



Industry profile

New South Wales

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Overview

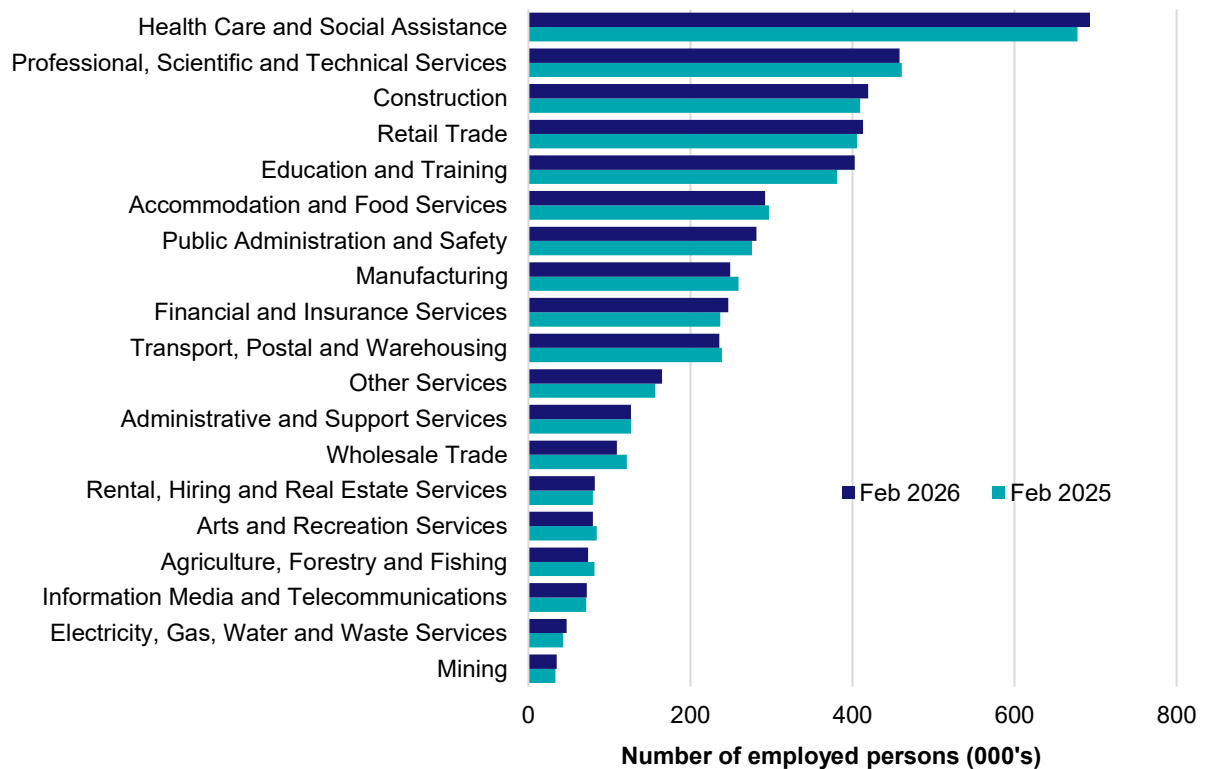
In February 2026, there were around 4,481,200 people employed in New South Wales. The 5 largest employing industries in New South Wales were Health Care and Social Assistance, Professional, Scientific and Technical Services, Construction, Retail Trade and Education and Training. Together these 5 industries accounted for 53% of all employment.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Health Care and Social Assistance rose by 2.3% to stand at 693,300
- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services fell by 0.6% to stand at 458,200
- Construction rose by 2.4% to stand at 419,300.

In Health Care and Social Assistance in New South Wales, 59% of workers were employed full-time; 75% were Female; and the median age of the workforce was 42. Around 64% of employed persons in this industry were located in Greater Sydney.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025

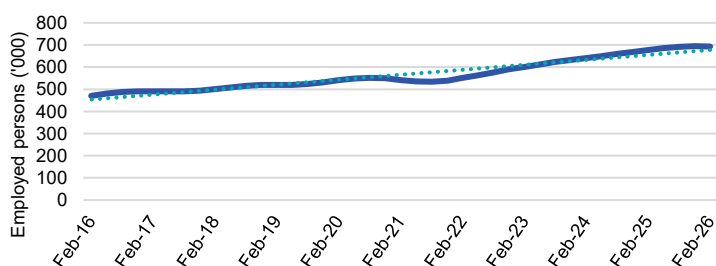


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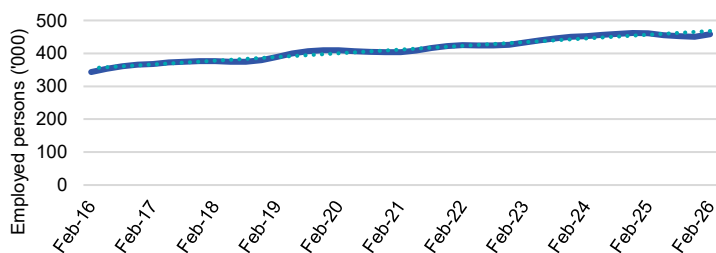
Five largest employing industries: key statistics

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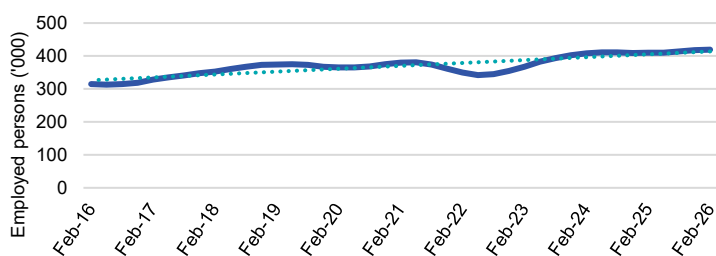
Number employed (Feb-26):	693,300
1 year employment change:	2.3%
5 year employment change:	28.0%
10 year employment change:	47.3%
Youth share of employment:	11.0%
Mature age share of employment:	17.5%

Professional, Scientific and Technical Services



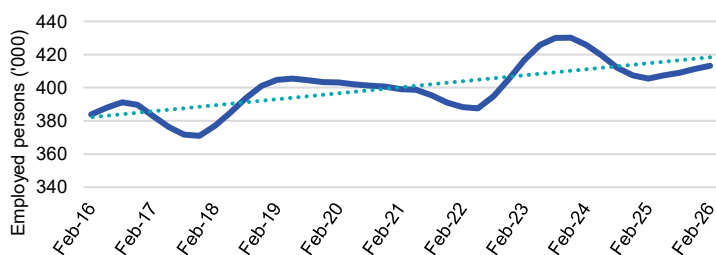
Number employed (Feb-26):	458,200
1 year employment change:	-0.6%
5 year employment change:	13.5%
10 year employment change:	33.5%
Youth share of employment:	5.6%
Mature age share of employment:	8.0%

Construction



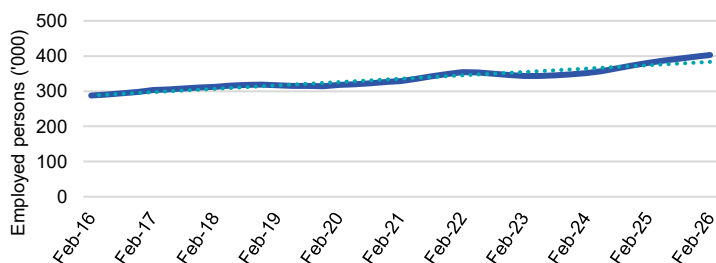
Number employed (Feb-26):	419,300
1 year employment change:	2.4%
5 year employment change:	10.2%
10 year employment change:	33.3%
Youth share of employment:	10.4%
Mature age share of employment:	7.5%

Retail Trade



Number employed (Feb-26):	413,100
1 year employment change:	1.9%
5 year employment change:	3.5%
10 year employment change:	7.6%
Youth share of employment:	19.2%
Mature age share of employment:	7.6%

Education and Training



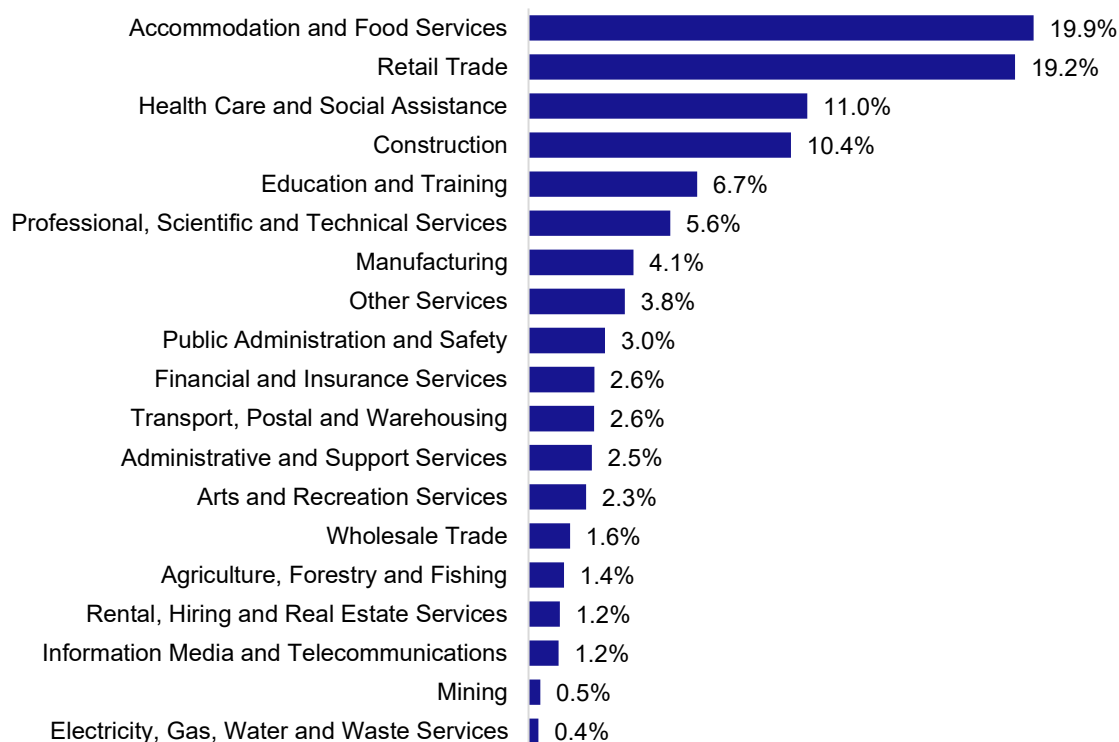
Number employed (Feb-26):	402,900
1 year employment change:	5.8%
5 year employment change:	22.6%
10 year employment change:	40.0%
Youth share of employment:	6.7%
Mature age share of employment:	10.4%

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Employment characteristics by Industry

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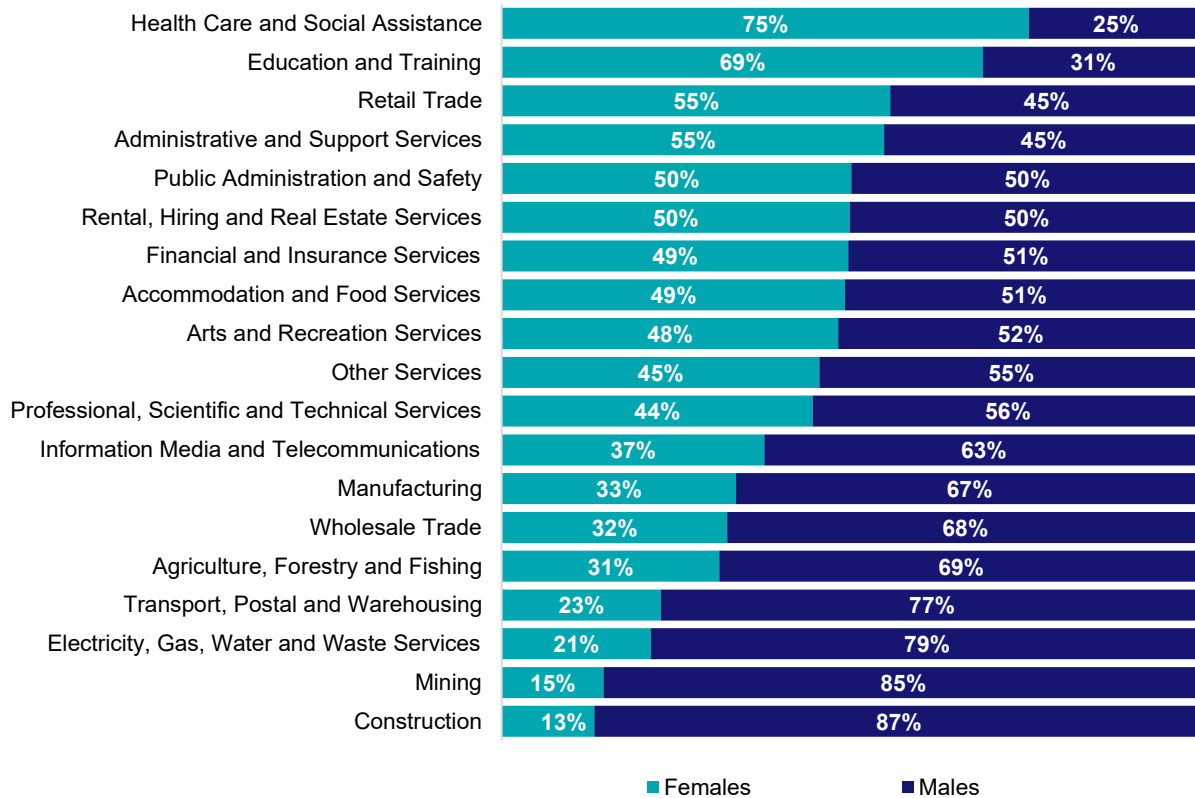
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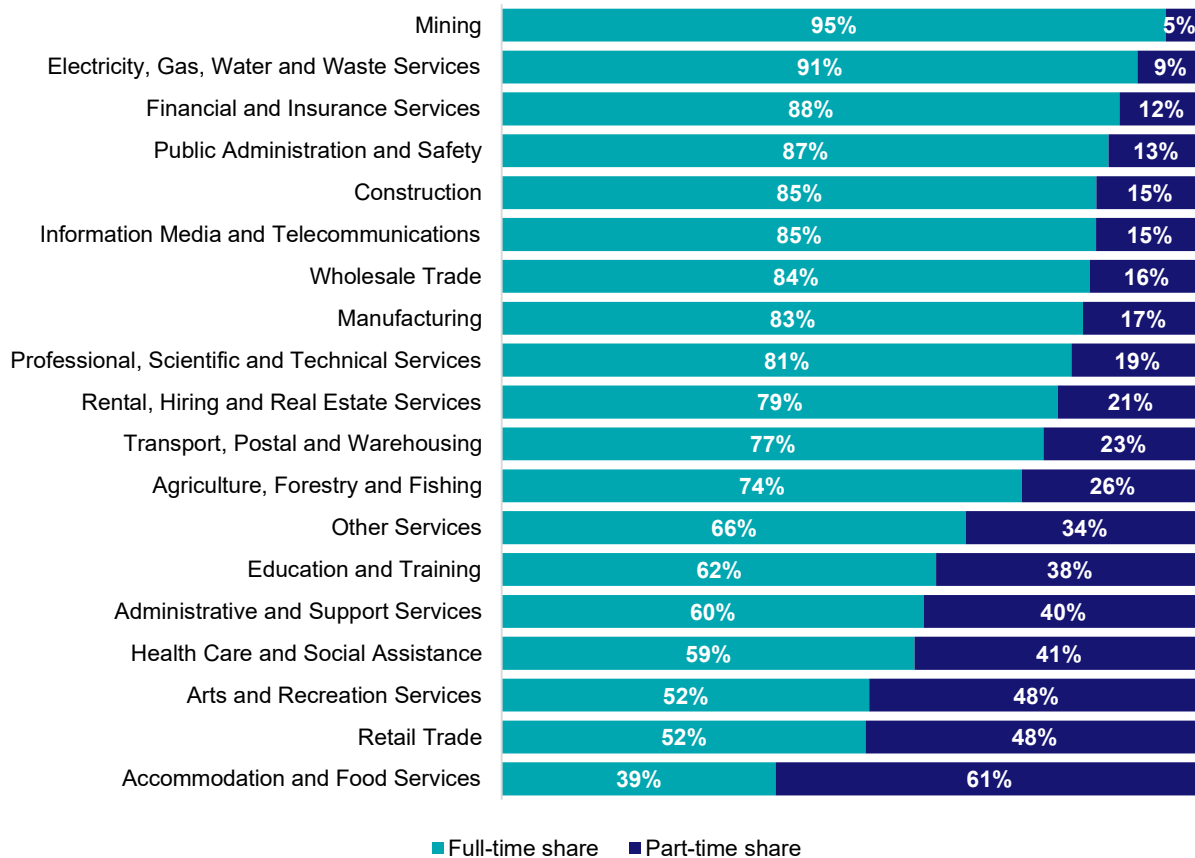
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Gender share by industry



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Full-time and part-time employment status by industry



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Employment by industry, New South Wales, February 2026

Industry (in order of size)	Share of emp't Feb-26 (%)	Share of emp't in Greater Sydney (%)	Share of emp't in Rest of NSW (%)	Employed ('000)			1 year change		5 year change		Median age *
				Feb-26	Feb-25	Feb-21	('000)	%	('000)	%	
Health Care and Social Assistance	15.5	63.7	36.3	693.3	677.9	541.5	15.3	2.3	151.7	28.0	42
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	10.2	82.3	17.7	458.2	460.8	403.7	-2.6	-0.6	54.5	13.5	39
Construction	9.4	67.1	32.9	419.3	409.6	380.4	9.7	2.4	38.9	10.2	38
Retail Trade	9.2	65.3	34.7	413.1	405.5	399.1	7.6	1.9	14.0	3.5	35
Education and Training	9.0	65.4	34.6	402.9	380.9	328.7	21.9	5.8	74.2	22.6	43
Accommodation and Food Services	6.5	64.6	35.4	292.0	296.8	261.0	-4.8	-1.6	31.0	11.9	28
Public Administration and Safety	6.3	60.7	39.3	281.3	276.1	241.3	5.2	1.9	39.9	16.6	43
Manufacturing	5.6	69.9	30.1	249.0	259.2	251.2	-10.2	-4.0	-2.3	-0.9	44
Financial and Insurance Services	5.5	87.7	12.3	246.6	236.7	204.6	9.9	4.2	42.0	20.5	40
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	5.3	76.4	23.6	235.7	238.9	202.2	-3.1	-1.3	33.5	16.6	45
Other Services	3.7	65.1	34.9	165.0	156.7	141.0	8.3	5.3	24.0	17.0	40
Administrative and Support Services	2.8	71.8	28.2	126.8	126.6	136.2	0.2	0.1	-9.4	-6.9	42
Wholesale Trade	2.4	77.9	22.1	109.1	121.5	124.7	-12.4	-10.2	-15.6	-12.5	43
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	1.8	73.6	26.4	81.8	79.7	63.5	2.1	2.6	18.4	28.9	41
Arts and Recreation Services	1.8	67.7	32.3	79.4	84.4	62.6	-5.0	-5.9	16.8	26.8	36
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	1.6	12.7	87.3	73.7	81.4	85.2	-7.8	-9.5	-11.6	-13.6	51
Information Media and Telecommunications	1.6	82.4	17.6	72.1	71.4	79.7	0.7	0.9	-7.6	-9.6	40
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.0	60.3	39.7	47.0	42.8	41.6	4.2	9.8	5.4	12.9	44
Mining	0.8	11.2	88.8	35.1	33.3	36.6	1.8	5.4	-1.5	-4.1	41
All Industries	100.0	68.3	31.7	4481.2	4440.3	3984.9	40.9	0.9	496.3	12.5	40

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, February 2026, four quarter averages. *Median age is from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.



Employment Region Industry profile

Central West Employment Region

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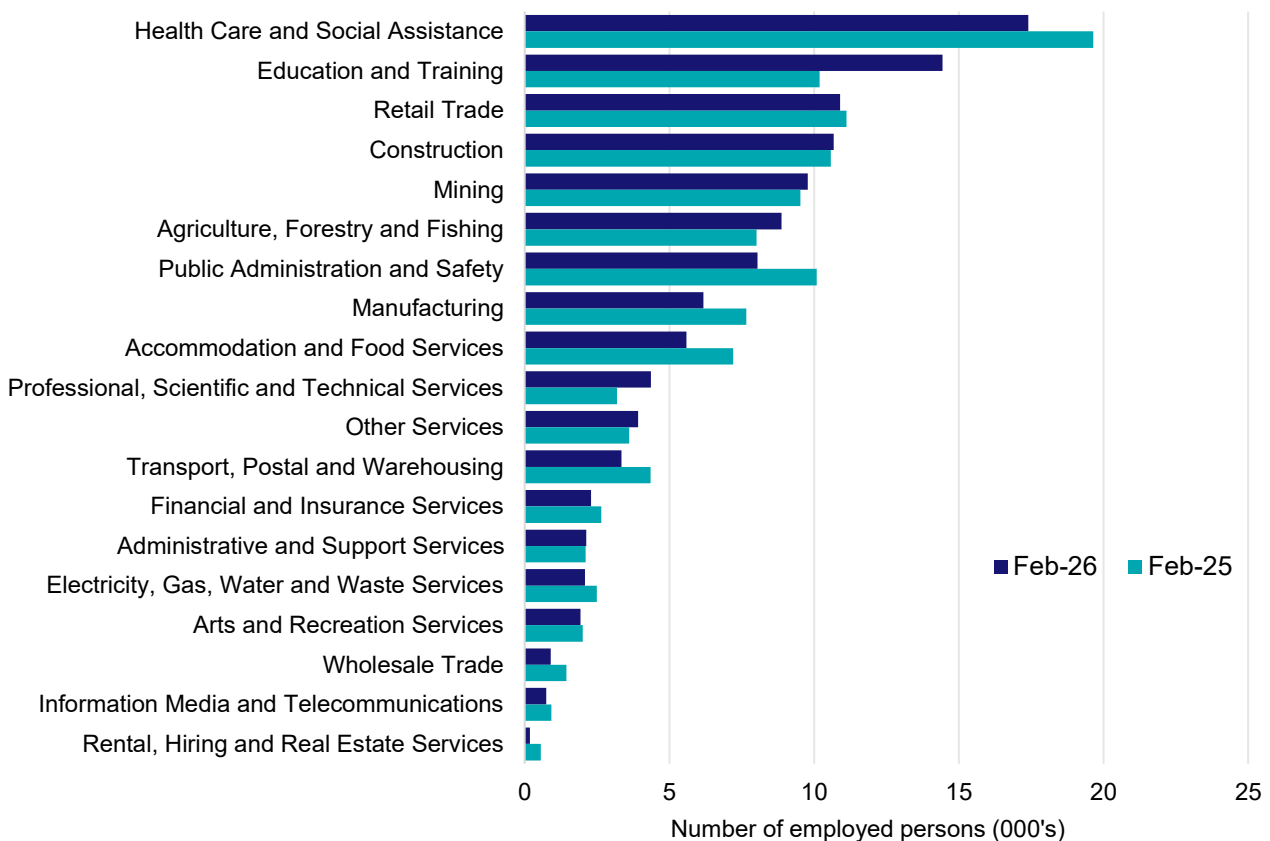
In February 2026, there were around 113,800 people employed in the Central West Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Health Care and Social Assistance, Education and Training, Retail Trade, Construction, and Mining. Together these 5 industries accounted for 56% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Health Care and Social Assistance fell by 11.4% to stand at 17,400
- Education and Training rose by 41.7% to stand at 14,400
- Retail Trade fell by 1.9% to stand at 10,900.

