ('000)	Nov-24 ('000)	Nov-25 ('000)	Nov-24 ('000)	Change (%)	Nov-25 (%)	Nov-24 (%)	Nov-25 (%)	Nov-24 (%)	Nov-25 (%)	Nov-24 (%)
Perth - North	79.2	80.0	27.1	21.9	23.7	3.9	3.2	82.5	82.7	9.0	9.0
Western Australia	77.9	78.5	78.9	54.6	44.5	4.6	3.2	81.4	81.5	9.2	9.3
Australia	76.9	77.2	662.3	593.2	11.7	4.3	3.9	80.5	80.4	10.2	8.7

Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, Detailed,seasonally adjusted data & MRM2 (modelled estimates), 3MA (month average) of estimates, November-25, with the exception of youth unemployment rate which uses MRM2 12MA and seasonally adjusted data.

Working age employment rate (%)

Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, MRM2 (modelled estimates), 3MA, November-25

Largest employing industries

Industry	Aug-25	Aug-24
Health Care and Social Assistance	15.0%	15.7%
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	10.5%	10.5%
Construction	9.7%	9.9%
Retail Trade	8.5%	8.6%
Mining	8.4%	8.5%

Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, August-25 quarter#

Unemployment rate

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

Job seeker income support payments*

Change in job seeker income support payments

	Perth - North	Western Australia
Payments - November 2024	31,805	101,150
Payments - November 2025	34,460	109,205
Change from November 2024 to November 2025	⬆ 2,655	⬆ 8,055
	⬆ 8.3%	⬆ 8.0%

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

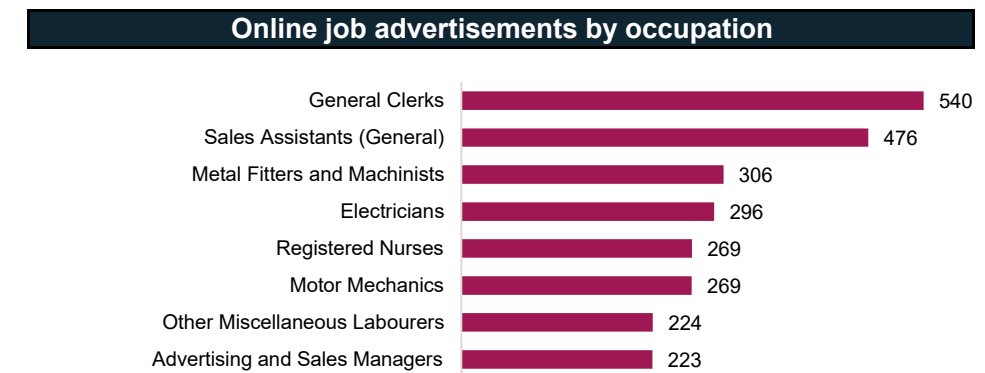|	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
Perth - North	34,460	4.3%
Western Australia	109,205	5.4%
Australia	999,280	5.5%

Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker and Youth Allowance (other) payment recipients, November-25; ABS, Labour Force Survey, MRM2, 3MA, November-25

LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

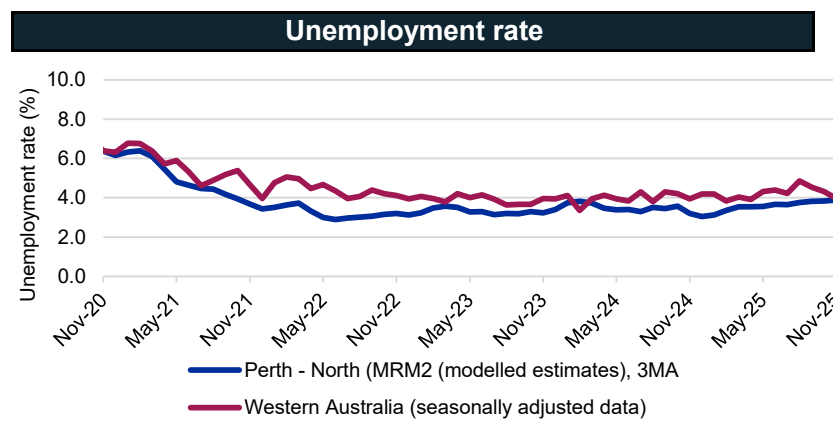| Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-25	Jun-24
Perth	5.4	4.3
Wanneroo	4.7	5.0
Swan	4.3	4.0
Vincent	3.9	2.7
Bassendean	3.8	3.7