In Health Care and Social Assistance in the Central West Employment Region, 57% of workers were employed full-time; 82% were female; and the median age of the workforce was 43.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025



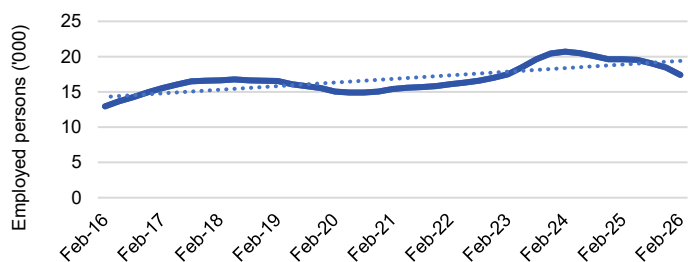
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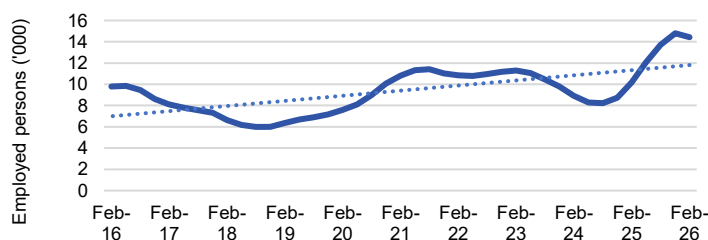
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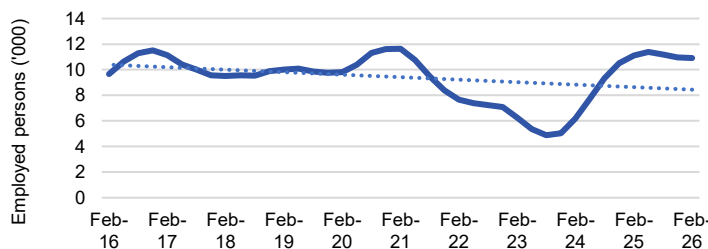
Number employed (Feb-26):	17,400
1 year employment change:	-11.4%
5 year employment change:	13.1%
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Youth share of employment:	11.4%
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Education and Training



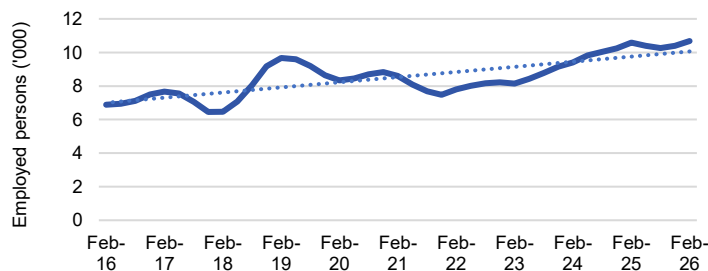
Number employed (Feb-26):	14,400
1 year employment change:	41.7%
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Youth share of employment:	5.6%
Mature age share of employment:	9.5%

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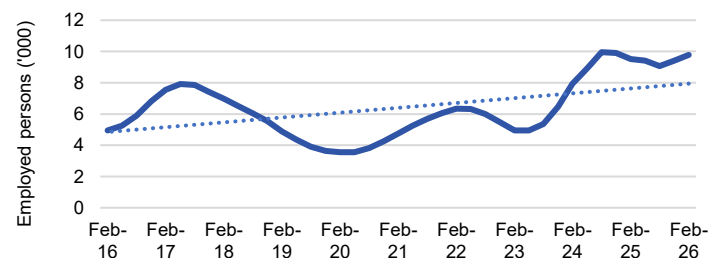
Number employed (Feb-26):	10,900
1 year employment change:	-1.9%
5 year employment change:	-6.3%
10 year employment change:	12.9%
Youth share of employment:	18.5%
Mature age share of employment:	7.1%

Construction



Number employed (Feb-26):	10,700
1 year employment change:	1.0%
5 year employment change:	24.2%
10 year employment change:	55.2%
Youth share of employment:	10.9%
Mature age share of employment:	6.5%

Mining



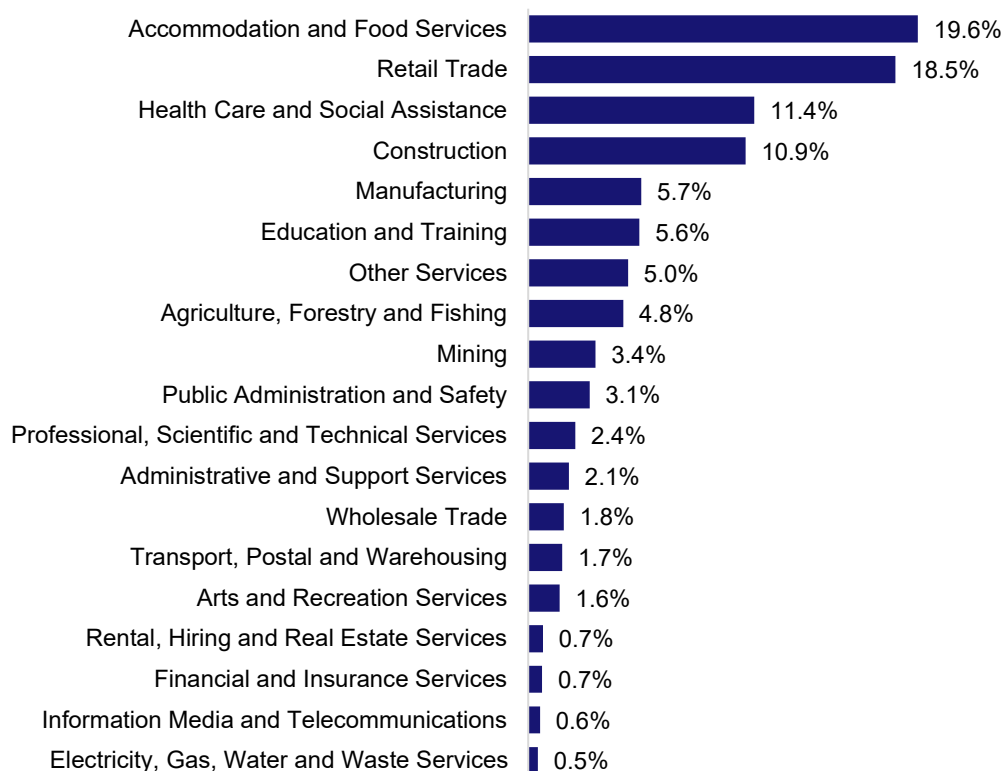
Number employed (Feb-26):	9,800
1 year employment change:	2.8%
5 year employment change:	106.8%
10 year employment change:	97.9%
Youth share of employment:	3.4%
Mature age share of employment:	3.6%

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026, except youth and mature age data which are from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.

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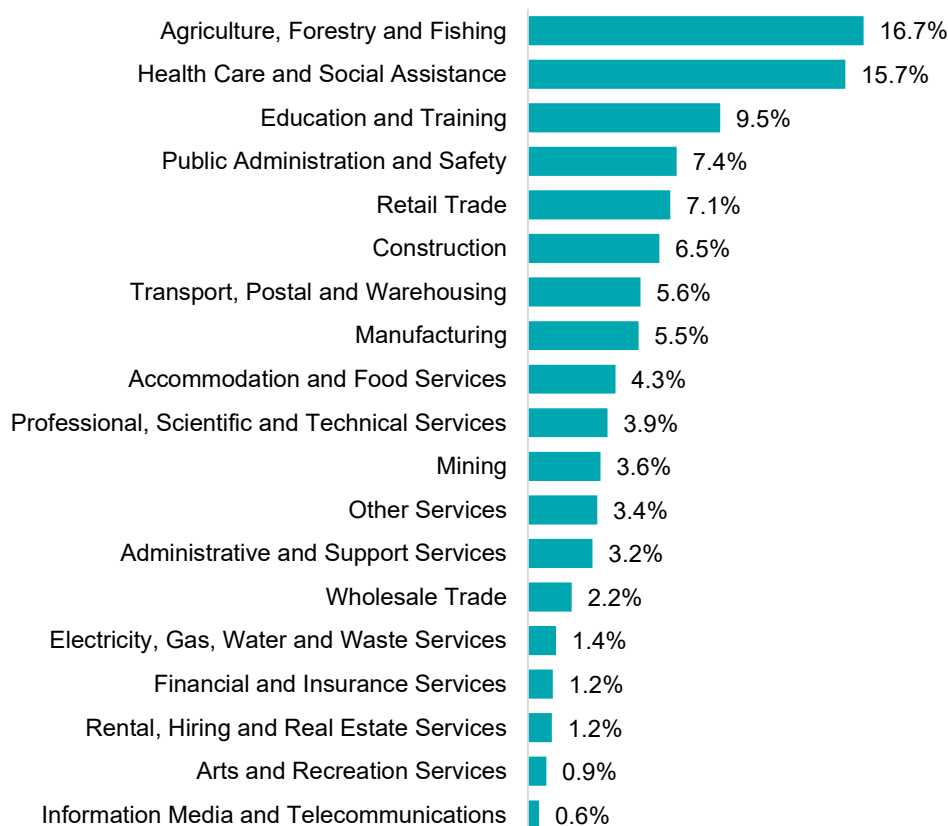
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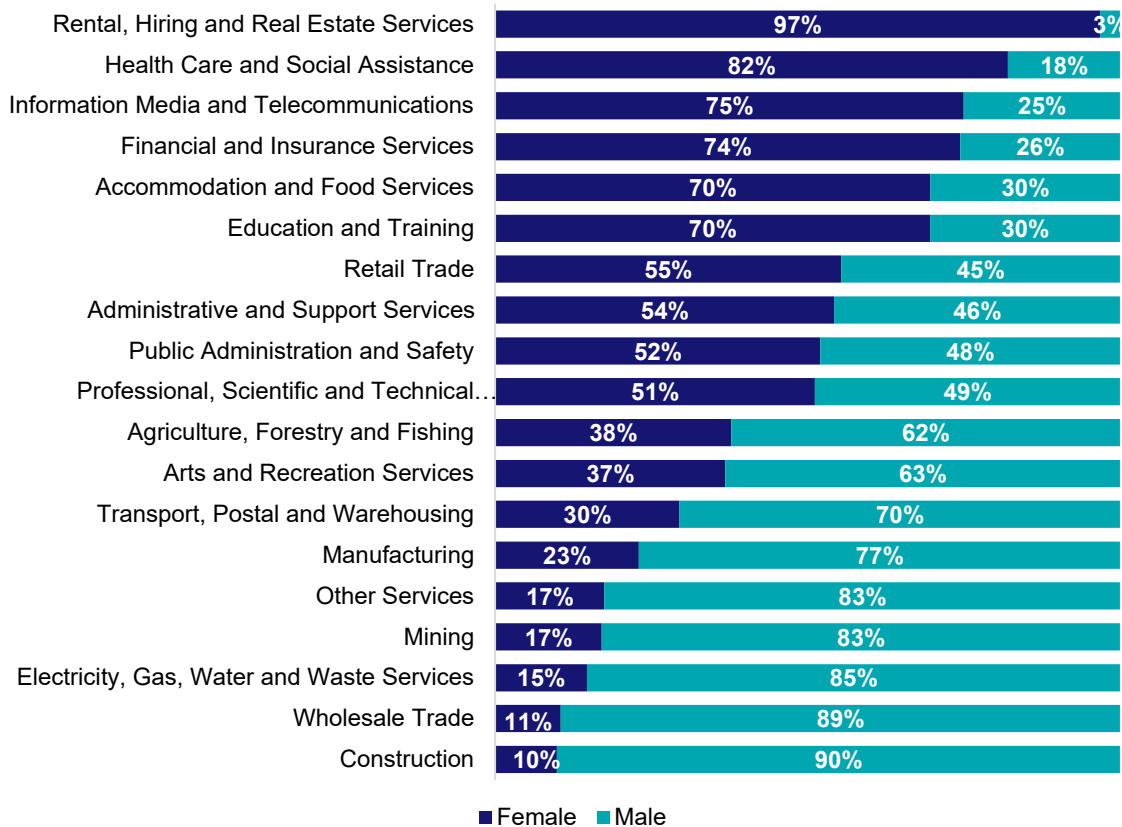
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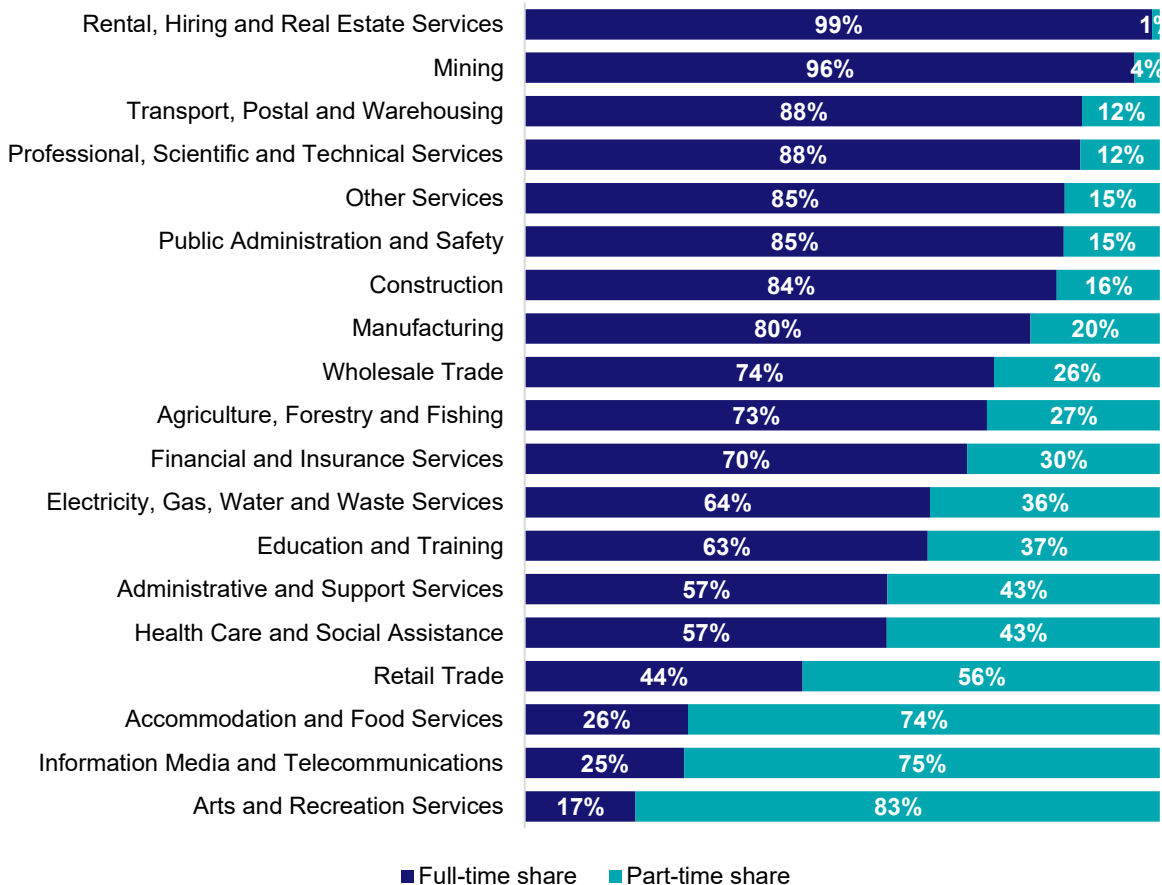
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Gender share by industry



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Full-time and part-time employment status by industry



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Industry (in order of size)	Share of employment in the region Feb-26 (%)	Employed ('000)			Full-time share %	Part-time share %	Median age *
		Feb-26	Feb-25	Feb-21			
Health Care and Social Assistance	15.3	17.4	19.6	15.4	57.0	43.0	43
Education and Training	12.7	14.4	10.2	10.8	63.5	36.5	45
Retail Trade	9.6	10.9	11.1	11.6	43.8	56.2	35
Construction	9.4	10.7	10.6	8.6	83.8	16.2	38
Mining	8.6	9.8	9.5	4.7	96.1	3.9	39
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	7.8	8.9	8.0	17.3	72.8	27.2	53
Public Administration and Safety	7.1	8.1	10.1	7.3	84.9	15.1	46
Manufacturing	5.4	6.2	7.7	8.1	79.6	20.4	42
Accommodation and Food Services	4.9	5.6	7.2	7.1	25.7	74.3	28
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	3.8	4.4	3.2	3.8	87.5	12.5	43
Other Services	3.4	3.9	3.6	2.2	85.1	14.9	38
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	2.9	3.3	4.4	5.1	87.8	12.2	49
Financial and Insurance Services	2.0	2.3	2.6	1.2	69.7	30.3	44
Administrative and Support Services	1.9	2.1	2.1	2.8	57.1	42.9	45
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.8	2.1	2.5	2.3	63.8	36.2	49
Arts and Recreation Services	1.7	1.9	2.0	0.3	17.4	82.6	35
Wholesale Trade	0.8	0.9	1.4	2.7	73.9	26.1	44
Information Media and Telecommunications	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.4	25.1	74.9	38
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.9	98.8	1.2	47
All industries	100.0	113.8	117.3	112.7	68.1	31.9	42

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Note: Small cells should be viewed with caution due to small sample sizes and regional volatility.



Employment Region Industry profile

Far West Orana Employment Region

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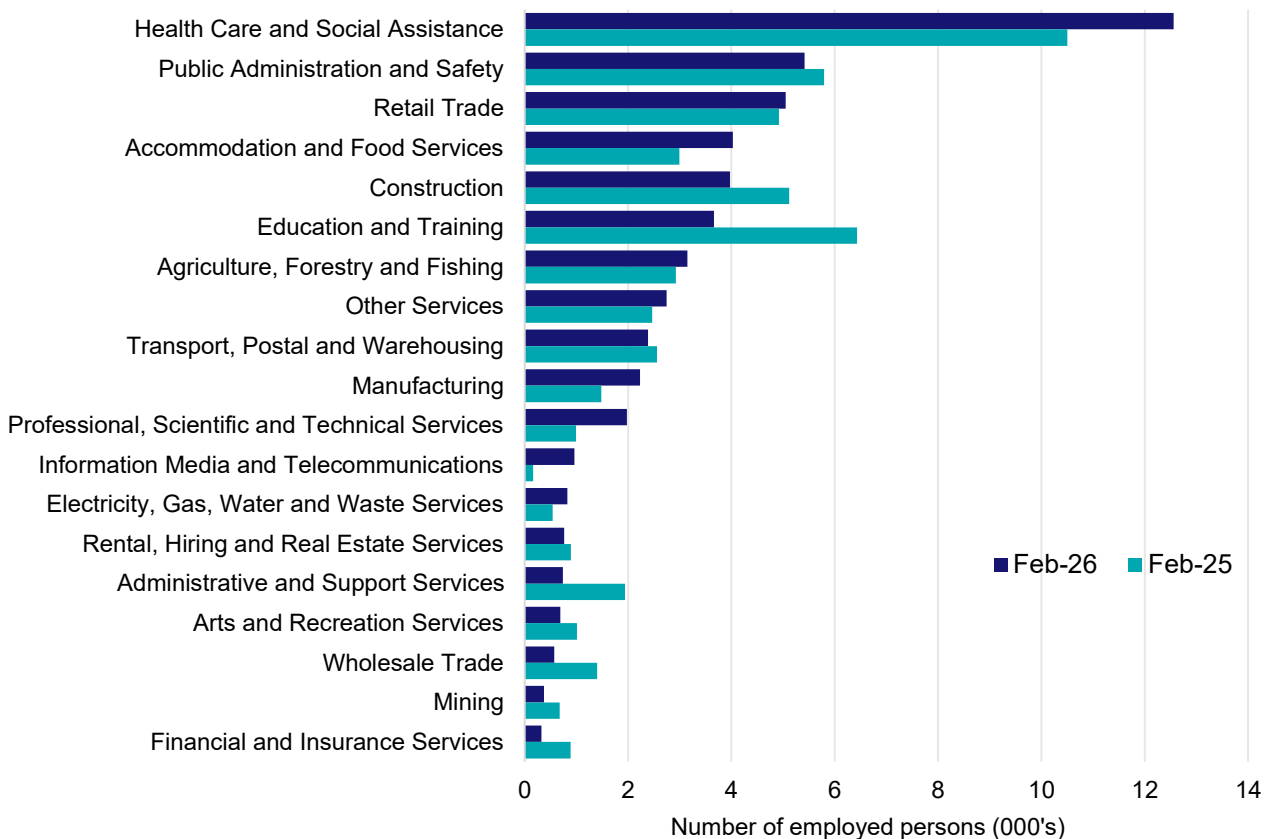
In February 2026, there were around 52,400 people employed in the Far West Orana Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Health Care and Social Assistance, Public Administration and Safety, Retail Trade, Accommodation and Food Services, and Construction. Together these 5 industries accounted for 59% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Health Care and Social Assistance rose by 19.6% to stand at 12,600
- Public Administration and Safety fell by 6.5% to stand at 5,400
- Retail Trade rose by 2.7% to stand at 5,100.

In Health Care and Social Assistance in the Far West Orana Employment Region, 55% of workers were employed full-time; 82% were female; and the median age of the workforce was 41.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025



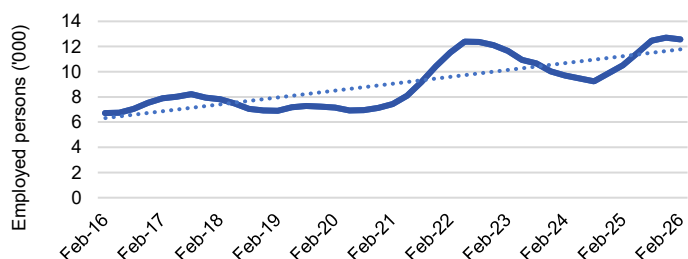
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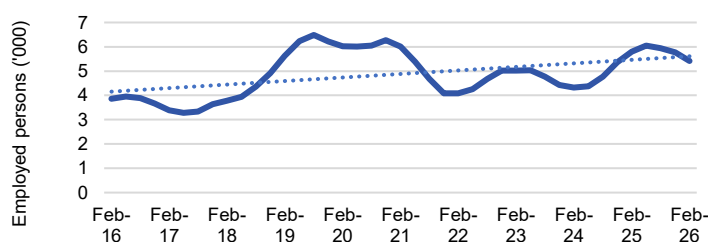
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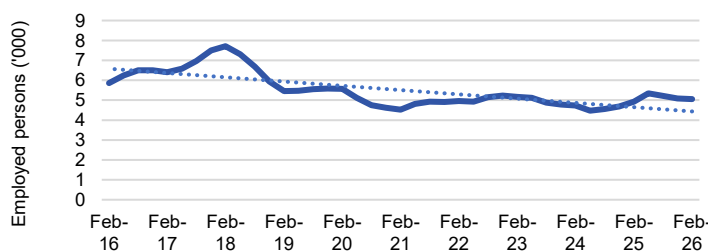
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Public Administration and Safety



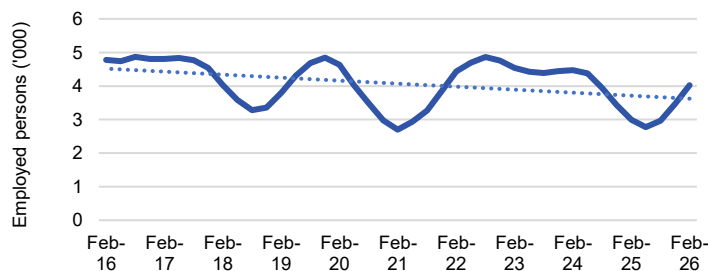
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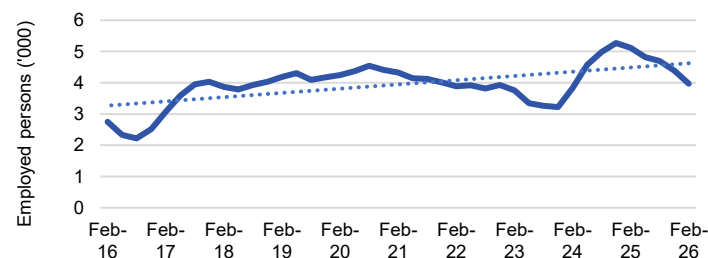
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Accommodation and Food Services



Number employed (Feb-26):	4,000
1 year employment change:	34.5%
5 year employment change:	49.2%
10 year employment change:	-15.8%
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Construction



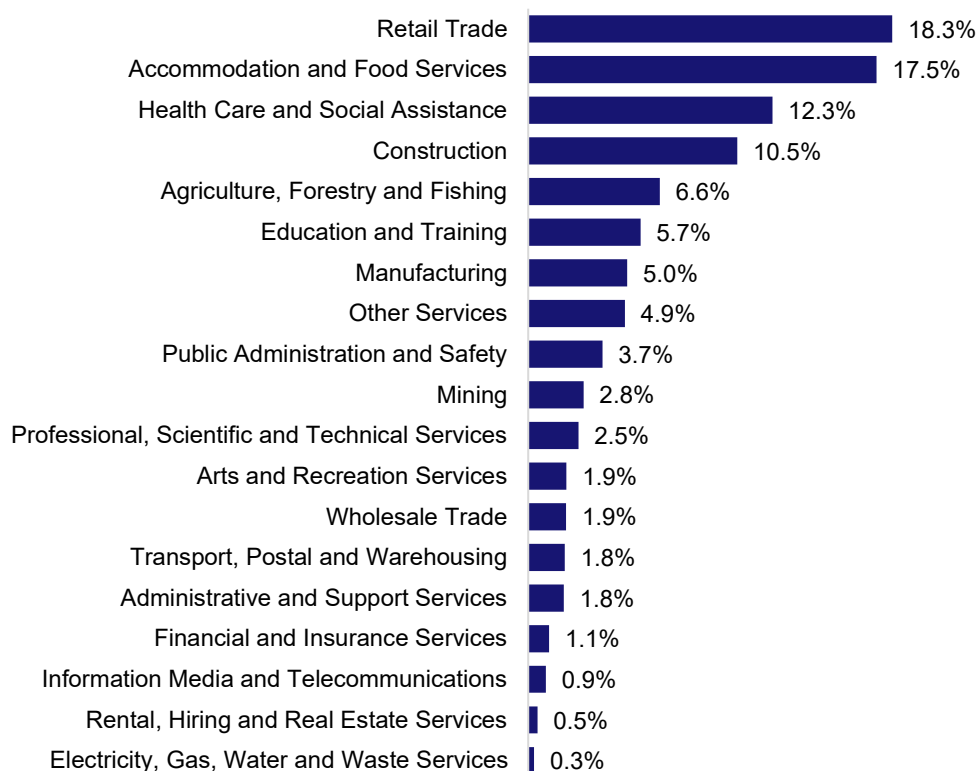
Number employed (Feb-26):	4,000
1 year employment change:	-22.4%
5 year employment change:	-8.2%
10 year employment change:	44.3%
Youth share of employment:	10.5%
Mature age share of employment:	6.2%

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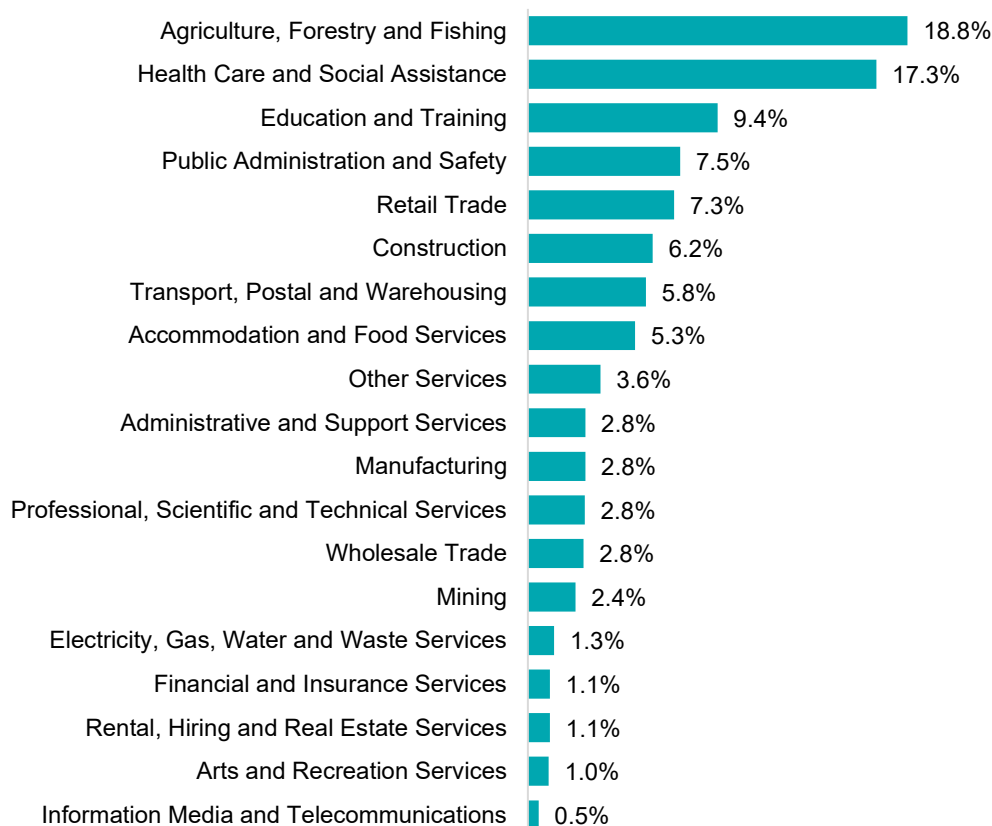
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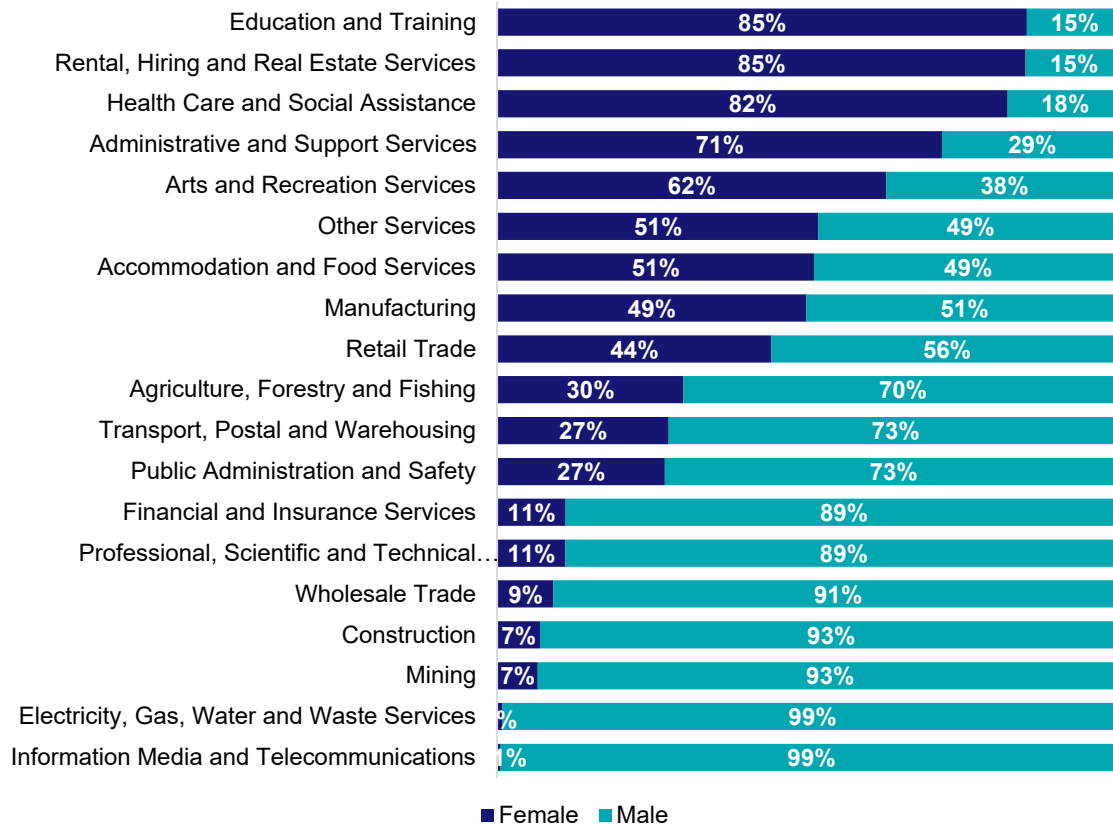
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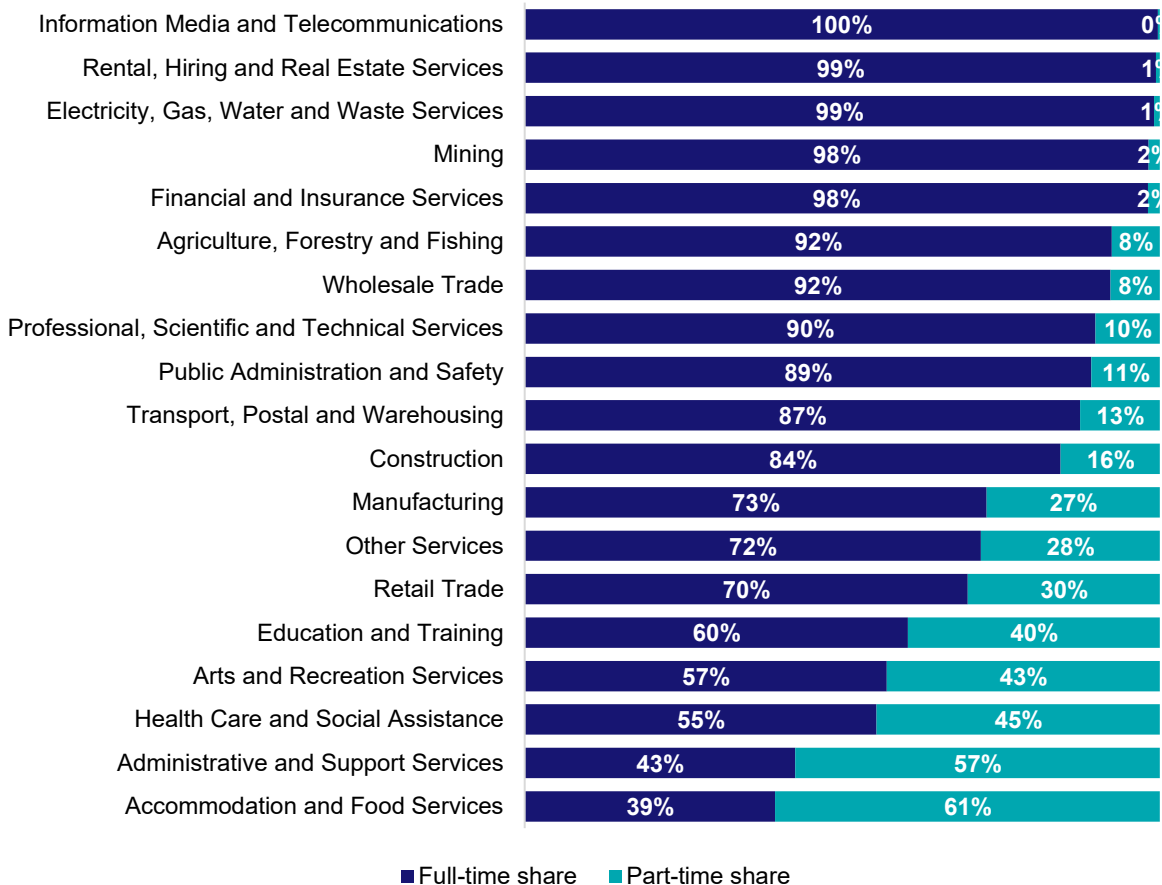
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Public Administration and Safety	10.3	5.4	5.8	6.0	89.2	10.8	45
Retail Trade	9.6	5.1	4.9	4.5	69.8	30.2	35
Accommodation and Food Services	7.7	4.0	3.0	2.7	39.4	60.6	31
Construction	7.6	4.0	5.1	4.3	84.4	15.6	36
Education and Training	7.0	3.7	6.4	5.9	60.3	39.7	42
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	6.0	3.1	2.9	5.3	92.4	7.6	53
Other Services	5.2	2.7	2.5	2.2	71.8	28.2	38
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	4.5	2.4	2.6	2.2	87.5	12.5	50
Manufacturing	4.3	2.2	1.5	2.2	72.7	27.3	36
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	3.8	2.0	1.0	2.1	89.9	10.1	39
Information Media and Telecommunications	1.8	1.0	0.2	0.3	99.7	0.3	41
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.6	0.8	0.5	0.5	99.1	0.9	42
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	1.5	0.8	0.9	1.2	99.4	0.6	39
Administrative and Support Services	1.4	0.7	1.9	1.2	42.6	57.4	44
Arts and Recreation Services	1.3	0.7	1.0	0.8	57.0	43.0	35
Wholesale Trade	1.1	0.6	1.4	0.7	92.3	7.7	45
Mining	0.7	0.4	0.7	3.3	98.2	1.8	39
Financial and Insurance Services	0.6	0.3	0.9	0.1	98.2	1.8	40
All industries	100.0	52.4	53.7	53.0	71.1	28.9	41

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026. *Median age is from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021. Median age has been derived using aggregated SA2s for the Employment Region.

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Employment Region Industry profile

Hunter Employment Region

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Overview

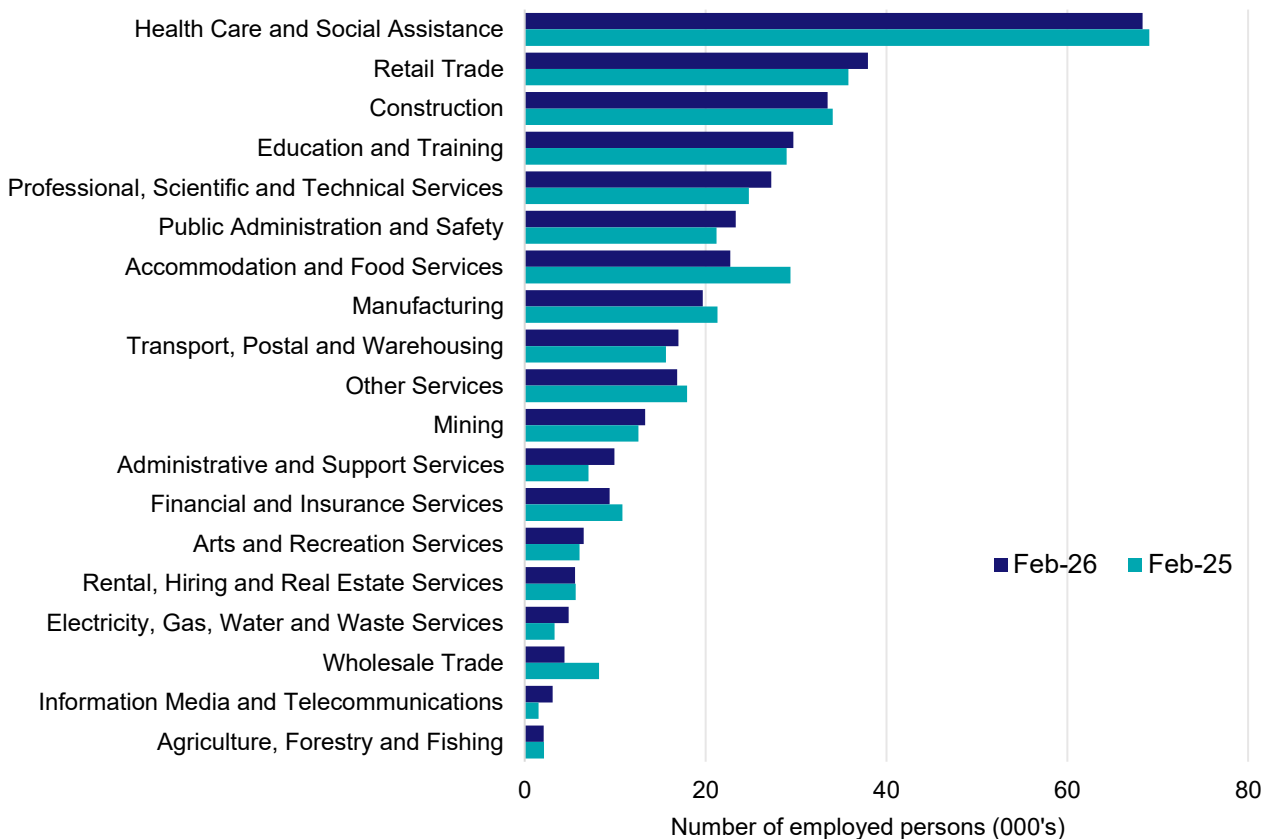
In February 2026, there were around 355,600 people employed in the Hunter Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Health Care and Social Assistance, Retail Trade, Construction, Education and Training, and Professional, Scientific and Technical Services. Together these 5 industries accounted for 55% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Health Care and Social Assistance fell by 1.1% to stand at 68,300
- Retail Trade rose by 6.0% to stand at 38,000
- Construction fell by 1.7% to stand at 33,500.

In Health Care and Social Assistance in the Hunter Employment Region, 57% of workers were employed full-time; 74% were female; and the median age of the workforce was 41.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025



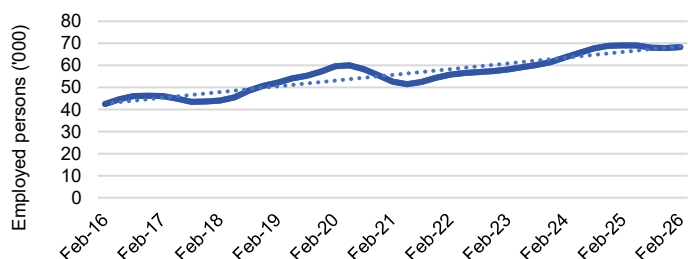
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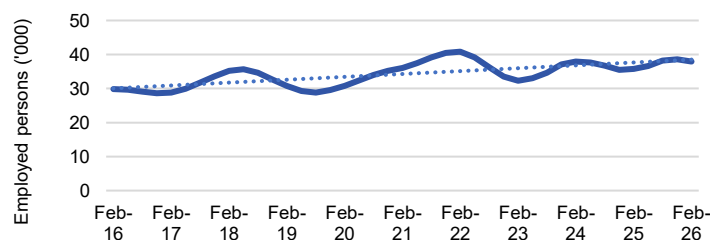
Five largest employing industries: key statistics

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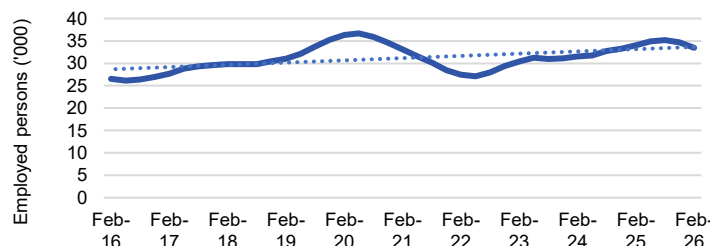
Number employed (Feb-26):	68,300
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5 year employment change:	29.8%
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Youth share of employment:	12.3%
Mature age share of employment:	20.2%

Retail Trade



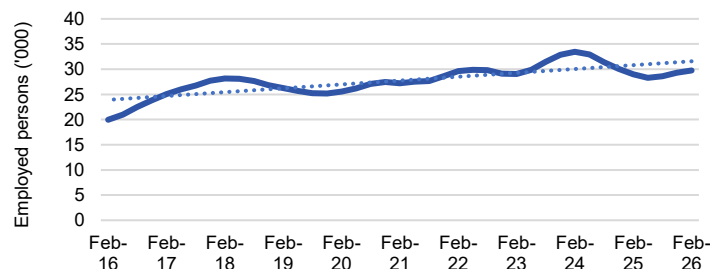
Number employed (Feb-26):	38,000
1 year employment change:	6.0%
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10 year employment change:	27.1%
Youth share of employment:	18.7%
Mature age share of employment:	7.7%

Construction



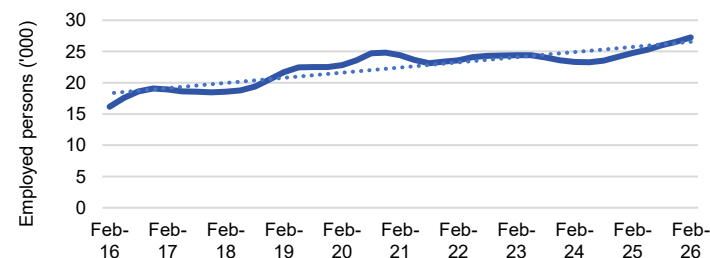
Number employed (Feb-26):	33,500
1 year employment change:	-1.7%
5 year employment change:	1.1%
10 year employment change:	26.1%
Youth share of employment:	10.7%
Mature age share of employment:	8.8%

Education and Training



Number employed (Feb-26):	29,700
1 year employment change:	2.5%
5 year employment change:	9.3%
10 year employment change:	48.9%
Youth share of employment:	5.2%
Mature age share of employment:	10.2%

Professional, Scientific and Technical Services



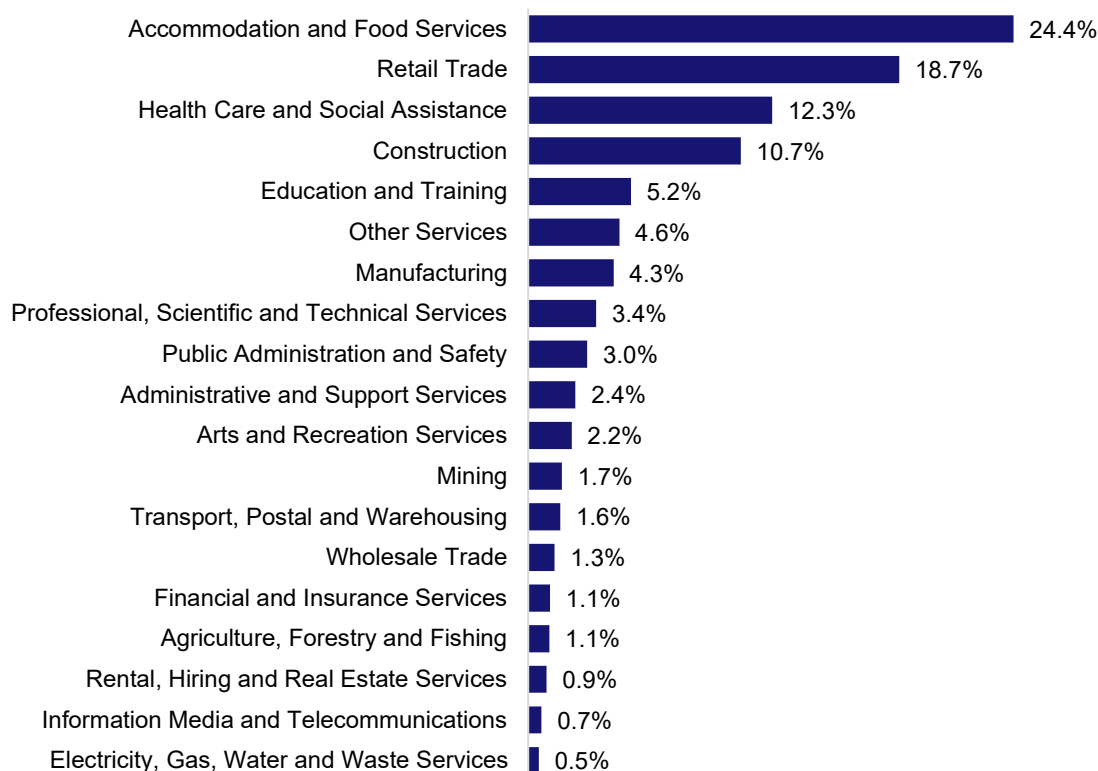
Number employed (Feb-26):	27,300
1 year employment change:	10.0%
5 year employment change:	11.6%
10 year employment change:	68.6%
Youth share of employment:	3.4%
Mature age share of employment:	5.7%

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026, except youth and mature age data which are from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.

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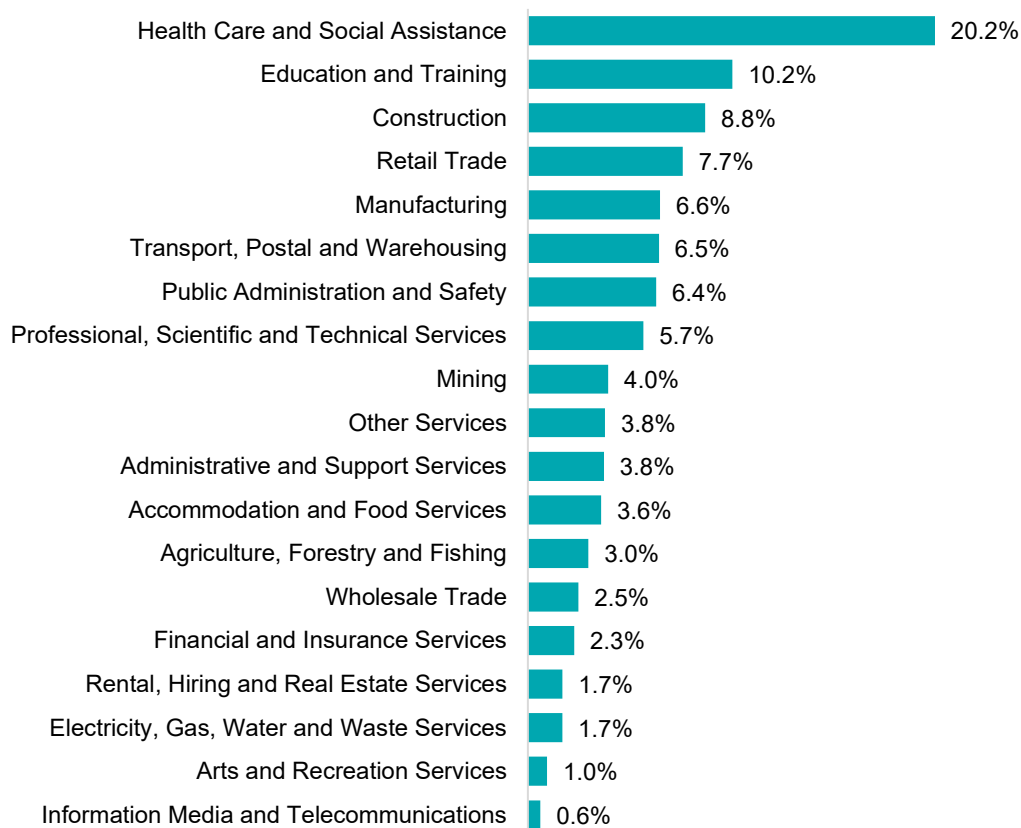
Employment characteristics by Industry

Which industries are youth (aged 15-24) employed in?



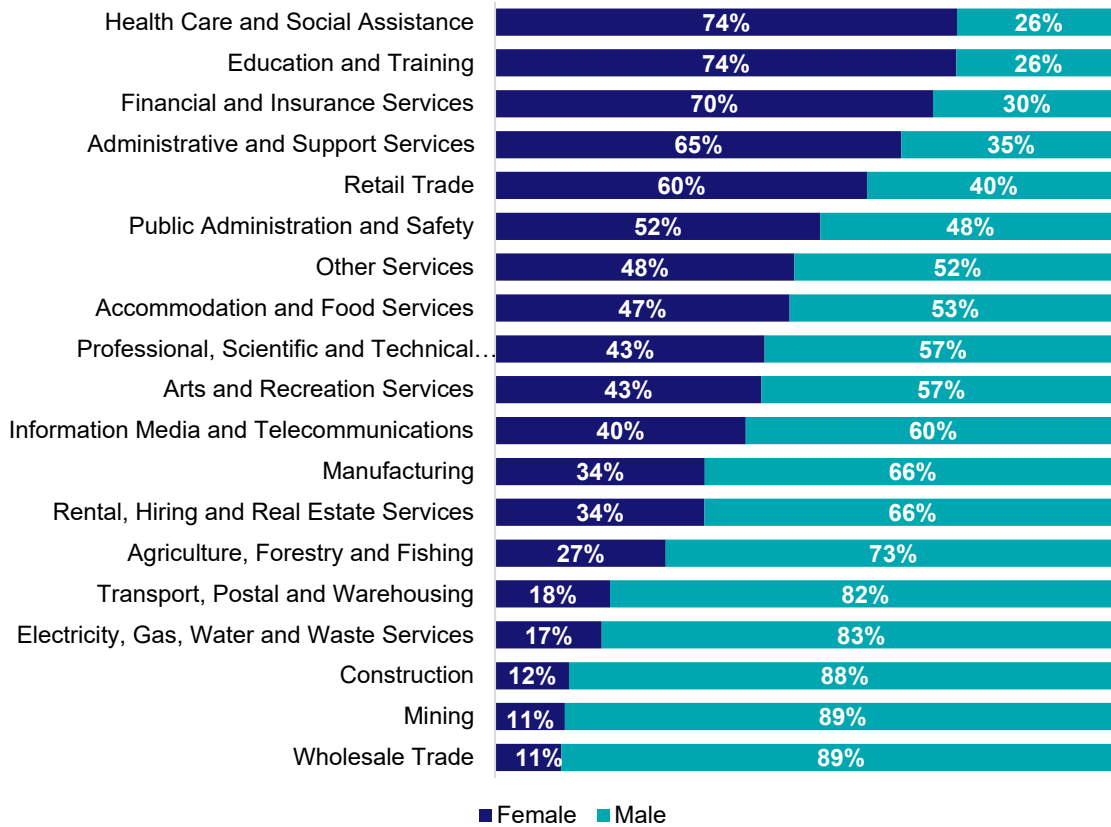
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Which industries are mature age persons (aged 55+) employed in?



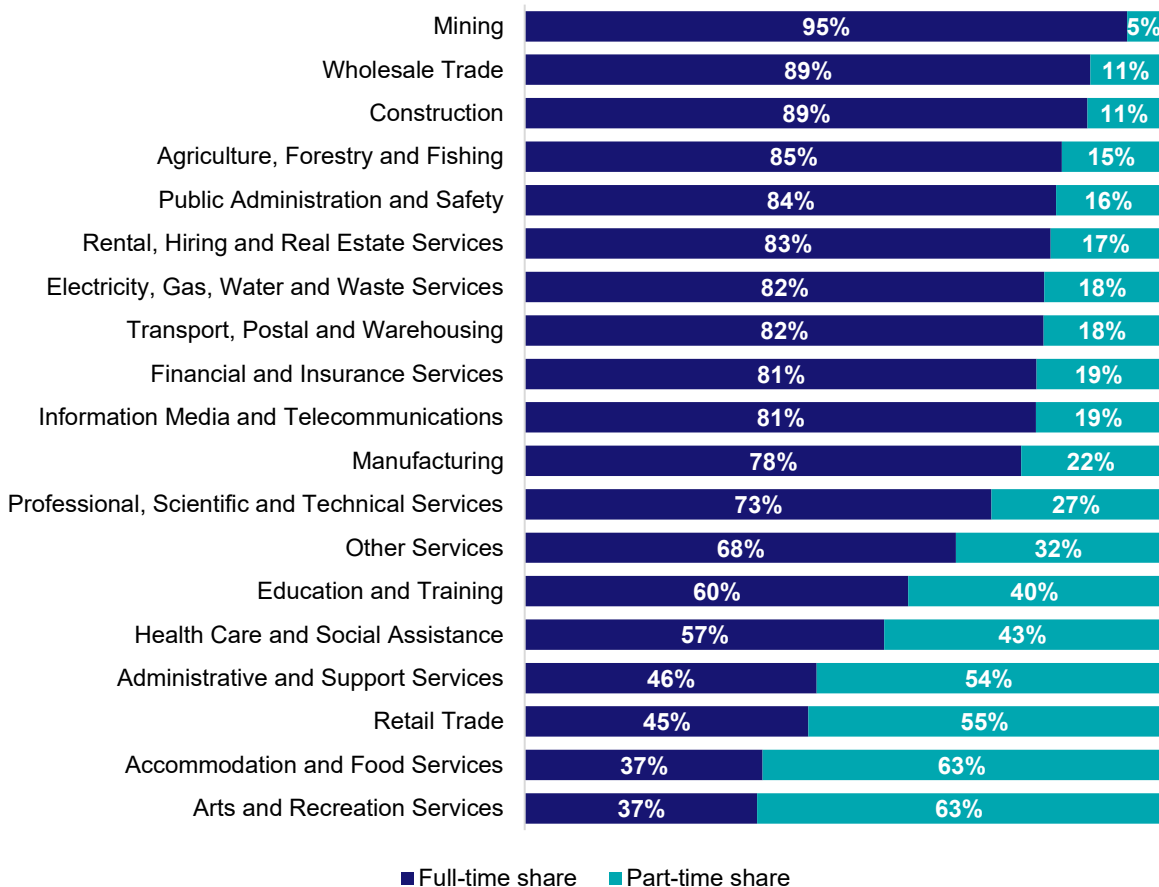
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Gender share by industry



Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026.