For more insights, access SALM data via dewr.gov.au. Source: Deparment of Employment and Workplace Relations, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, June-25 quarter
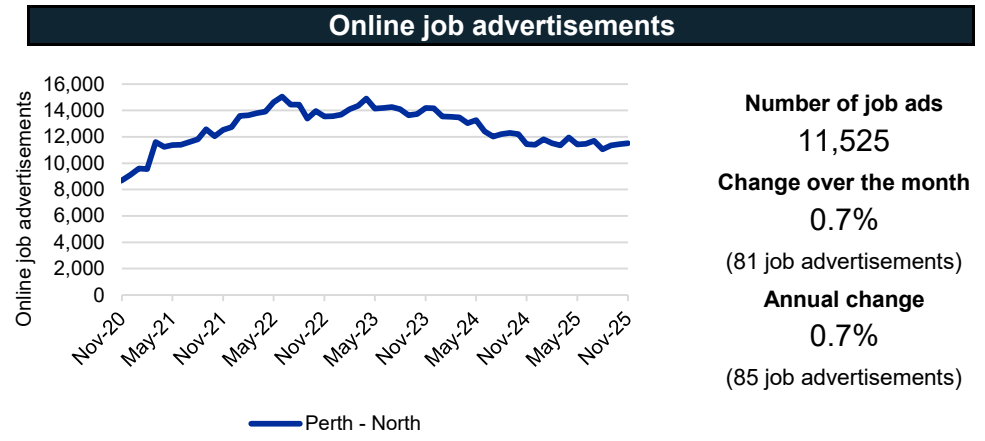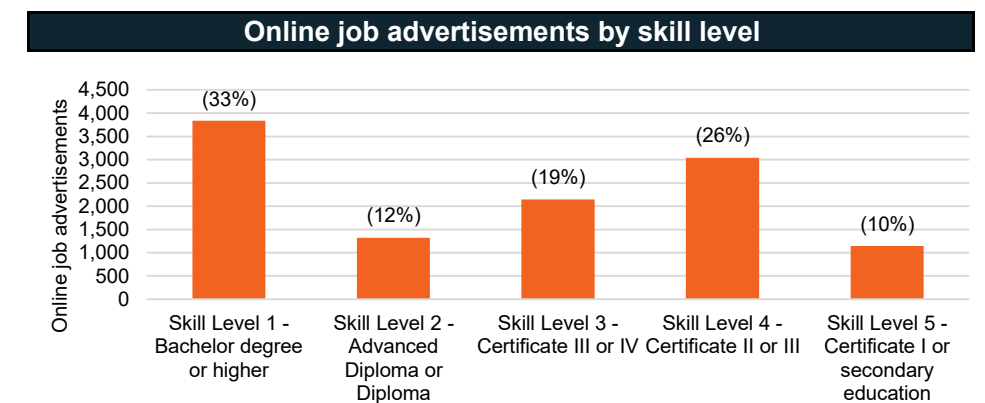
Online job advertisements

Number of job ads
11,525

Change over the month
0.7%
(81 job advertisements)

Annual change
0.7%
(85 job advertisements)

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

Online job advertisements by occupation

Occupation	Ads
General Clerks	540
Sales Assistants (General)	476
Metal Fitters and Machinists	306
Electricians	296
Registered Nurses	269
Motor Mechanics	269
Other Miscellaneous Labourers	224
Advertising and Sales Managers	223

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

Online job advertisements by skill level

Skill Level	%
Skill Level 1 - Bachelor degree or higher	(33%)
Skill Level 2 - Advanced Diploma or Diploma	(12%)
Skill Level 3 - Certificate III or IV	(19%)
Skill Level 4 - Certificate II or III	(26%)
Skill Level 5 - Certificate I or secondary education	(10%)

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

Note: Data are not readily available by Employment Region. ABS modelled estimates are based on the Perth - Inner; Perth - North East; and Perth - North West SA4. 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 and those who are suspended from payment for Youth Allowance. Note that not everyone in receipt of income support is on the caseload. Data are published on data.gov.au.
#Given the volatility of the underlying data, industry employment porportions should be treated with a high degree of caution, particularly change over the year figures.