Full-time and part-time employment status by industry



Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026.

Appendix

Employment by industry, Hunter, February 2026

Industry (in order of size)	Share of employment in the region Feb-26 (%)	Employed ('000)			Full-time share %	Part-time share %	Median age *
		Feb-26	Feb-25	Feb-21			
Health Care and Social Assistance	19.2	68.3	69.1	52.6	56.6	43.4	41
Retail Trade	10.7	38.0	35.8	36.0	44.7	55.3	33
Construction	9.4	33.5	34.1	33.1	88.6	11.4	37
Education and Training	8.4	29.7	29.0	27.2	60.4	39.6	43
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	7.7	27.3	24.8	24.4	73.5	26.5	40
Public Administration and Safety	6.6	23.3	21.2	22.0	83.7	16.3	43
Accommodation and Food Services	6.4	22.7	29.4	24.1	37.5	62.5	23
Manufacturing	5.5	19.7	21.3	18.3	78.2	21.8	42
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	4.8	17.0	15.6	11.7	81.7	18.3	48
Other Services	4.7	16.9	18.0	12.5	67.9	32.1	37
Mining	3.7	13.3	12.6	15.9	94.9	5.1	41
Administrative and Support Services	2.8	9.9	7.0	11.2	46.0	54.0	41
Financial and Insurance Services	2.6	9.4	10.8	9.0	80.6	19.4	40
Arts and Recreation Services	1.8	6.5	6.1	2.5	36.6	63.4	29
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	1.6	5.6	5.7	3.7	82.9	17.1	42
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.4	4.9	3.3	4.9	81.8	18.2	44
Wholesale Trade	1.2	4.4	8.2	7.3	89.1	10.9	42
Information Media and Telecommunications	0.9	3.1	1.5	2.8	80.5	19.5	38
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	0.6	2.1	2.1	4.0	84.6	15.4	48
All industries	100.0	355.6	355.6	323.4	66.4	33.6	39

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026. *Median age is from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021. Median age has been derived using aggregated SA2s for the Employment Region.

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Employment Region Industry profile

Illawarra South Coast Employment Region

Date of publishing: 15 April 2026

Overview

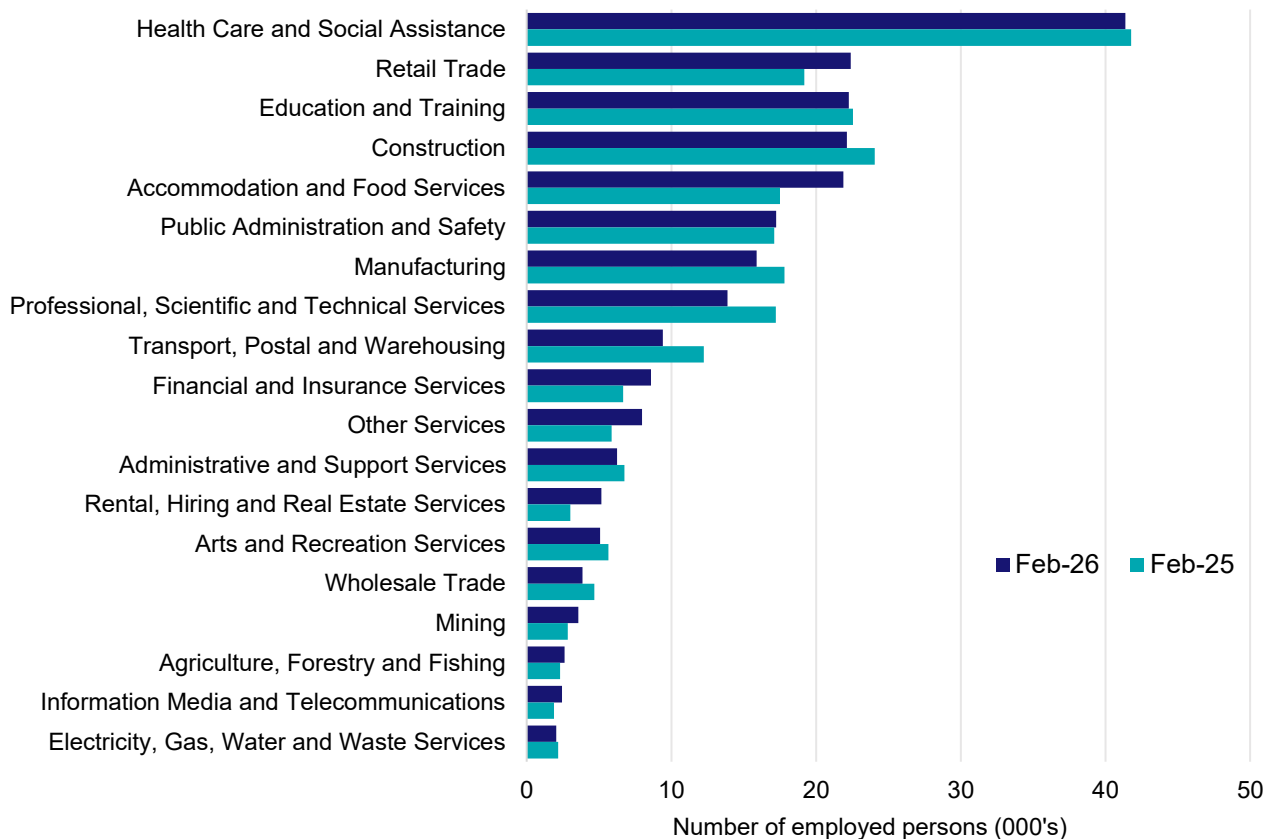
In February 2026, there were around 234,100 people employed in the Illawarra South Coast Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Health Care and Social Assistance, Retail Trade, Education and Training, Construction, and Accommodation and Food Services. Together these 5 industries accounted for 56% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Health Care and Social Assistance fell by 0.9% to stand at 41,400
- Retail Trade rose by 16.7% to stand at 22,400
- Education and Training fell by 1.3% to stand at 22,300.

In Health Care and Social Assistance in the Illawarra South Coast Employment Region, 55% of workers were employed full-time; 83% were female; and the median age of the workforce was 44.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025



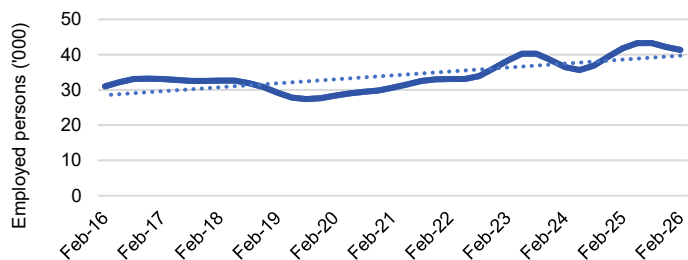
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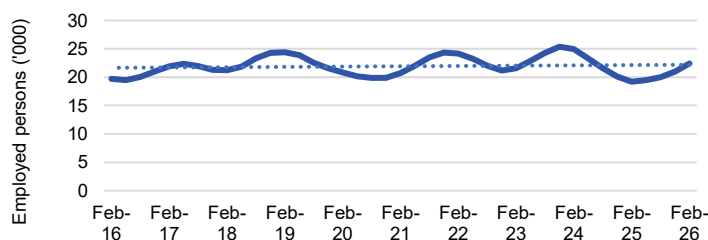
Five largest employing industries: key statistics

Health Care and Social Assistance



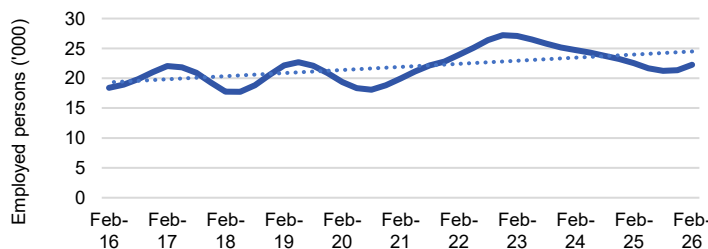
Number employed (Feb-26):	41,400
1 year employment change:	-0.9%
5 year employment change:	35.1%
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Youth share of employment:	10.7%
Mature age share of employment:	19.1%

Retail Trade



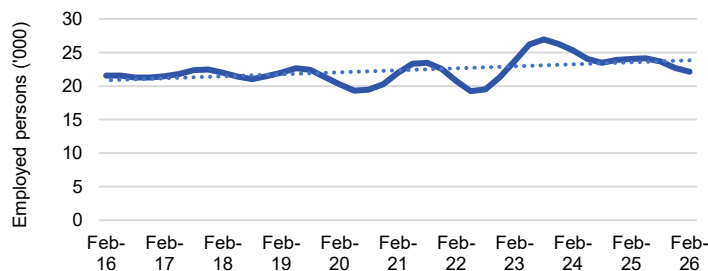
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Education and Training



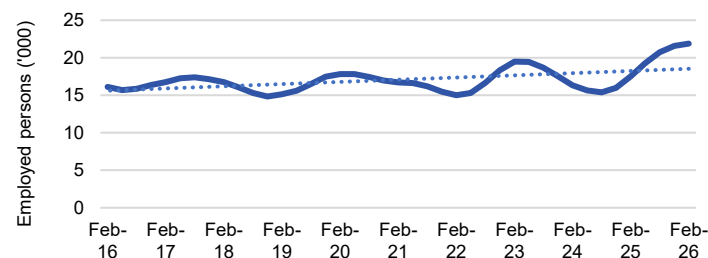
Number employed (Feb-26):	22,300
1 year employment change:	-1.3%
5 year employment change:	11.6%
10 year employment change:	21.0%
Youth share of employment:	5.2%
Mature age share of employment:	11.2%

Construction



Number employed (Feb-26):	22,100
1 year employment change:	-8.0%
5 year employment change:	0.9%
10 year employment change:	2.6%
Youth share of employment:	13.5%
Mature age share of employment:	8.8%

Accommodation and Food Services



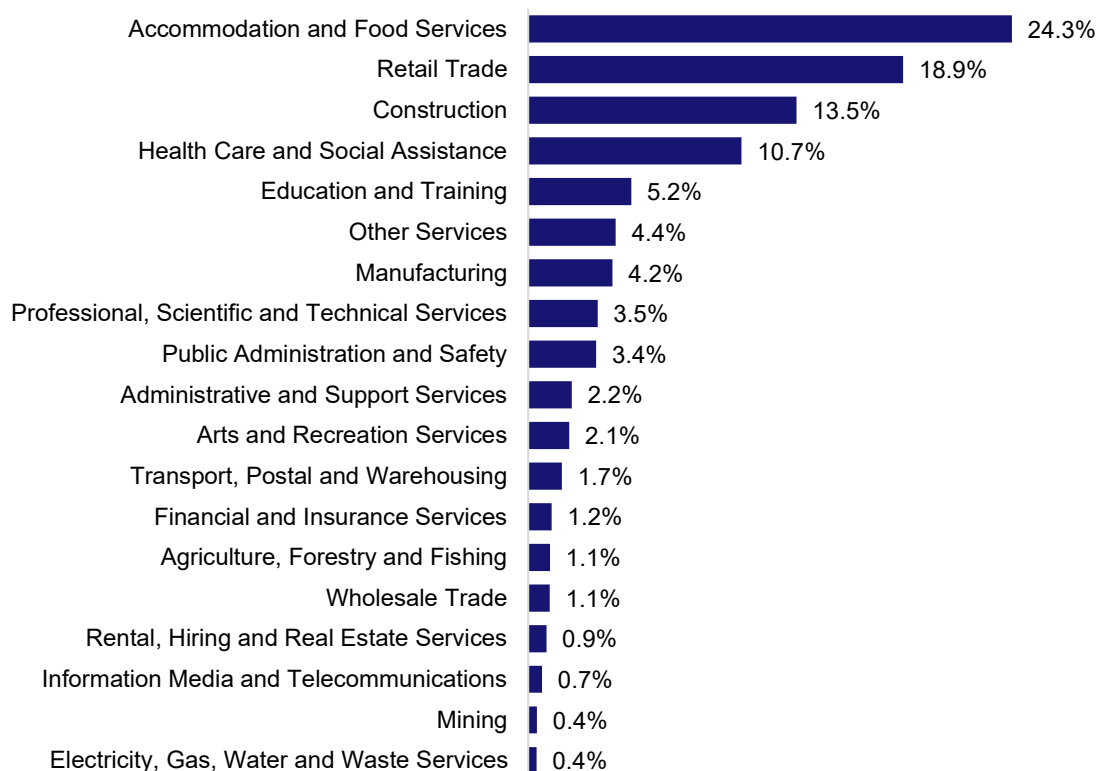
Number employed (Feb-26):	21,900
1 year employment change:	25.0%
5 year employment change:	31.1%
10 year employment change:	35.9%
Youth share of employment:	24.3%
Mature age share of employment:	4.7%

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026, except youth and mature age data which are from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.

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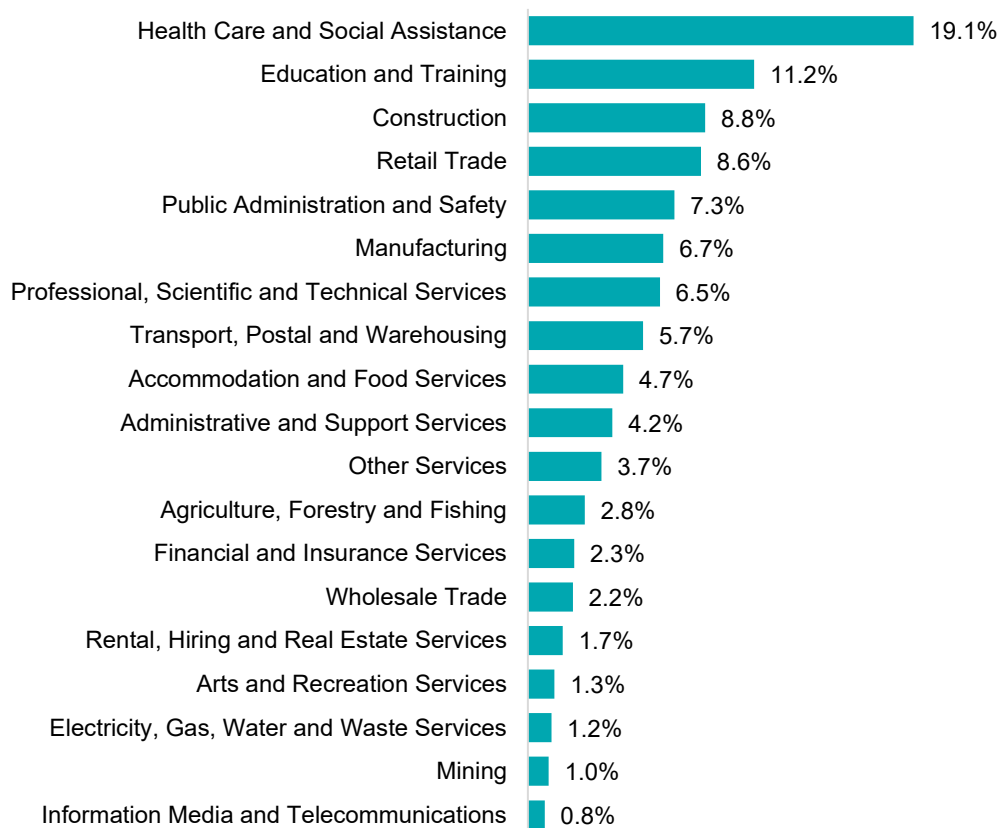
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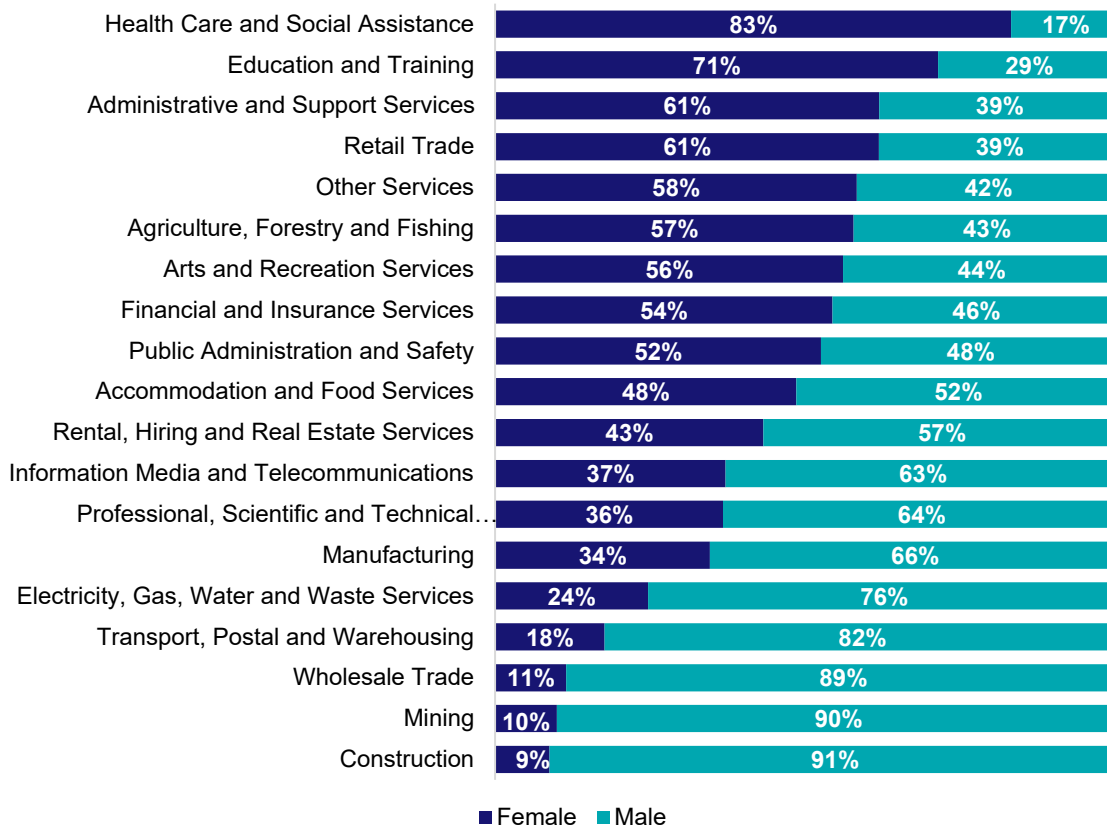
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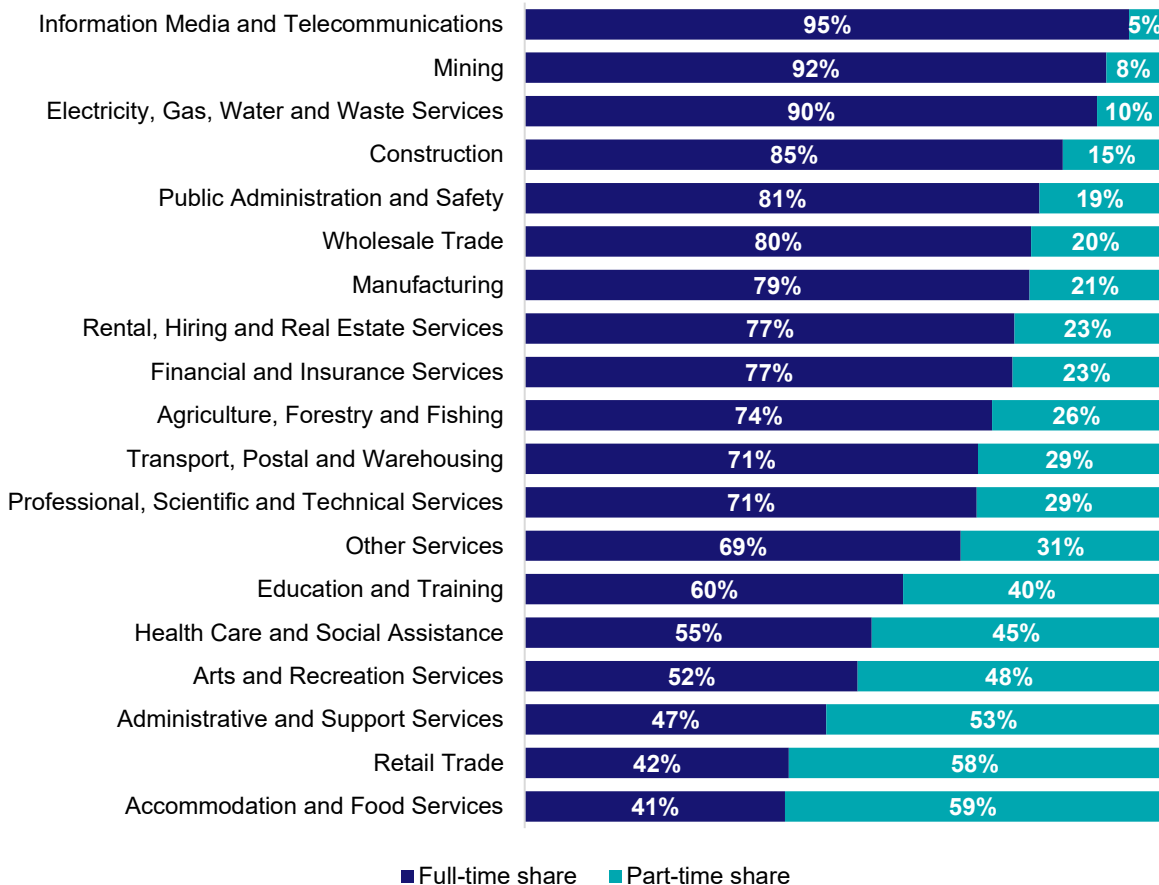
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Gender share by industry



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Full-time and part-time employment status by industry



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Appendix

Employment by industry, Illawarra South Coast, February 2026

Industry (in order of size)	Share of employment in the region Feb-26 (%)	Employed ('000)			Full-time share %	Part-time share %	Median age *
		Feb-26	Feb-25	Feb-21			
Health Care and Social Assistance	17.7	41.4	41.8	30.6	54.7	45.3	44
Retail Trade	9.6	22.4	19.2	20.7	41.6	58.4	36
Education and Training	9.5	22.3	22.5	19.9	59.6	40.4	45
Construction	9.5	22.1	24.1	21.9	84.7	15.3	38
Accommodation and Food Services	9.3	21.9	17.5	16.7	41.0	59.0	26
Public Administration and Safety	7.4	17.2	17.1	17.0	81.0	19.0	44
Manufacturing	6.8	15.9	17.8	15.4	79.5	20.5	45
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	5.9	13.9	17.2	16.7	71.2	28.8	42
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	4.0	9.4	12.2	10.3	71.4	28.6	48
Financial and Insurance Services	3.7	8.6	6.7	4.0	76.9	23.1	42
Other Services	3.4	8.0	5.9	8.2	68.7	31.3	40
Administrative and Support Services	2.7	6.2	6.8	6.3	47.5	52.5	46
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	2.2	5.2	3.0	3.6	77.2	22.8	45
Arts and Recreation Services	2.2	5.1	5.6	5.0	52.4	47.6	38
Wholesale Trade	1.6	3.9	4.7	4.2	79.7	20.3	45
Mining	1.5	3.6	2.8	2.9	91.6	8.4	41
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	1.1	2.6	2.3	2.1	73.6	26.4	52
Information Media and Telecommunications	1.0	2.4	1.9	2.5	95.2	4.8	40
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	0.9	2.0	2.2	1.6	90.1	9.9	45
All industries	100.0	234.1	231.3	209.6	64.2	35.8	42

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Employment Region Industry profile

Mid North Coast Employment Region

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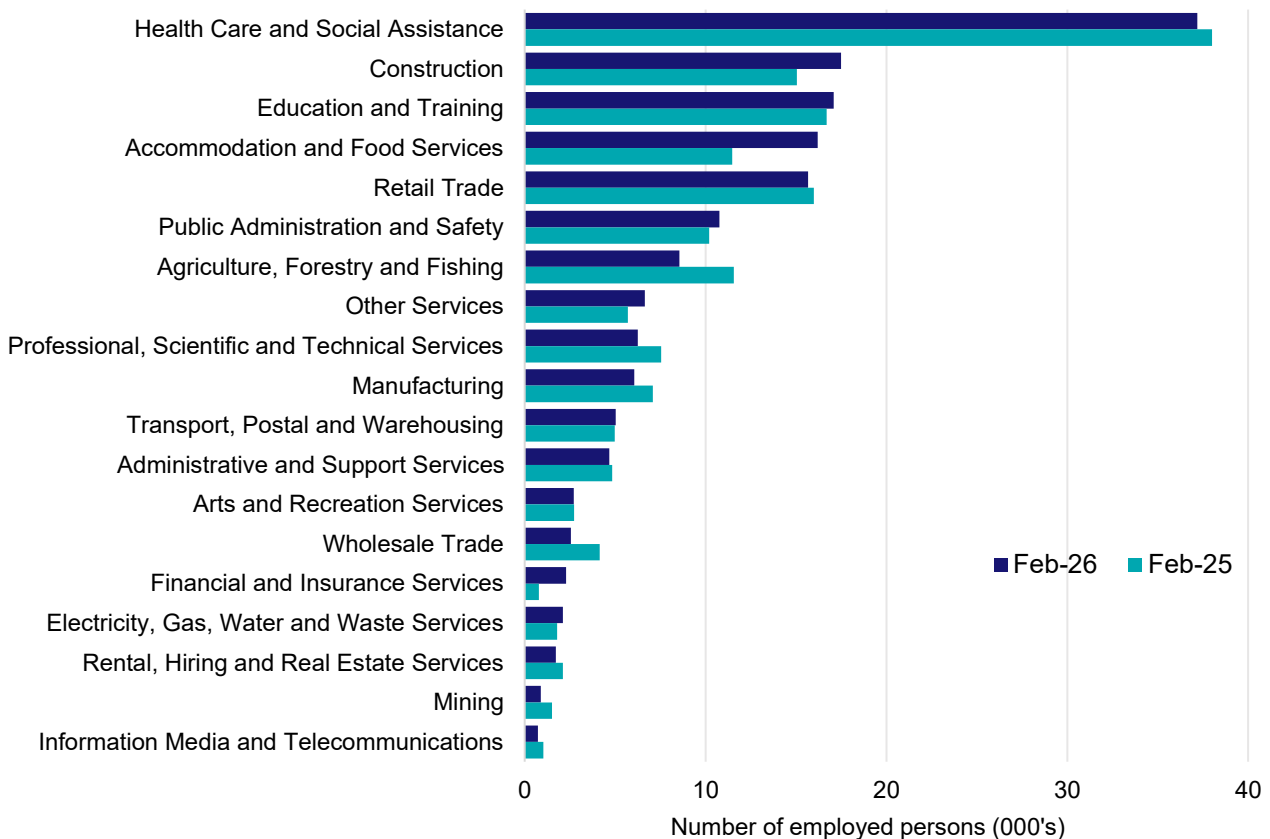
In February 2026, there were around 164,600 people employed in the Mid North Coast Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Health Care and Social Assistance, Construction, Education and Training, Accommodation and Food Services, and Retail Trade. Together these 5 industries accounted for 63% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Health Care and Social Assistance fell by 2.1% to stand at 37,200
- Construction rose by 16.3% to stand at 17,500
- Education and Training rose by 2.4% to stand at 17,100.

In Health Care and Social Assistance in the Mid North Coast Employment Region, 51% of workers were employed part-time; 78% were female; and the median age of the workforce was 47.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025



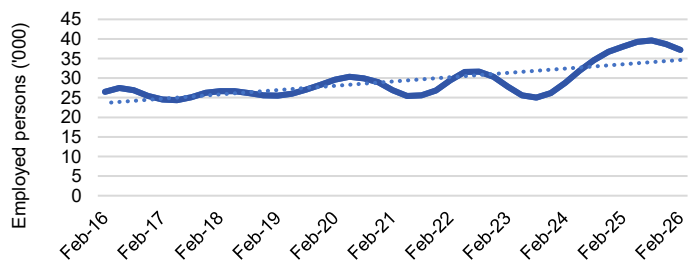
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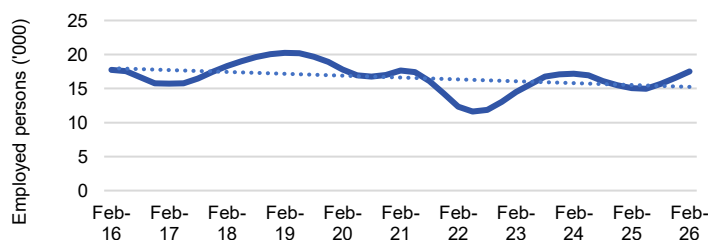
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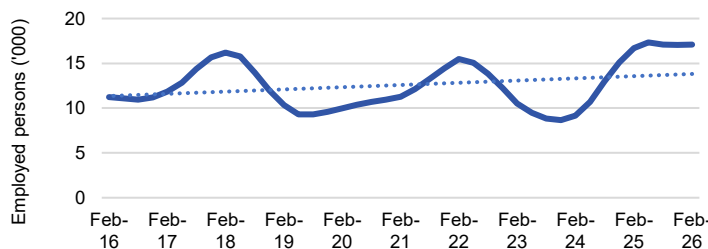
Number employed (Feb-26):	37,200
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Youth share of employment:	11.6%
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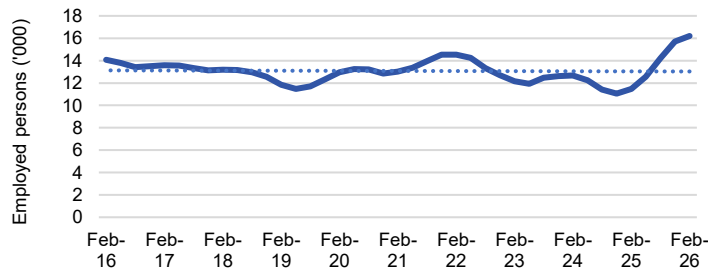
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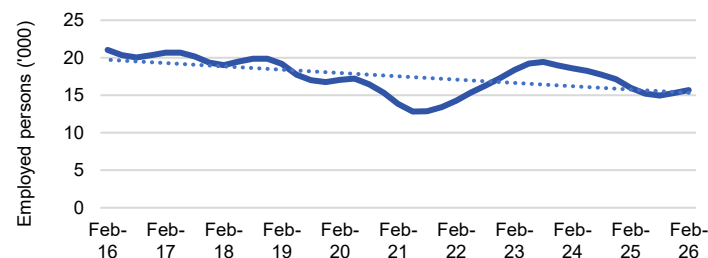
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10 year employment change:	52.0%
Youth share of employment:	4.3%
Mature age share of employment:	10.1%

Accommodation and Food Services



Number employed (Feb-26):	16,200
1 year employment change:	41.1%
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Youth share of employment:	26.4%
Mature age share of employment:	5.6%

Retail Trade



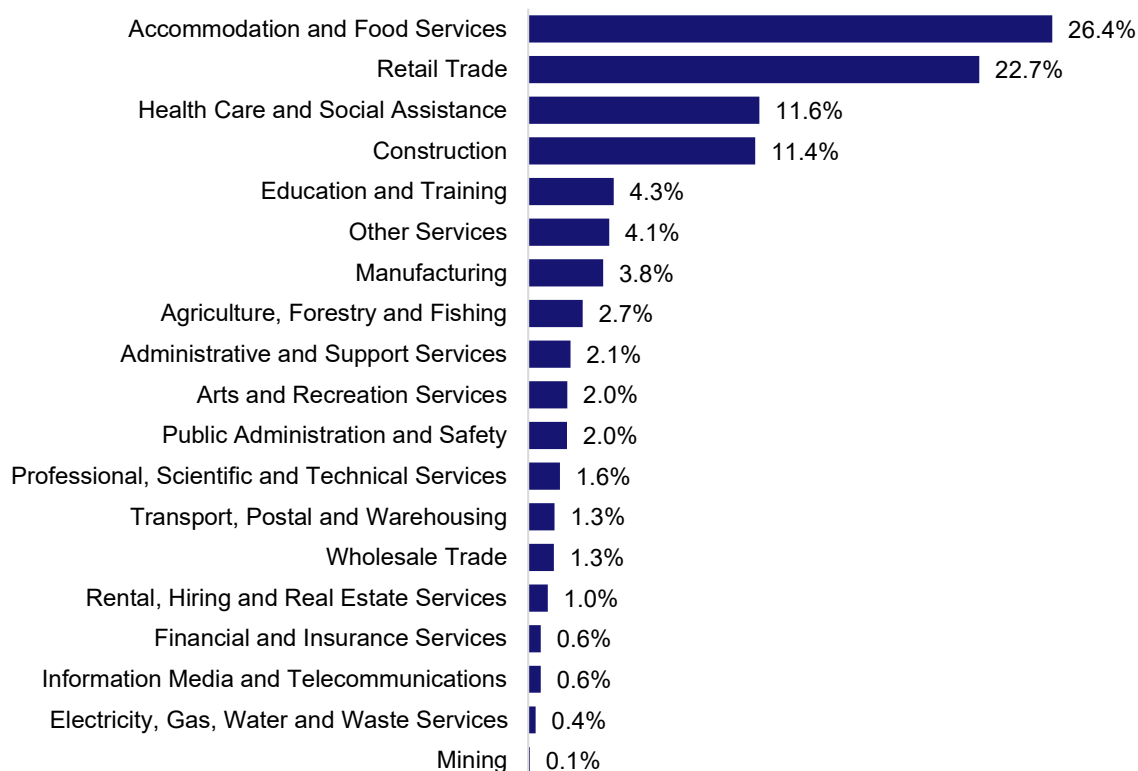
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Youth share of employment:	22.7%
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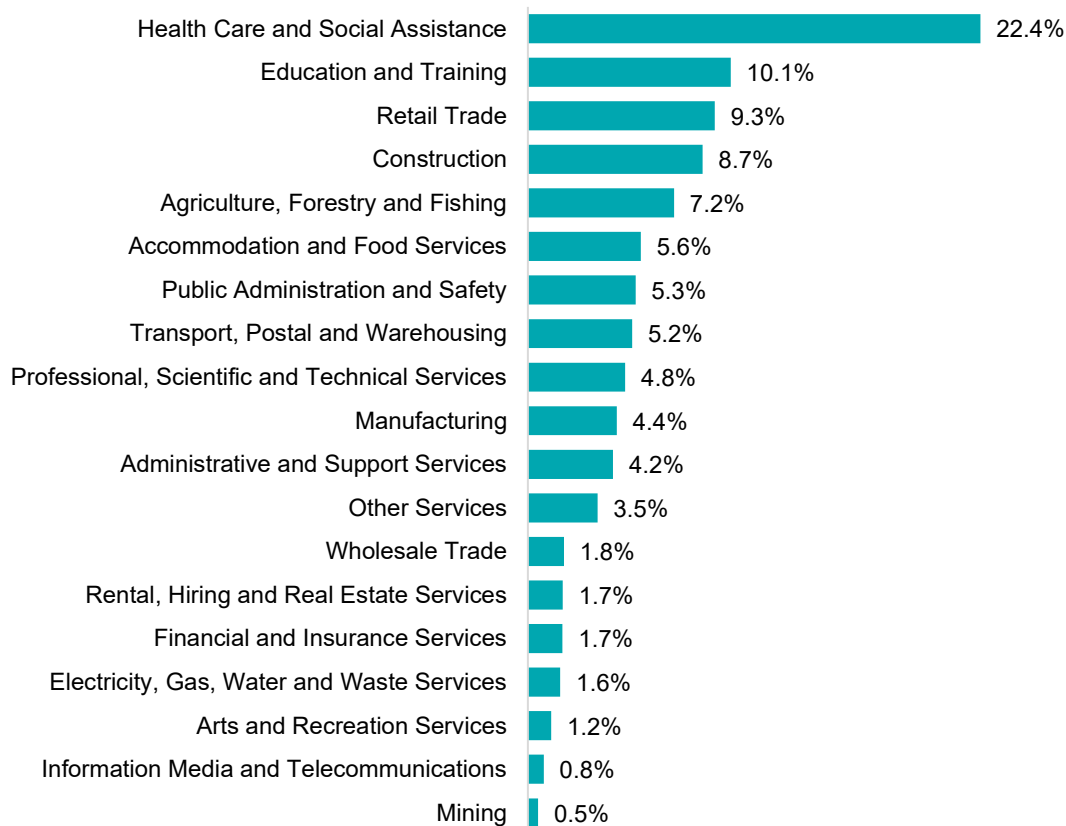
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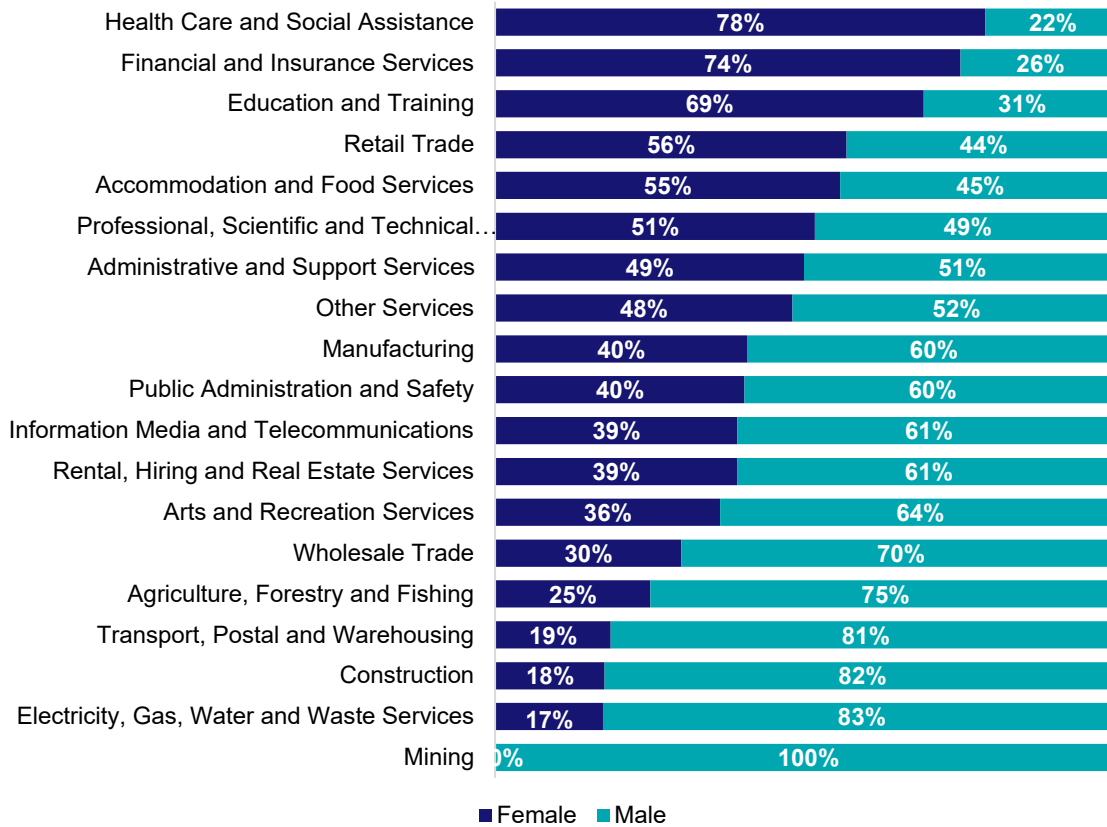
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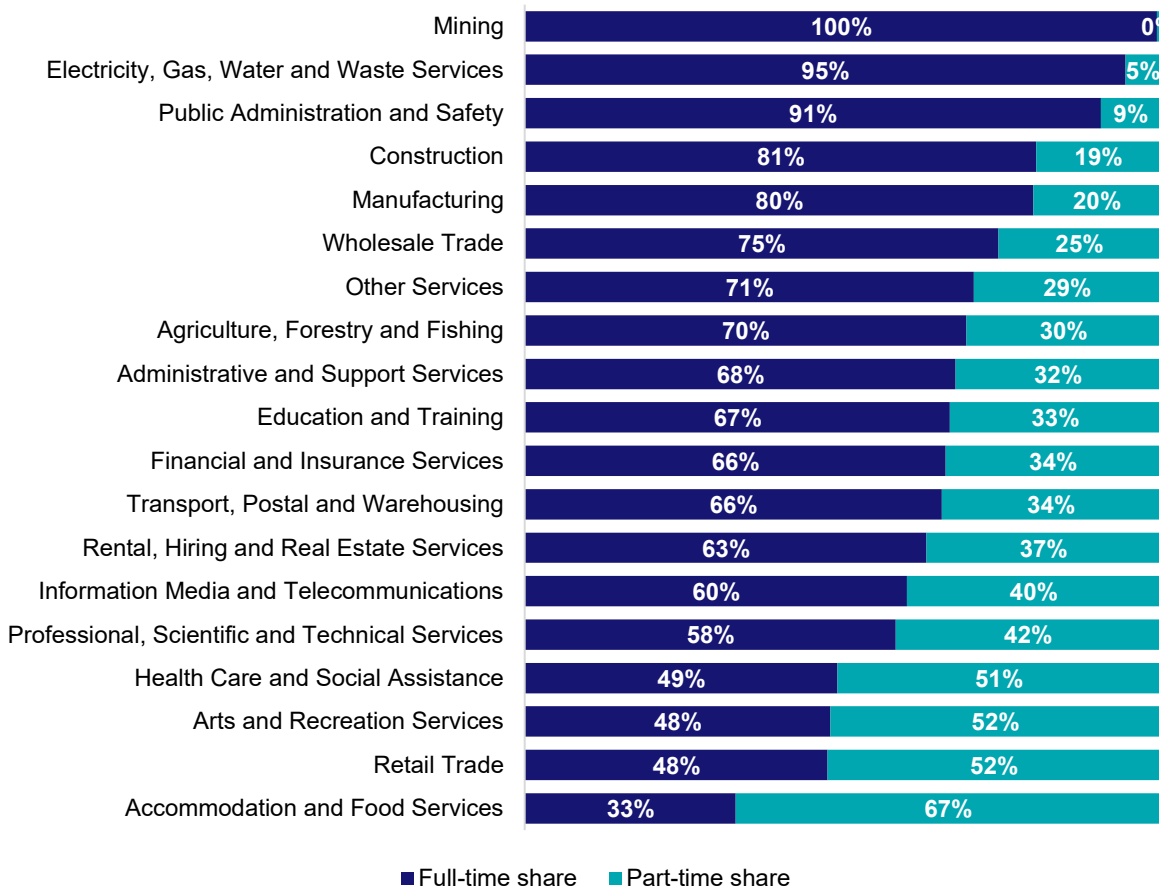
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Gender share by industry



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Full-time and part-time employment status by industry



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Appendix

Employment by industry, Mid North Coast, February 2026

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		Feb-26	Feb-25	Feb-21			
Health Care and Social Assistance	22.6	37.2	38.0	27.0	49.3	50.7	47
Construction	10.6	17.5	15.0	17.7	80.6	19.4	41
Education and Training	10.4	17.1	16.7	11.3	67.0	33.0	47
Accommodation and Food Services	9.8	16.2	11.5	13.0	33.2	66.8	30
Retail Trade	9.5	15.7	16.0	13.9	47.7	52.3	38
Public Administration and Safety	6.5	10.8	10.2	7.1	90.7	9.3	47
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	5.2	8.6	11.6	7.5	69.6	30.4	50
Other Services	4.0	6.6	5.7	7.1	70.7	29.3	42
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	3.8	6.2	7.5	6.3	58.4	41.6	47
Manufacturing	3.7	6.1	7.1	7.6	80.1	19.9	46
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	3.1	5.0	5.0	4.9	65.7	34.3	52
Administrative and Support Services	2.8	4.7	4.8	4.5	67.9	32.1	48
Arts and Recreation Services	1.7	2.7	2.7	2.1	48.1	51.9	41
Wholesale Trade	1.6	2.6	4.1	2.6	74.6	25.4	46
Financial and Insurance Services	1.4	2.3	0.8	2.1	66.3	33.7	47
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.3	2.1	1.8	3.1	94.6	5.4	48
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	1.0	1.7	2.1	1.1	63.3	36.7	48
Mining	0.5	0.9	1.5	0.5	99.6	0.4	47
Information Media and Telecommunications	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.8	60.2	39.8	44
All industries	100.0	164.6	163.2	140.0	61.5	38.5	45

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026. *Median age is from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021. Median age has been derived using aggregated SA2s for the Employment Region.

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Employment Region Industry profile

Murray Riverina Employment Region

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Overview

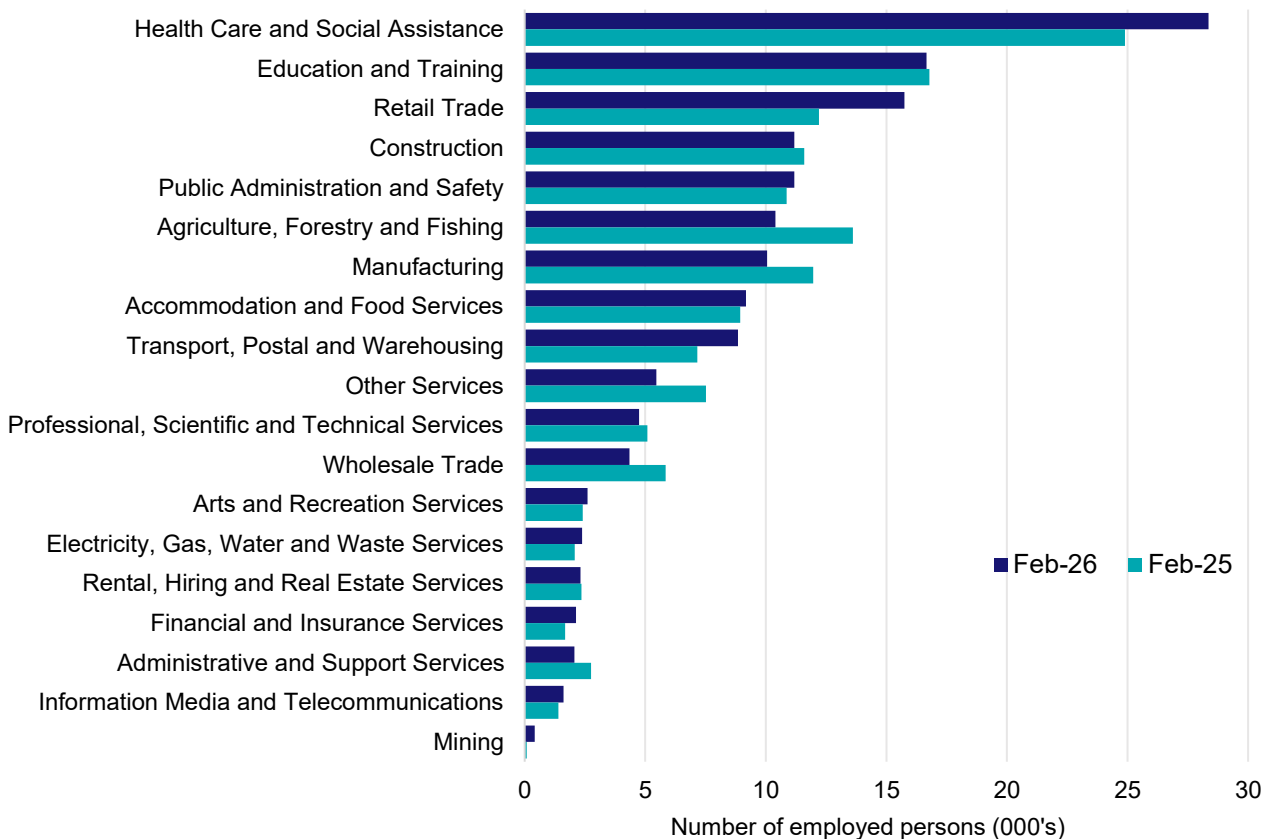
In February 2026, there were around 149,700 people employed in the Murray Riverina Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Health Care and Social Assistance, Education and Training, Retail Trade, Construction, and Public Administration and Safety. Together these 5 industries accounted for 56% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Health Care and Social Assistance rose by 13.9% to stand at 28,400
- Education and Training fell by 0.8% to stand at 16,700
- Retail Trade rose by 29.0% to stand at 15,700.

In Health Care and Social Assistance in the Murray Riverina Employment Region, 63% of workers were employed full-time; 77% were female; and the median age of the workforce was 43.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025



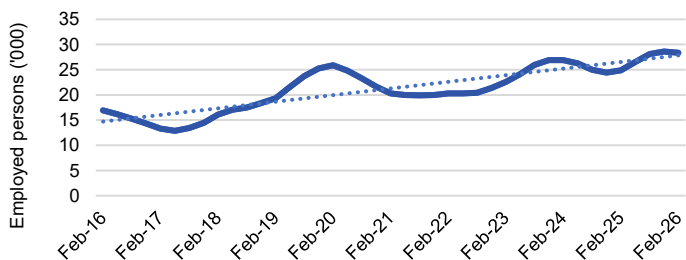
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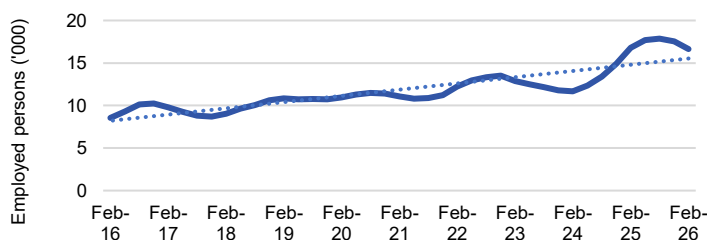
Five largest employing industries: key statistics

Health Care and Social Assistance



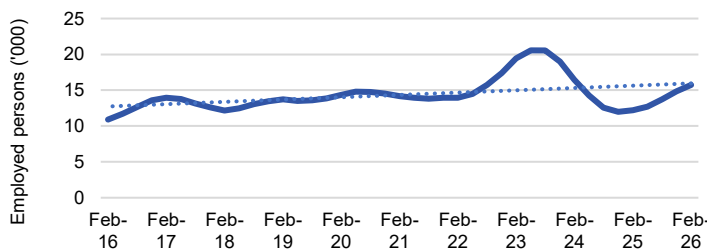
Number employed (Feb-26):	28,400
1 year employment change:	13.9%
5 year employment change:	39.9%
10 year employment change:	67.4%
Youth share of employment:	9.0%
Mature age share of employment:	14.0%

Education and Training



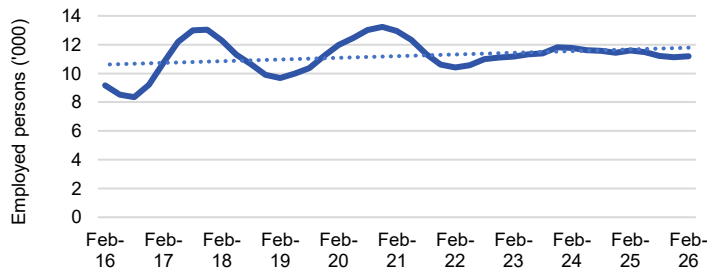
Number employed (Feb-26):	16,700
1 year employment change:	-0.8%
5 year employment change:	50.4%
10 year employment change:	94.9%
Youth share of employment:	4.7%
Mature age share of employment:	9.3%

Retail Trade



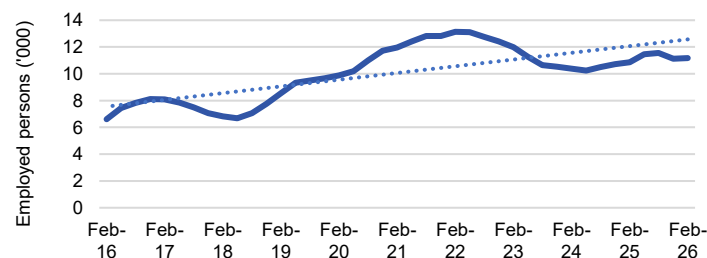
Number employed (Feb-26):	15,700
1 year employment change:	29.0%
5 year employment change:	11.0%
10 year employment change:	44.4%
Youth share of employment:	18.3%
Mature age share of employment:	7.2%

Construction



Number employed (Feb-26):	11,200
1 year employment change:	-3.6%
5 year employment change:	-13.7%
10 year employment change:	21.9%
Youth share of employment:	11.0%
Mature age share of employment:	6.3%

Public Administration and Safety



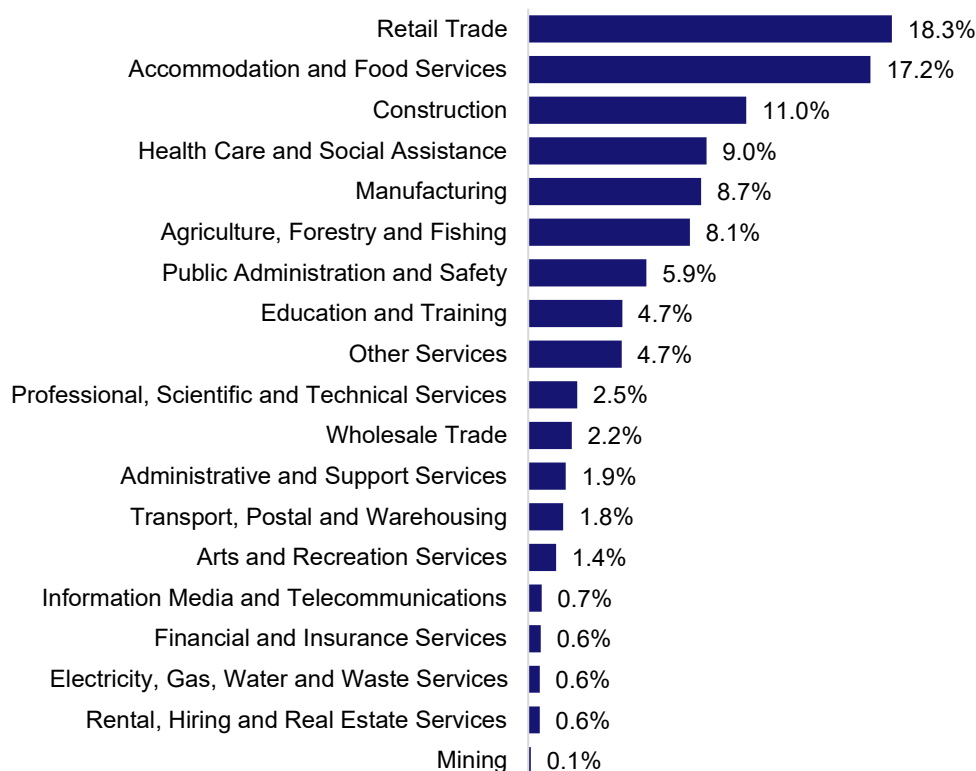
Number employed (Feb-26):	11,200
1 year employment change:	2.9%
5 year employment change:	-6.6%
10 year employment change:	69.1%
Youth share of employment:	5.9%
Mature age share of employment:	6.4%

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026, except youth and mature age data which are from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.

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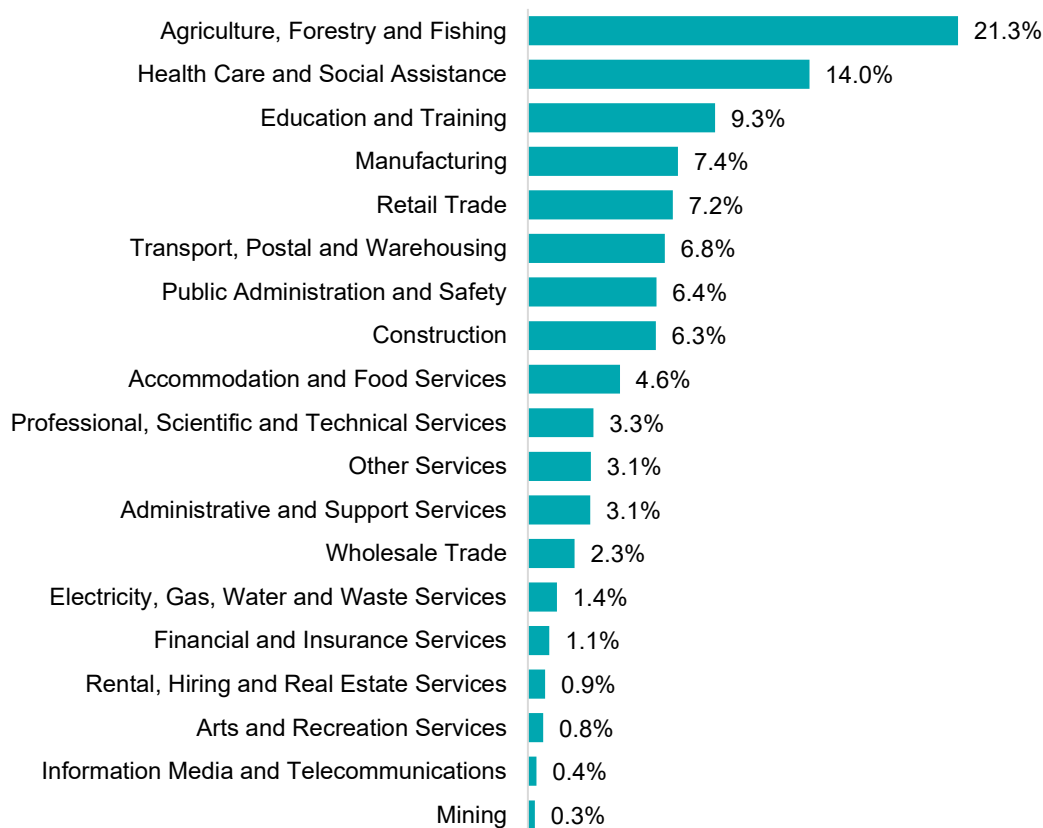
Employment characteristics by Industry

Which industries are youth (aged 15-24) employed in?



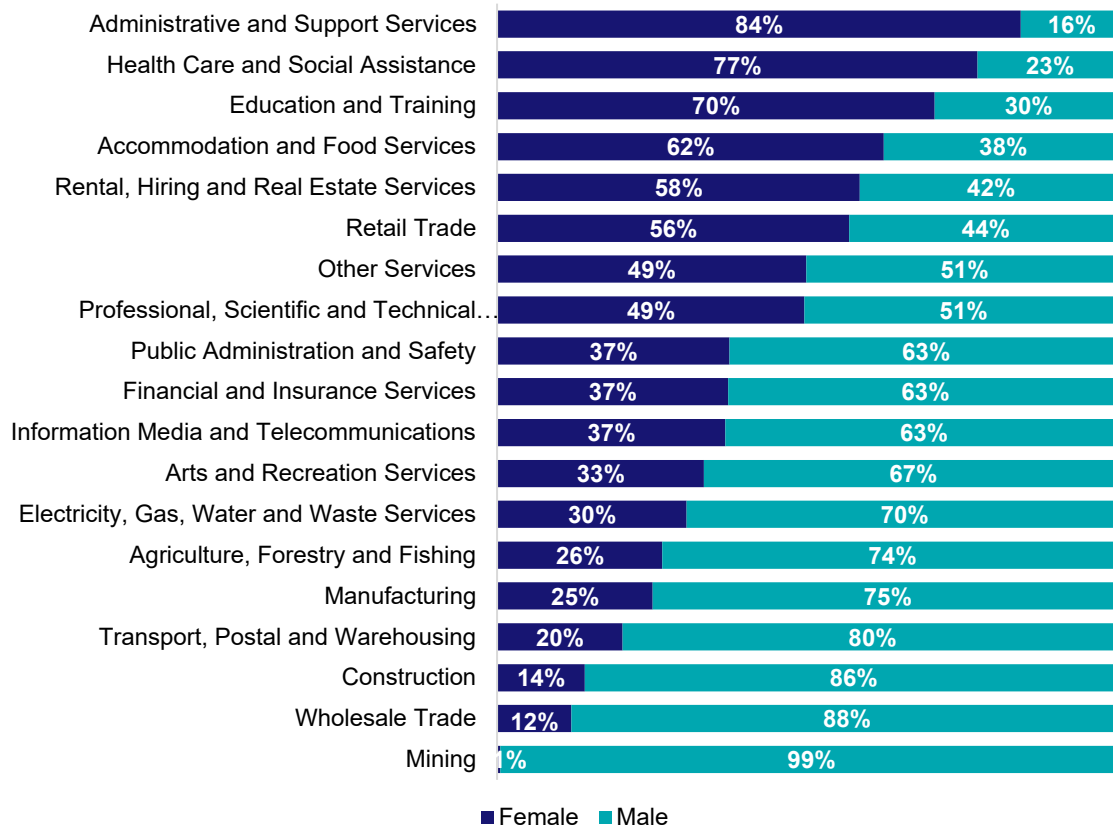
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Which industries are mature age persons (aged 55+) employed in?



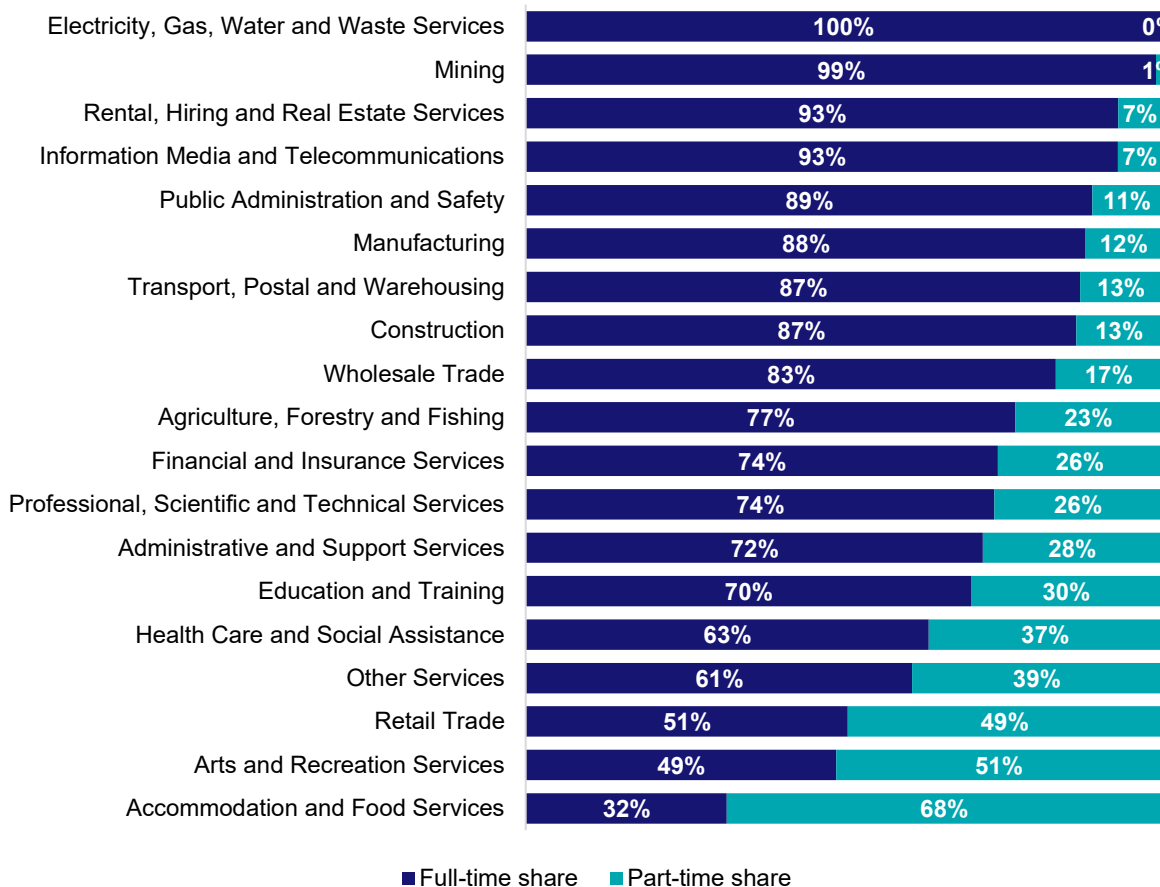
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Gender share by industry



Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026.

Full-time and part-time employment status by industry



Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026.

Appendix

Employment by industry, Murray Riverina, February 2026

Industry (in order of size)	Share of employment in the region Feb-26 (%)	Employed ('000)			Full-time share %	Part-time share %	Median age *
		Feb-26	Feb-25	Feb-21			
Health Care and Social Assistance	18.9	28.4	24.9	20.3	63.5	36.5	43
Education and Training	11.1	16.7	16.8	11.1	70.1	29.9	45
Retail Trade	10.5	15.7	12.2	14.2	50.7	49.3	36
Construction	7.5	11.2	11.6	13.0	86.7	13.3	37
Public Administration and Safety	7.5	11.2	10.9	12.0	89.2	10.8	42
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	6.9	10.4	13.6	13.0	77.1	22.9	50
Manufacturing	6.7	10.1	12.0	13.8	88.2	11.8	40
Accommodation and Food Services	6.1	9.2	8.9	11.3	31.6	68.4	29
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	5.9	8.8	7.2	4.9	87.3	12.7	53
Other Services	3.6	5.5	7.5	4.5	60.9	39.1	38
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	3.2	4.7	5.1	2.9	73.8	26.2	41
Wholesale Trade	2.9	4.4	5.8	5.8	83.5	16.5	44
Arts and Recreation Services	1.7	2.6	2.4	0.7	48.9	51.1	36
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.6	2.4	2.1	2.2	100.0	0.0	45
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	1.5	2.3	2.4	1.3	93.3	6.7	45
Financial and Insurance Services	1.4	2.1	1.7	1.6	74.3	25.7	42
Administrative and Support Services	1.4	2.1	2.8	3.9	72.0	28.0	45
Information Media and Telecommunications	1.1	1.6	1.4	1.3	93.2	6.8	36
Mining	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.1	99.3	0.7	42
All industries	100.0	149.7	149.2	137.6	70.9	29.1	42

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026. *Median age is from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021. Median age has been derived using aggregated SA2s for the Employment Region.

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Employment Region Industry profile

New England and North West Employment Region

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Overview

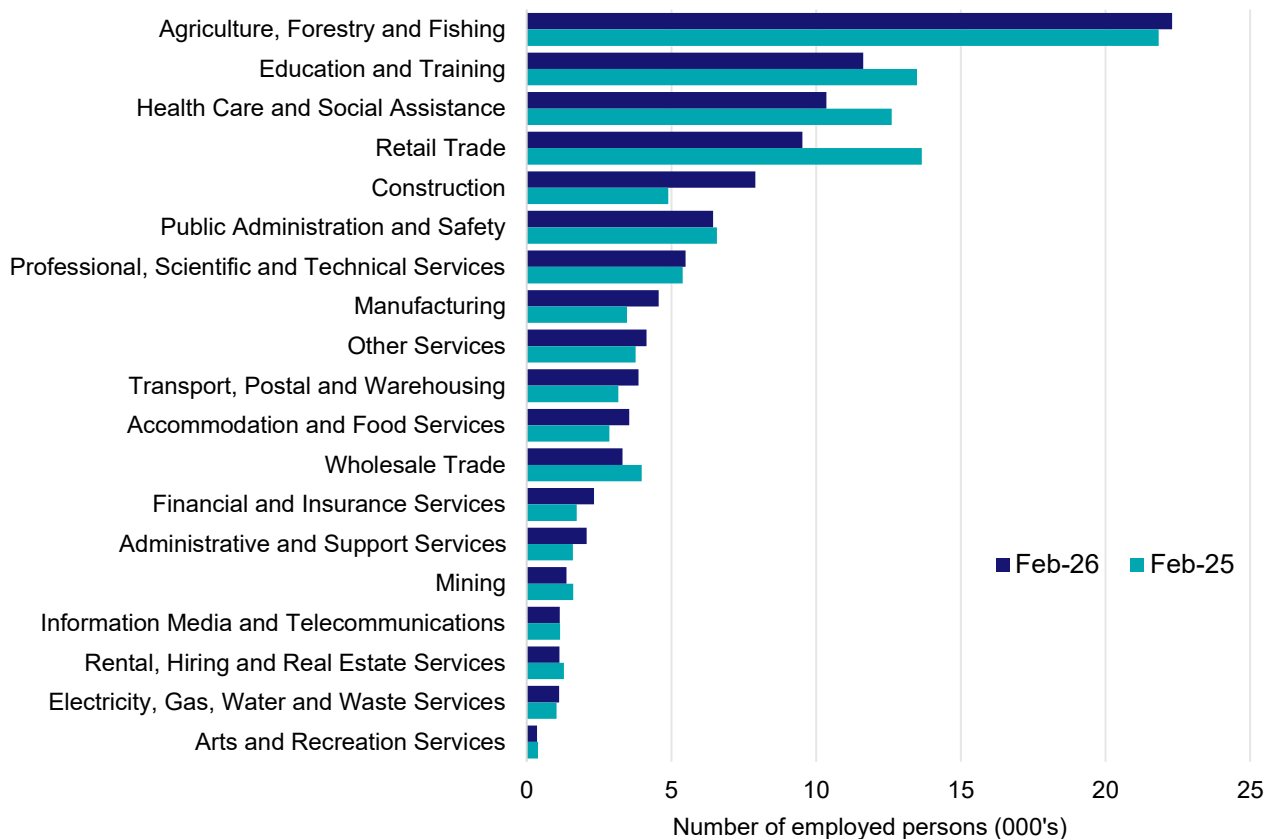
In February 2026, there were around 102,600 people employed in the New England and North West Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing, Education and Training, Health Care and Social Assistance, Retail Trade, and Construction. Together these 5 industries accounted for 60% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing rose by 2.1% to stand at 22,300
- Education and Training fell by 13.8% to stand at 11,600
- Health Care and Social Assistance fell by 17.9% to stand at 10,400.

In Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing in the New England and North West Employment Region, 74% of workers were employed full-time; 72% were male; and the median age of the workforce was 51.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025



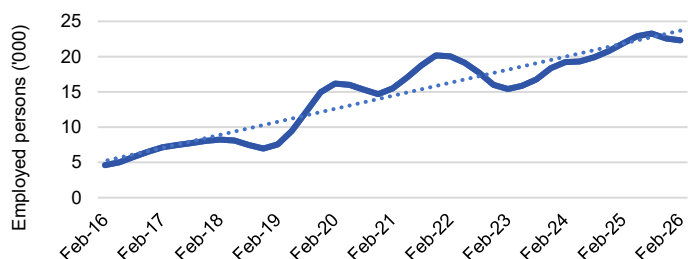
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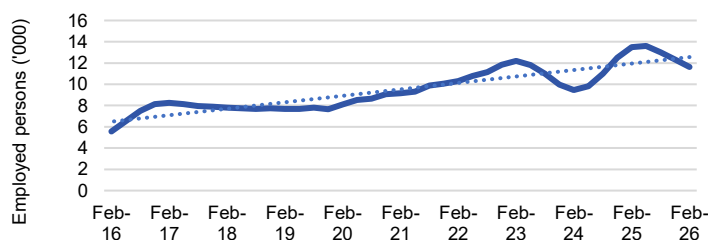
Five largest employing industries: key statistics

Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing



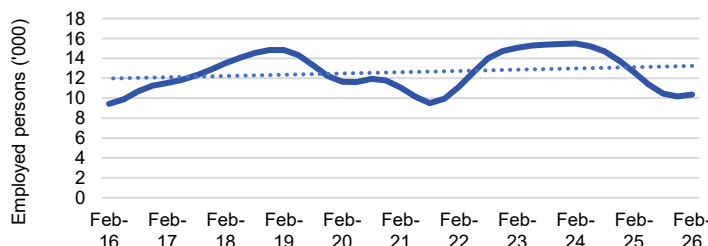
Number employed (Feb-26):	22,300
1 year employment change:	2.1%
5 year employment change:	43.8%
10 year employment change:	383.2%
Youth share of employment:	8.0%
Mature age share of employment:	22.3%

Education and Training



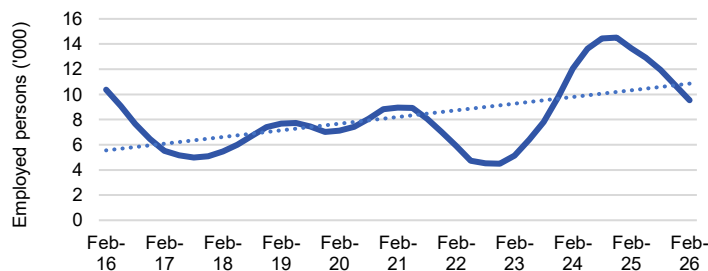
Number employed (Feb-26):	11,600
1 year employment change:	-13.8%
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10 year employment change:	109.1%
Youth share of employment:	6.1%
Mature age share of employment:	11.1%

Health Care and Social Assistance



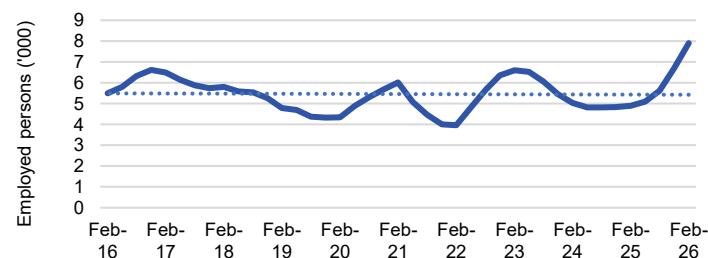
Number employed (Feb-26):	10,400
1 year employment change:	-17.9%
5 year employment change:	-6.4%
10 year employment change:	9.8%
Youth share of employment:	9.9%
Mature age share of employment:	15.0%

Retail Trade



Number employed (Feb-26):	9,500
1 year employment change:	-30.2%
5 year employment change:	6.5%
10 year employment change:	-8.3%
Youth share of employment:	19.4%
Mature age share of employment:	7.0%

Construction



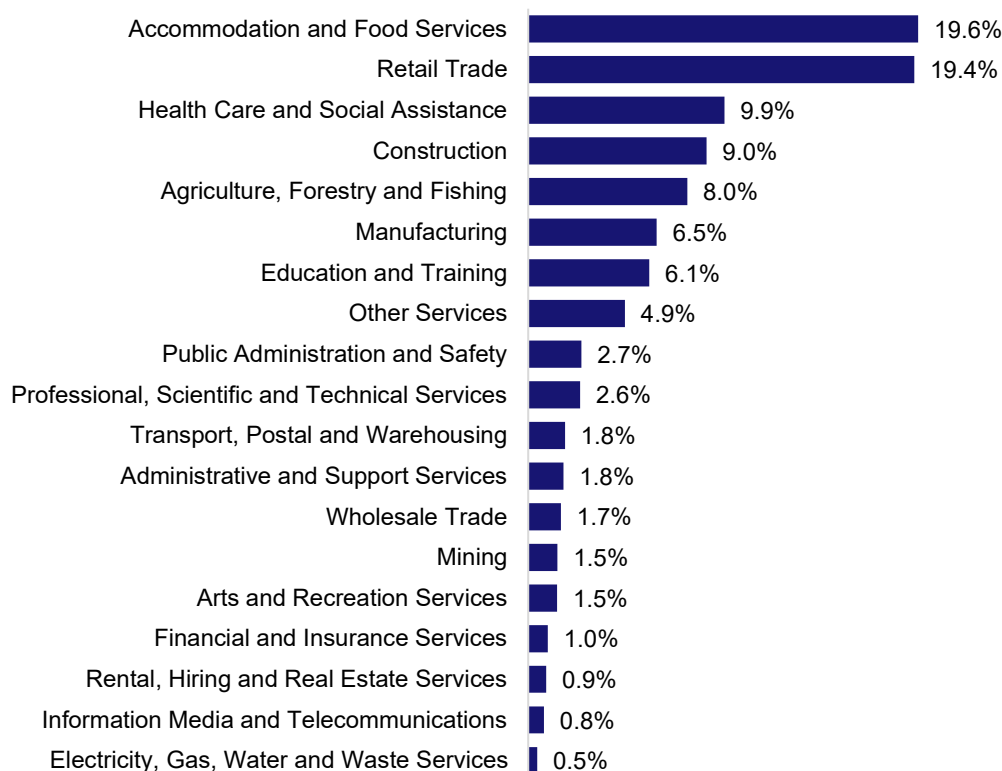
Number employed (Feb-26):	7,900
1 year employment change:	61.3%
5 year employment change:	31.4%
10 year employment change:	43.7%
Youth share of employment:	9.0%
Mature age share of employment:	6.2%

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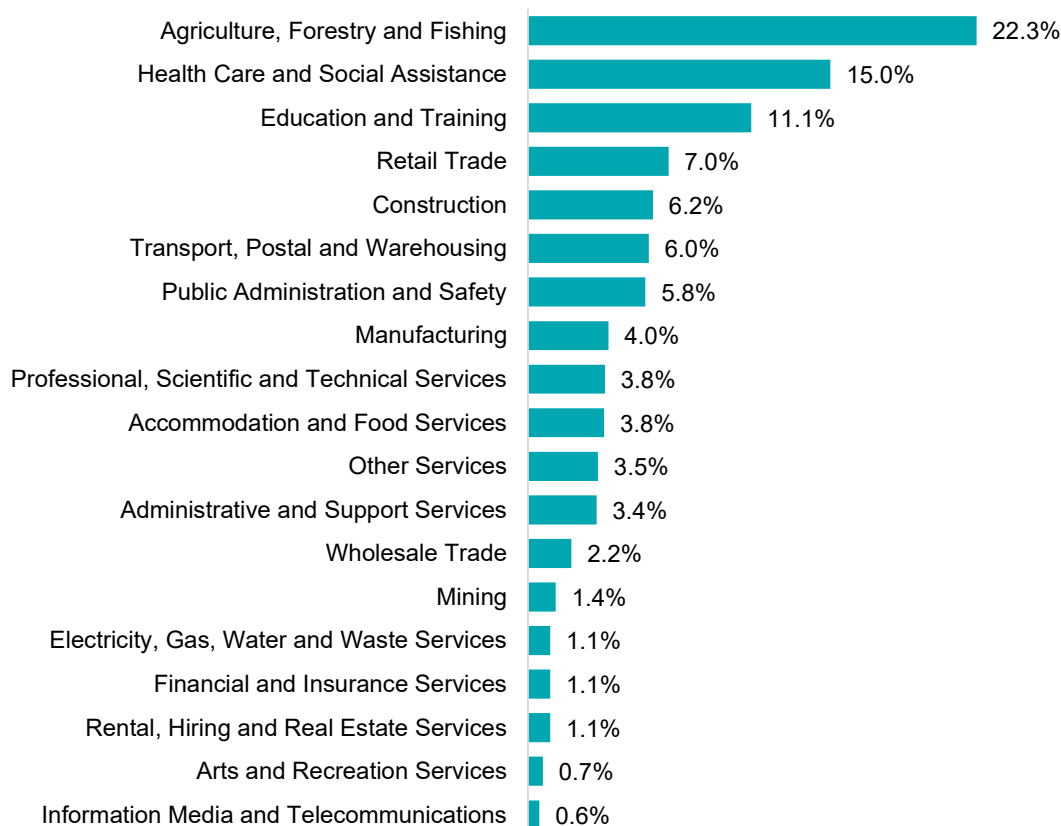
Employment characteristics by Industry

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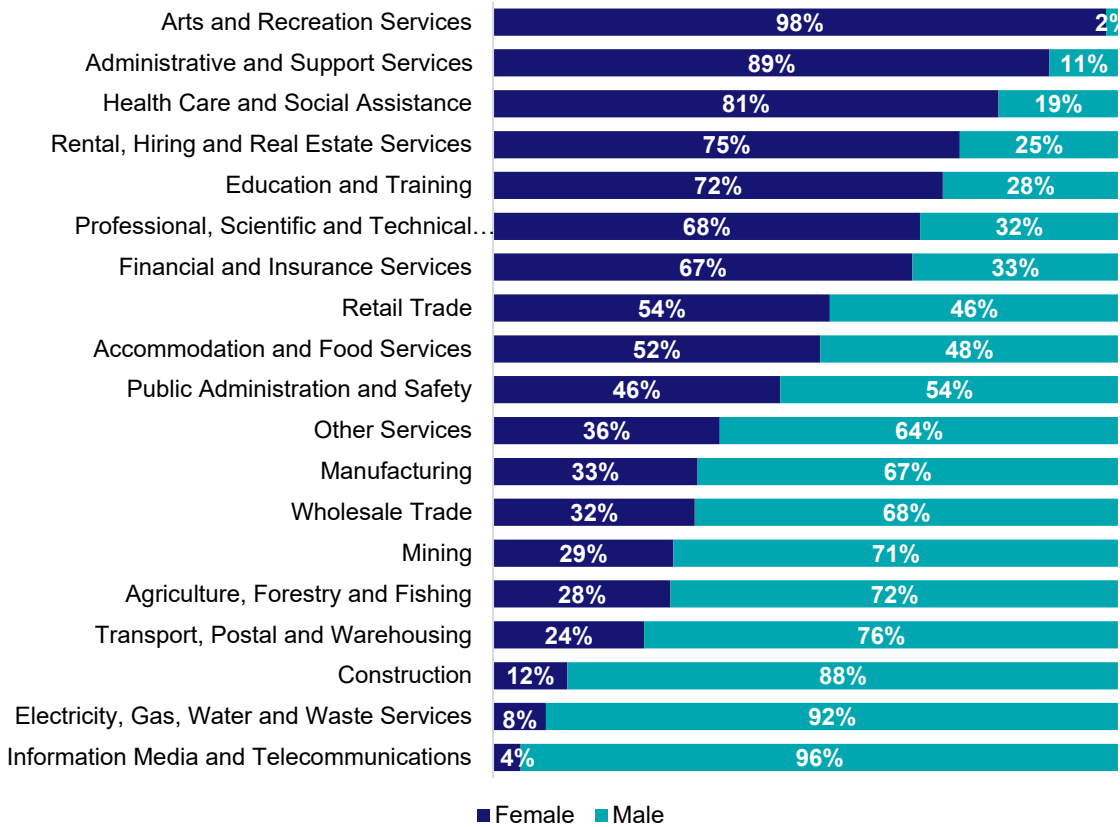
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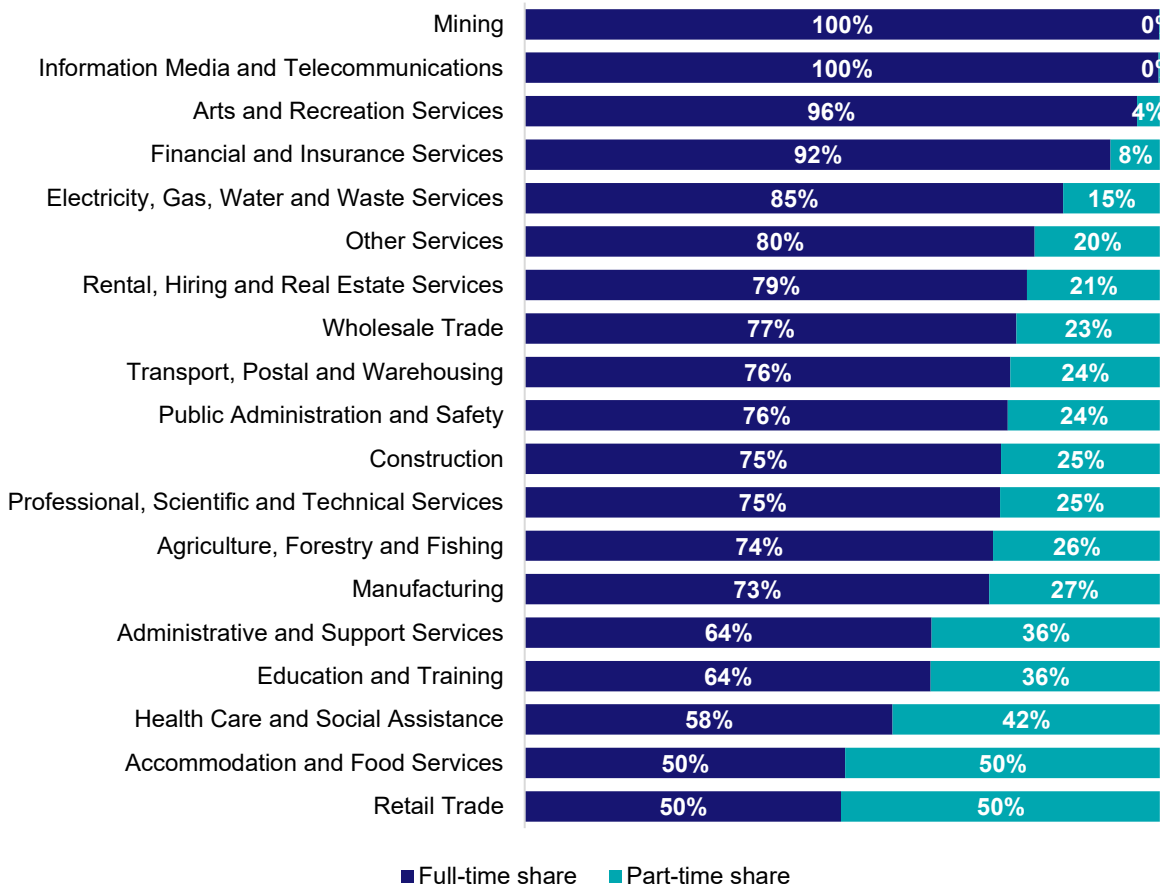
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Gender share by industry



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Full-time and part-time employment status by industry



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Appendix

Employment by industry, New England and North West, February 2026

Industry (in order of size)	Share of employment in the region Feb-26 (%)	Employed ('000)			Full-time share %	Part-time share %	Median age *
		Feb-26	Feb-25	Feb-21			
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	21.7	22.3	21.8	15.5	73.8	26.2	51
Education and Training	11.3	11.6	13.5	9.2	63.9	36.1	45
Health Care and Social Assistance	10.1	10.4	12.6	11.1	57.9	42.1	43
Retail Trade	9.3	9.5	13.7	8.9	49.8	50.2	36
Construction	7.7	7.9	4.9	6.0	75.0	25.0	39
Public Administration and Safety	6.3	6.4	6.6	3.5	76.1	23.9	46
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	5.4	5.5	5.4	4.1	74.9	25.1	43
Manufacturing	4.4	4.6	3.5	6.0	73.1	26.9	38
Other Services	4.0	4.1	3.8	3.0	80.3	19.7	39
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	3.8	3.9	3.2	5.3	76.5	23.5	50
Accommodation and Food Services	3.4	3.5	2.9	4.9	50.5	49.5	27
Wholesale Trade	3.2	3.3	4.0	2.4	77.4	22.6	43
Financial and Insurance Services	2.3	2.3	1.7	0.9	92.3	7.7	43
Administrative and Support Services	2.0	2.1	1.6	2.1	64.1	35.9	45
Mining	1.3	1.4	1.6	2.3	99.9	0.1	37
Information Media and Telecommunications	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.0	99.8	0.2	32
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	1.1	1.1	1.3	0.2	79.1	20.9	40
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	84.8	15.2	48
Arts and Recreation Services	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	96.4	3.6	35
All industries	100.0	102.6	104.5	87.7	69.9	30.1	43

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Employment Region Industry profile

North Coast Employment Region

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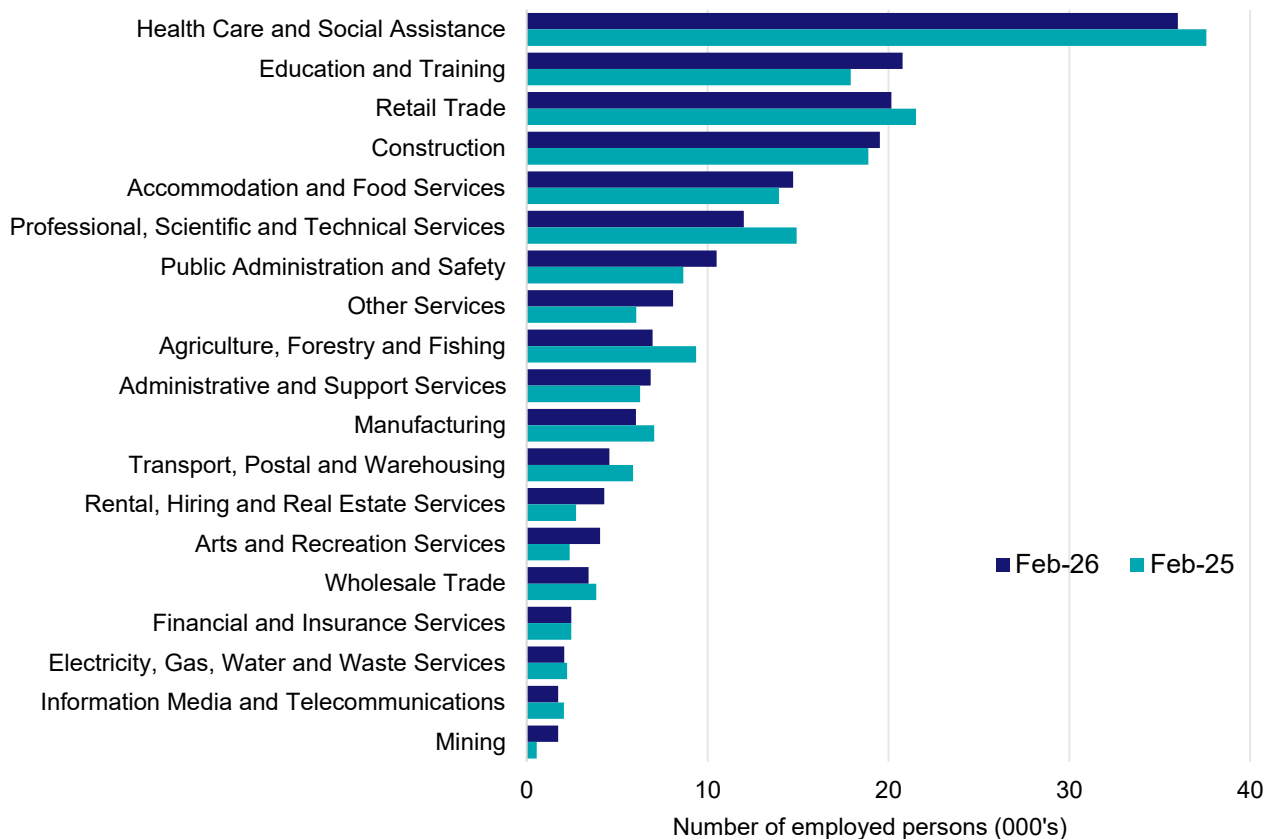
In February 2026, there were around 186,100 people employed in the North Coast Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Health Care and Social Assistance, Education and Training, Retail Trade, Construction, and Accommodation and Food Services. Together these 5 industries accounted for 60% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Health Care and Social Assistance fell by 4.2% to stand at 36,000
- Education and Training rose by 16.0% to stand at 20,800
- Retail Trade fell by 6.4% to stand at 20,200.

In Health Care and Social Assistance in the North Coast Employment Region, 52% of workers were employed full-time; 70% were female; and the median age of the workforce was 48.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025



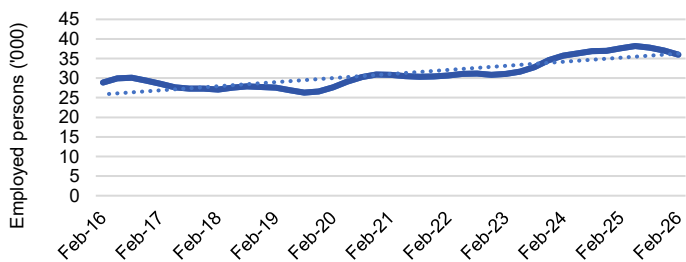
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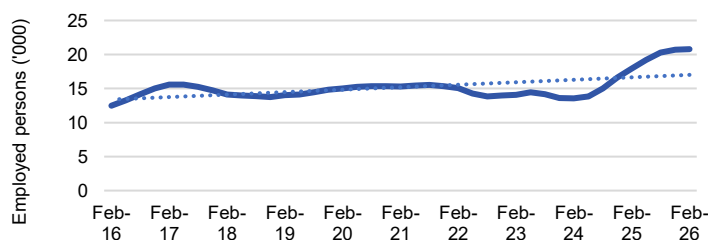
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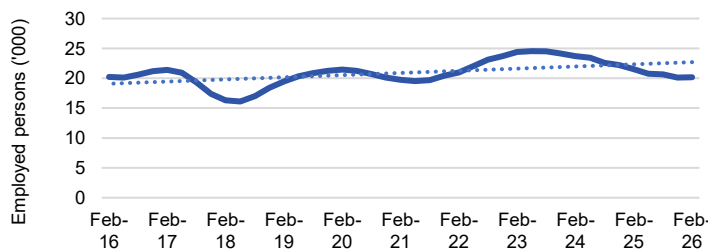
Number employed (Feb-26):	36,000
1 year employment change:	-4.2%
5 year employment change:	16.9%
10 year employment change:	24.8%
Youth share of employment:	8.8%
Mature age share of employment:	21.2%

Education and Training



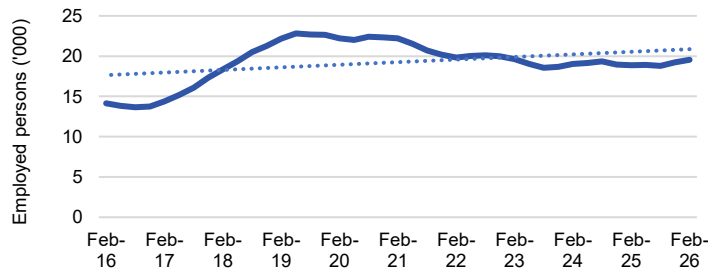
Number employed (Feb-26):	20,800
1 year employment change:	16.0%
5 year employment change:	36.1%
10 year employment change:	66.6%
Youth share of employment:	3.9%
Mature age share of employment:	10.5%

Retail Trade



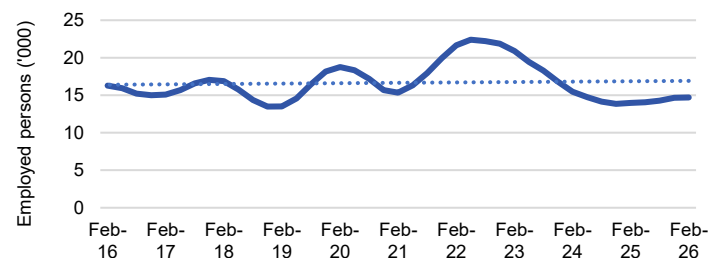
Number employed (Feb-26):	20,200
1 year employment change:	-6.4%
5 year employment change:	2.0%
10 year employment change:	-0.4%
Youth share of employment:	23.1%
Mature age share of employment:	8.0%

Construction



Number employed (Feb-26):	19,500
1 year employment change:	3.4%
5 year employment change:	-12.1%
10 year employment change:	38.1%
Youth share of employment:	9.9%
Mature age share of employment:	8.0%

Accommodation and Food Services



Number employed (Feb-26):	14,700
1 year employment change:	5.5%
5 year employment change:	-4.1%
10 year employment change:	-9.7%
Youth share of employment:	25.3%
Mature age share of employment:	5.0%

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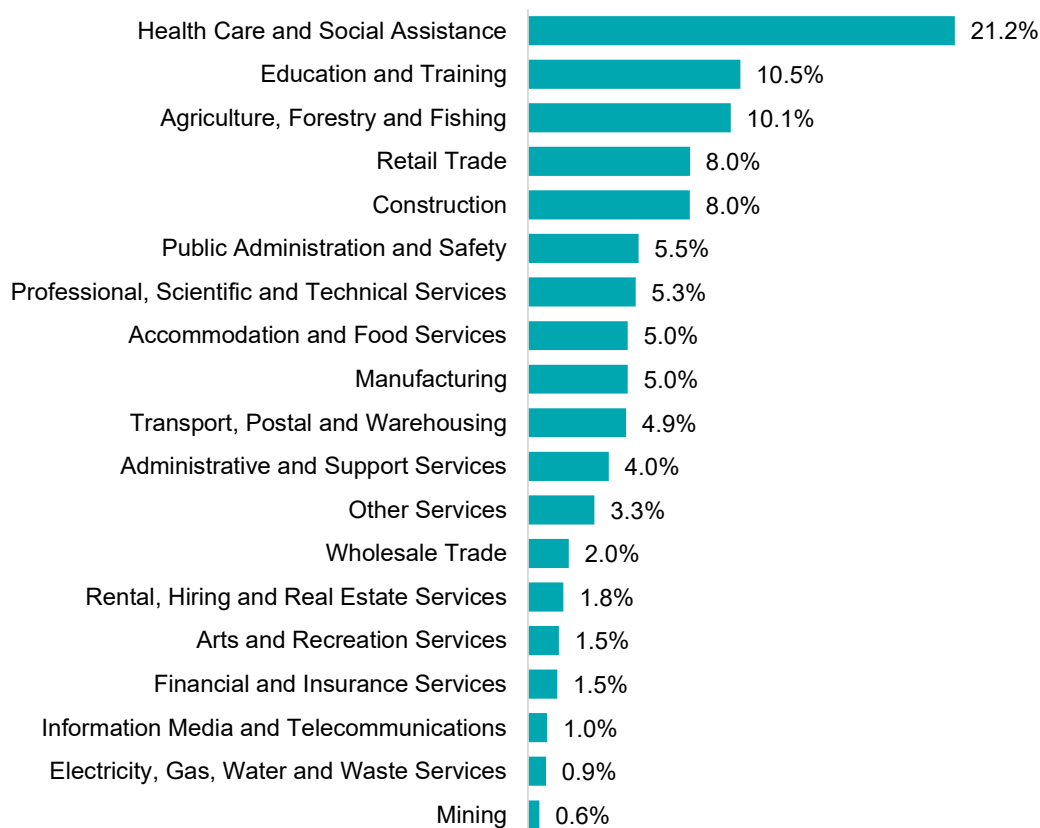
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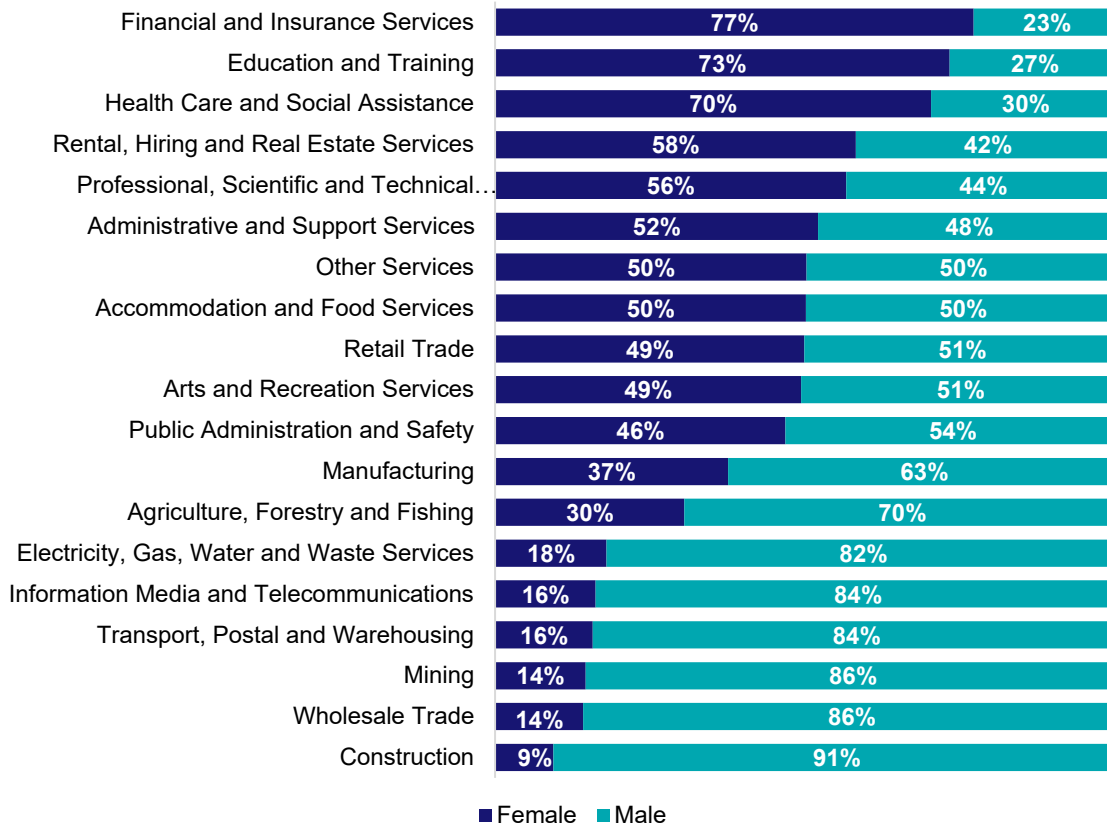
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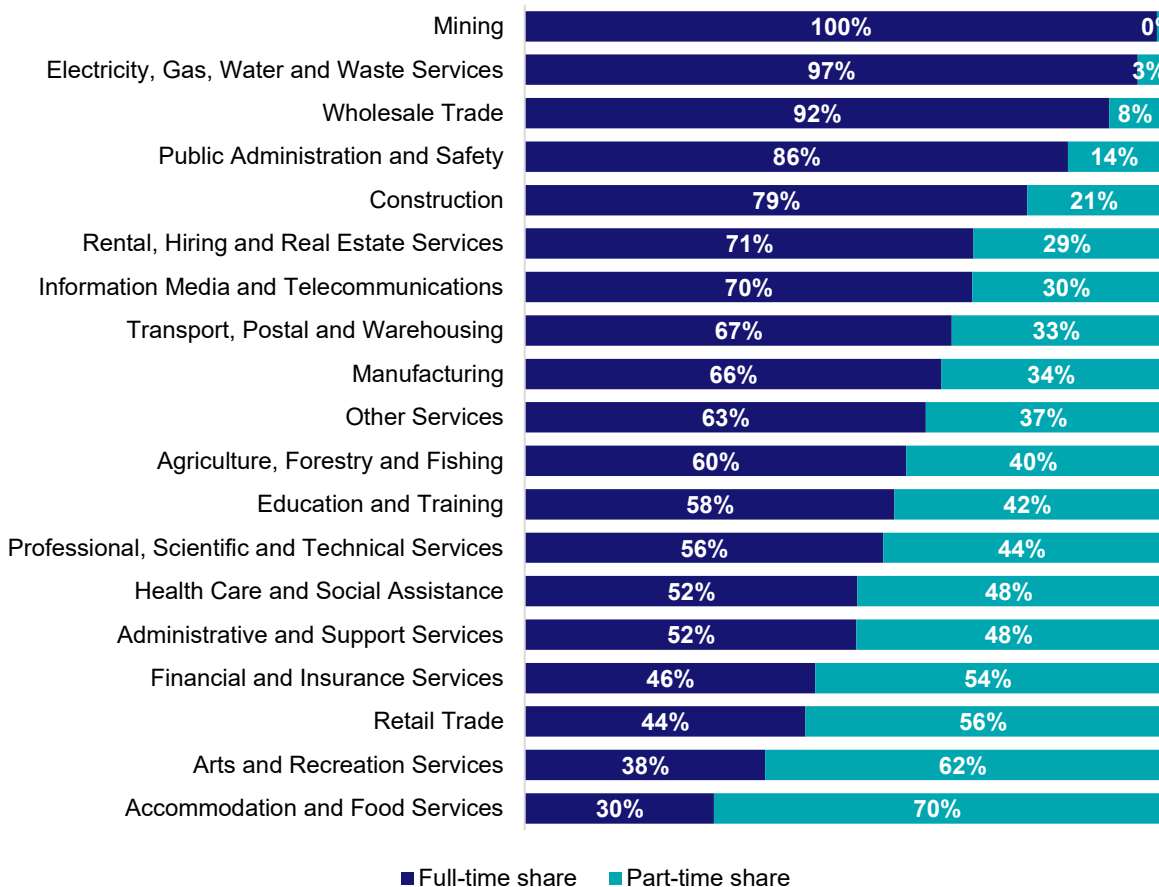
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Gender share by industry



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Full-time and part-time employment status by industry



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Appendix

Employment by industry, North Coast, February 2026

Industry (in order of size)	Share of employment in the region Feb-26 (%)	Employed ('000)			Full-time share %	Part-time share %	Median age *
		Feb-26	Feb-25	Feb-21			
Health Care and Social Assistance	19.4	36.0	37.6	30.8	52.4	47.6	48
Education and Training	11.2	20.8	17.9	15.3	58.2	41.8	47
Retail Trade	10.8	20.2	21.5	19.8	44.2	55.8	37
Construction	10.5	19.5	18.9	22.2	79.2	20.8	41
Accommodation and Food Services	7.9	14.7	14.0	15.3	29.8	70.2	31
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	6.5	12.0	14.9	9.9	56.4	43.6	45
Public Administration and Safety	5.6	10.5	8.7	8.8	85.6	14.4	47
Other Services	4.4	8.1	6.1	6.2	63.2	36.8	42
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	3.7	7.0	9.4	10.9	60.1	39.9	54
Administrative and Support Services	3.7	6.9	6.3	5.1	52.3	47.7	46
Manufacturing	3.2	6.0	7.0	10.2	65.6	34.4	43
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	2.5	4.6	5.9	5.1	67.3	32.7	52
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	2.3	4.3	2.7	2.4	70.7	29.3	47
Arts and Recreation Services	2.2	4.1	2.4	2.7	37.9	62.1	43
Wholesale Trade	1.8	3.4	3.8	4.4	92.1	7.9	47
Financial and Insurance Services	1.3	2.5	2.5	1.6	45.8	54.2	46
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.1	2.1	2.2	1.4	96.5	3.5	47
Information Media and Telecommunications	0.9	1.7	2.1	1.6	70.5	29.5	45
Mining	0.9	1.7	0.6	0.9	99.6	0.4	41
All industries	100.0	186.1	184.4	174.5	58.7	41.3	44

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Employment Region Industry profile

Sydney East Metro Employment Region

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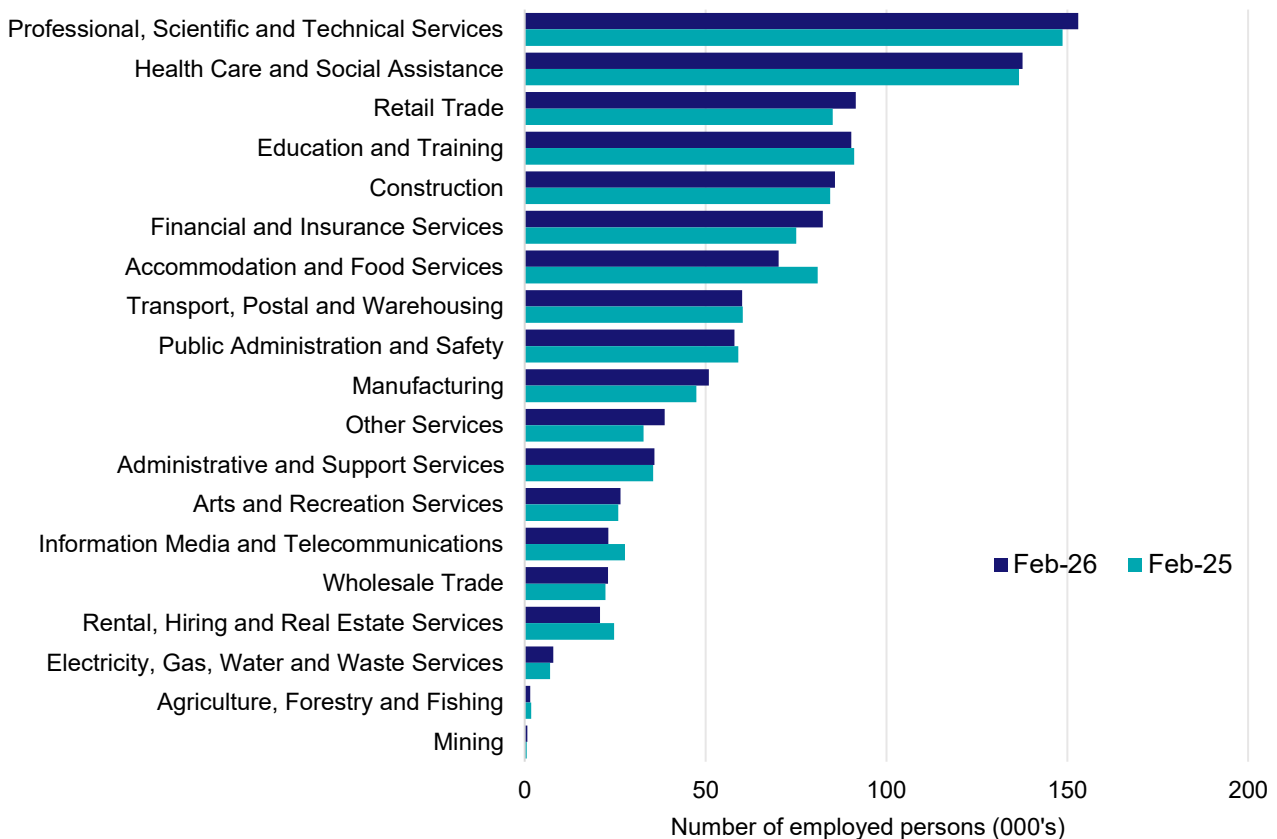
In February 2026, there were around 1,058,300 people employed in the Sydney East Metro Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Professional, Scientific and Technical Services, Health Care and Social Assistance, Retail Trade, Education and Training, and Construction. Together these 5 industries accounted for 53% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services rose by 2.9% to stand at 153,100
- Health Care and Social Assistance rose by 0.7% to stand at 137,600
- Retail Trade rose by 7.5% to stand at 91,500.

In Professional, Scientific and Technical Services in the Sydney East Metro Employment Region, 84% of workers were employed full-time; 54% were male; and the median age of the workforce was 37.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025

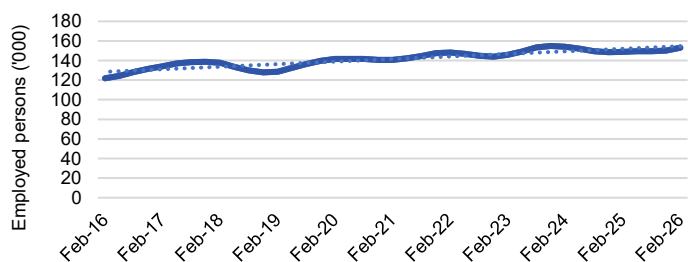


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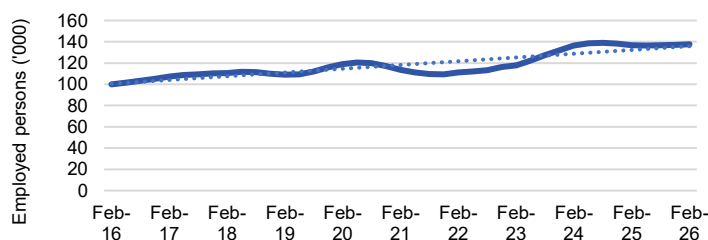
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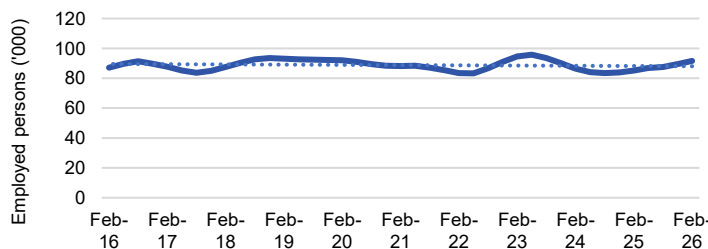
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Health Care and Social Assistance



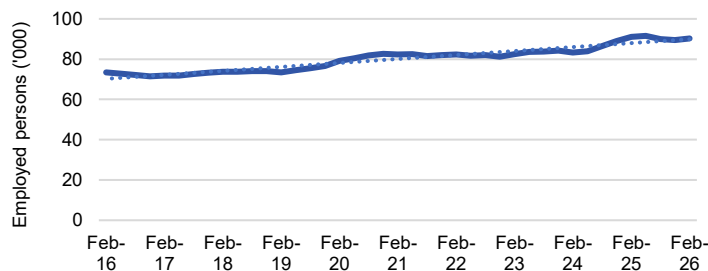
Number employed (Feb-26):	137,600
1 year employment change:	0.7%
5 year employment change:	21.2%
10 year employment change:	37.7%
Youth share of employment:	10.9%
Mature age share of employment:	16.8%

Retail Trade



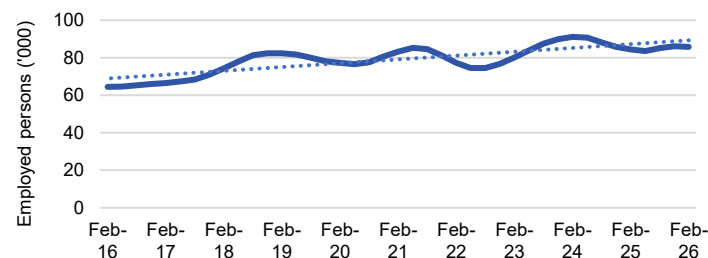
Number employed (Feb-26):	91,500
1 year employment change:	7.5%
5 year employment change:	3.9%
10 year employment change:	5.2%
Youth share of employment:	17.8%
Mature age share of employment:	6.9%

Education and Training



Number employed (Feb-26):	90,300
1 year employment change:	-0.8%
5 year employment change:	9.7%
10 year employment change:	23.1%
Youth share of employment:	8.0%
Mature age share of employment:	11.4%

Construction



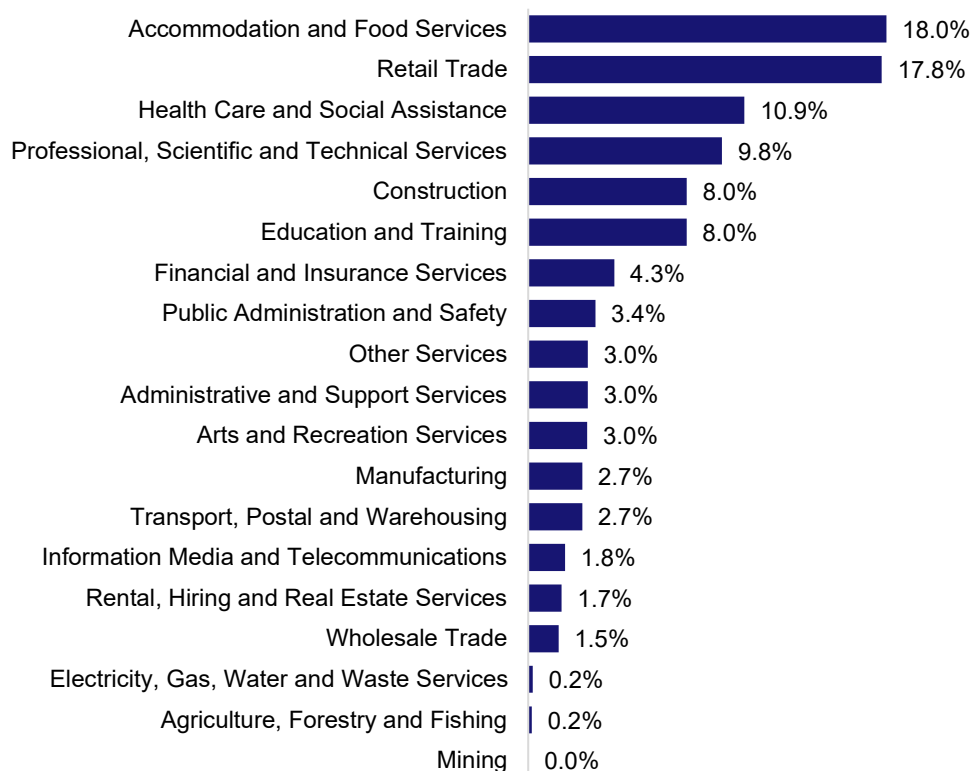
Number employed (Feb-26):	85,800
1 year employment change:	1.6%
5 year employment change:	3.0%
10 year employment change:	33.1%
Youth share of employment:	8.0%
Mature age share of employment:	6.3%

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026, except youth and mature age data which are from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.

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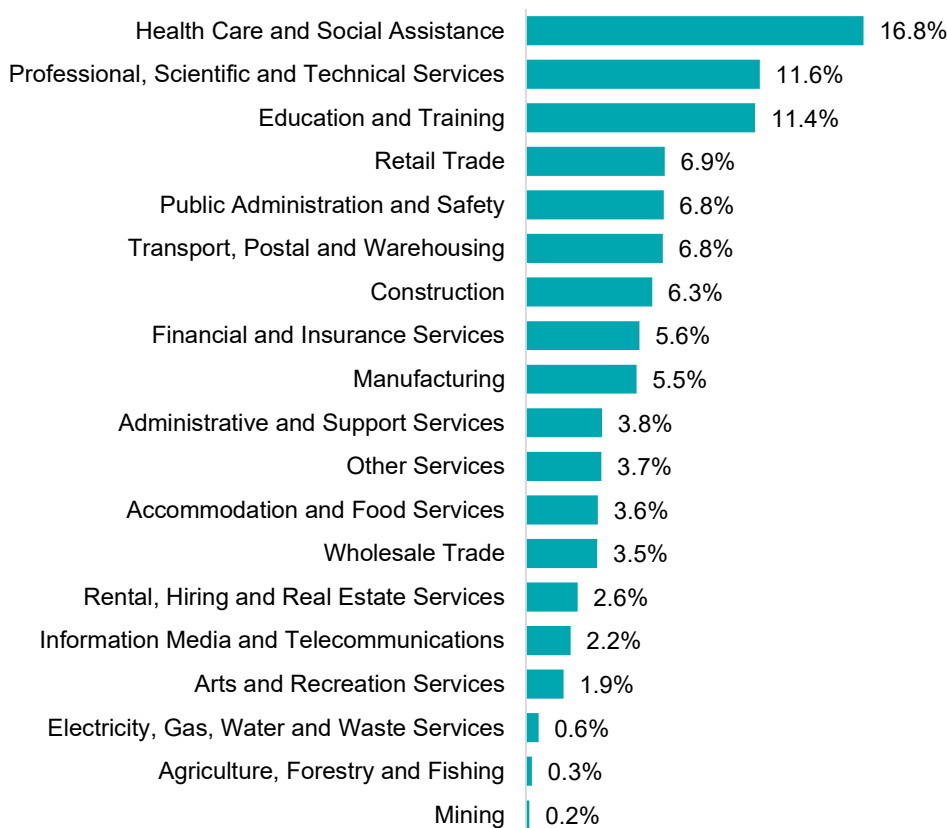
Employment characteristics by Industry

Which industries are youth (aged 15-24) employed in?



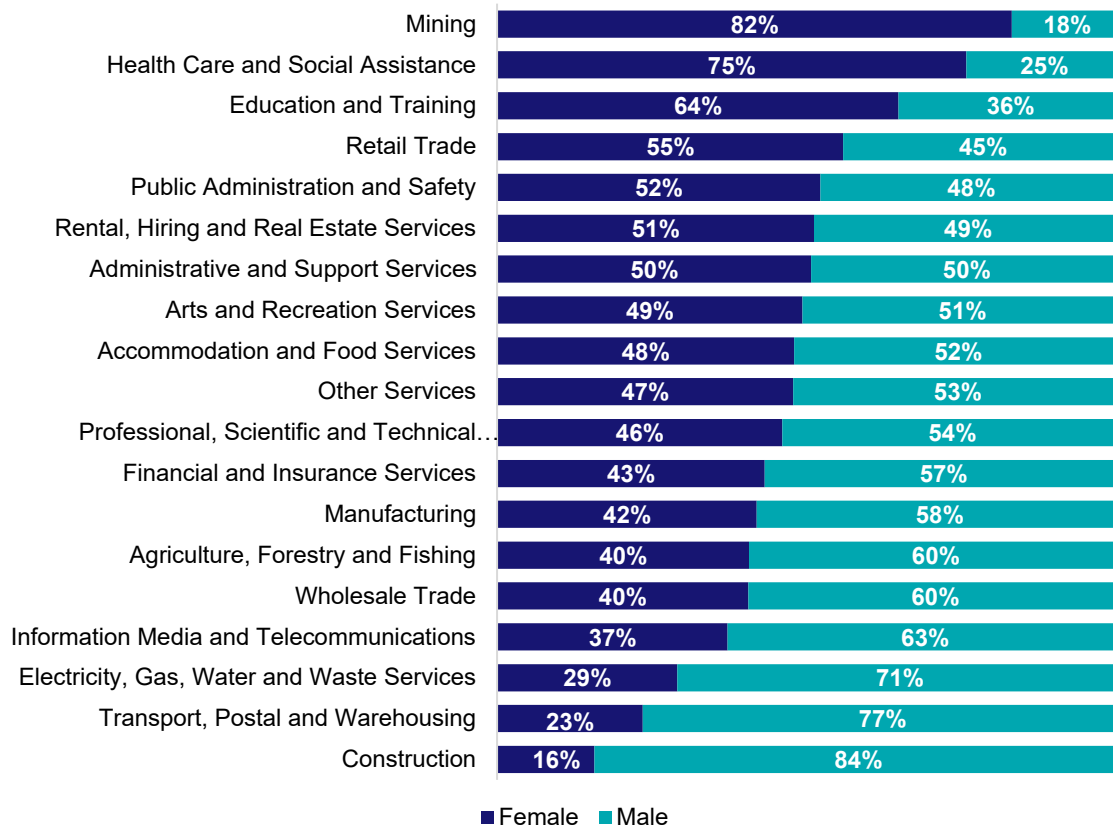
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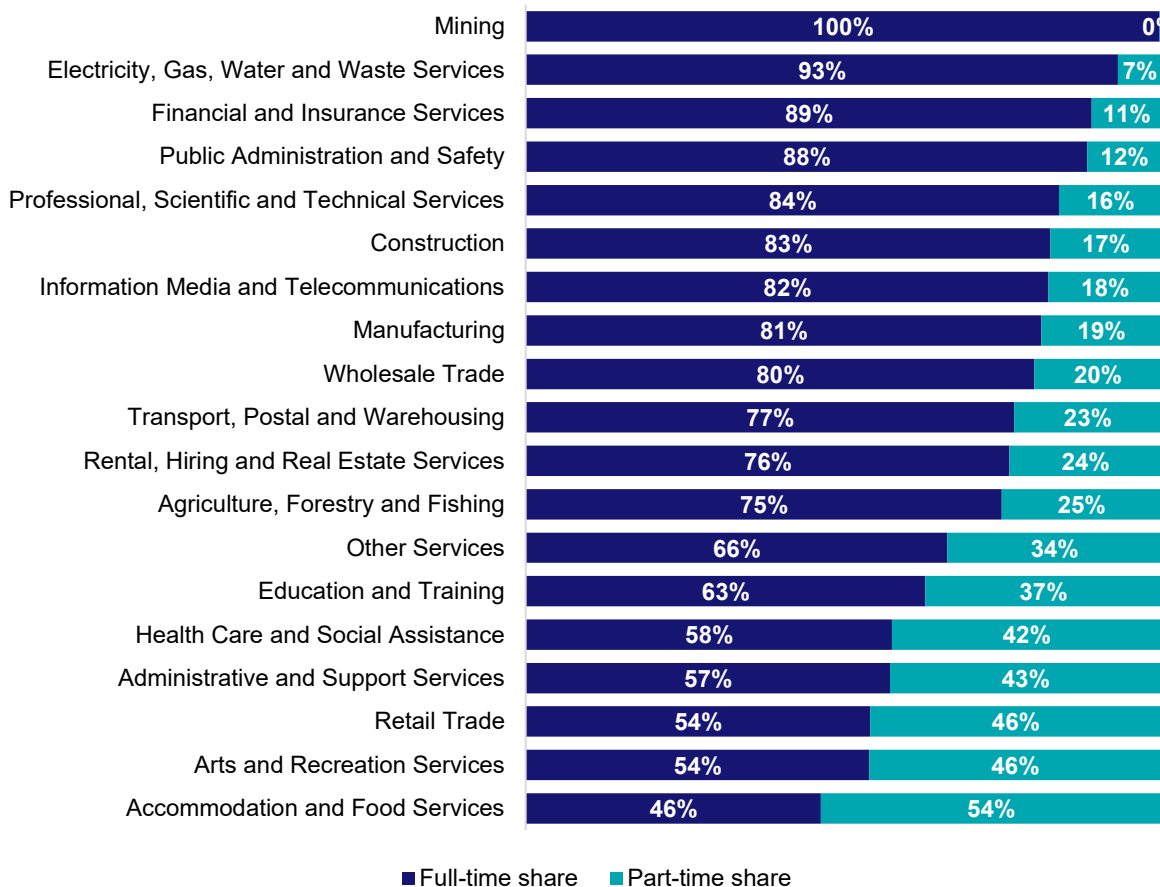
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Gender share by industry



Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026.

Full-time and part-time employment status by industry



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Appendix

Employment by industry, Sydney East Metro, February 2026

Industry (in order of size)	Share of employment in the region Feb-26 (%)	Employed ('000)			Full-time share %	Part-time share %	Median age *
		Feb-26	Feb-25	Feb-21			
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	14.5	153.1	148.7	140.6	84.0	16.0	37
Health Care and Social Assistance	13.0	137.6	136.7	113.6	57.7	42.3	40
Retail Trade	8.6	91.5	85.2	88.1	54.2	45.8	33
Education and Training	8.5	90.3	91.1	82.4	62.9	37.1	41
Construction	8.1	85.8	84.4	83.3	82.6	17.4	36
Financial and Insurance Services	7.8	82.4	75.1	75.8	89.1	10.9	38
Accommodation and Food Services	6.6	70.2	81.0	64.7	46.5	53.5	29
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	5.7	60.1	60.3	51.3	76.9	23.1	43
Public Administration and Safety	5.5	58.0	59.1	51.6	88.4	11.6	41
Manufacturing	4.8	50.9	47.5	39.4	81.2	18.8	42
Other Services	3.7	38.7	32.8	33.8	66.4	33.6	39
Administrative and Support Services	3.4	35.8	35.5	37.9	57.3	42.7	38
Arts and Recreation Services	2.5	26.5	25.9	21.2	54.1	45.9	35
Information Media and Telecommunications	2.2	23.1	27.7	27.6	82.3	17.7	38
Wholesale Trade	2.2	23.0	22.4	26.1	80.1	19.9	42
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	2.0	20.8	24.7	19.5	76.2	23.8	39
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	0.7	7.9	7.0	5.6	93.3	6.7	40
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	0.1	1.5	1.8	1.7	75.0	25.0	39
Mining	0.1	0.8	0.6	1.0	99.8	0.2	40
All industries	100.0	1058.3	1047.4	965.0	71.2	28.8	38

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Sydney Greater West Employment Region

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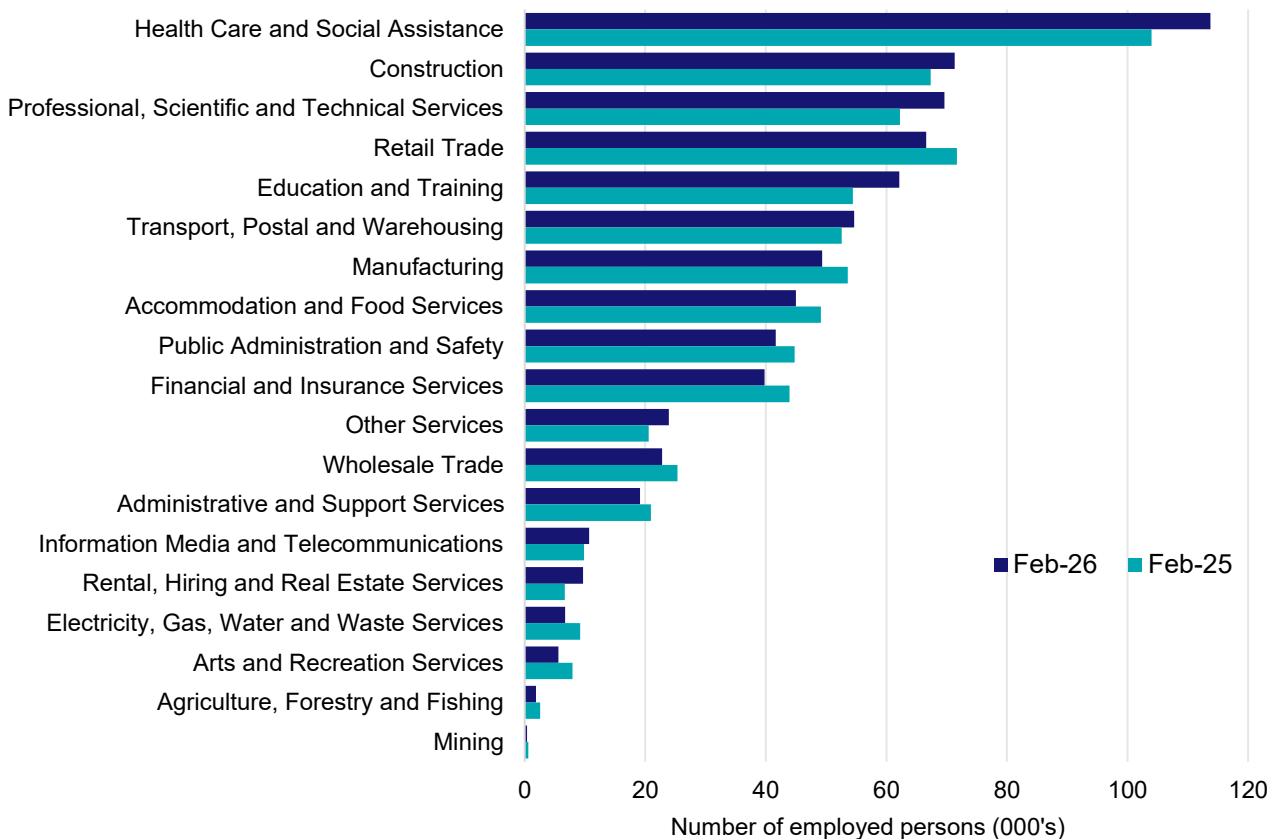
In February 2026, there were around 714,800 people employed in the Sydney Greater West Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Health Care and Social Assistance, Construction, Professional, Scientific and Technical Services, Retail Trade, and Education and Training. Together these 5 industries accounted for 54% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Health Care and Social Assistance rose by 9.4% to stand at 113,800
- Construction rose by 5.9% to stand at 71,300
- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services rose by 11.9% to stand at 69,700.

In Health Care and Social Assistance in the Sydney Greater West Employment Region, 62% of workers were employed full-time; 71% were female; and the median age of the workforce was 39.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025



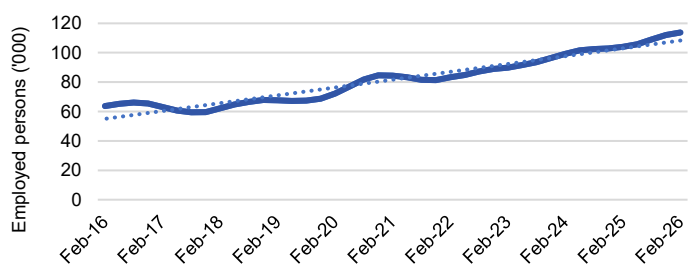
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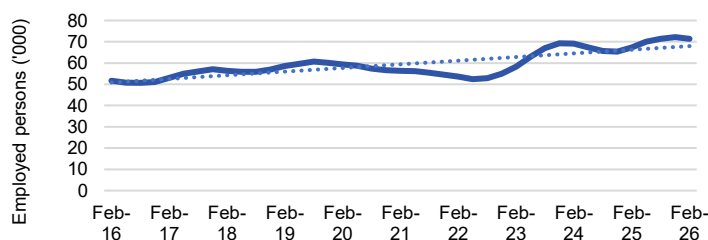
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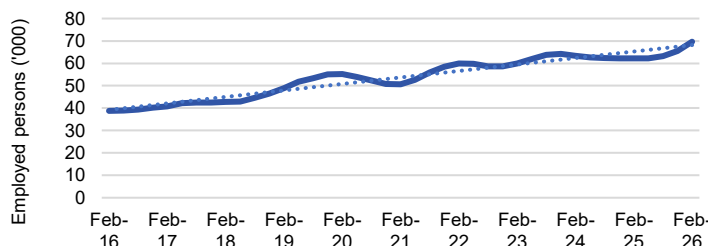
Number employed (Feb-26):	113,800
1 year employment change:	9.4%
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Youth share of employment:	11.8%
Mature age share of employment:	17.1%

Construction



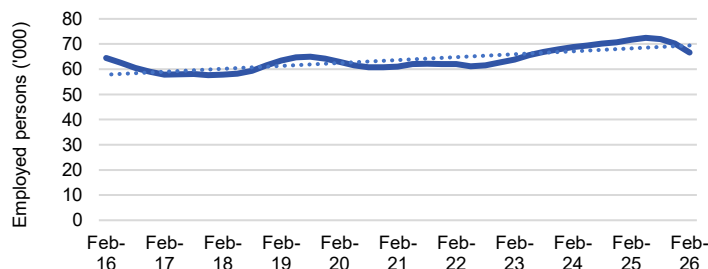
Number employed (Feb-26):	71,300
1 year employment change:	5.9%
5 year employment change:	26.8%
10 year employment change:	38.3%
Youth share of employment:	10.3%
Mature age share of employment:	7.6%

Professional, Scientific and Technical Services



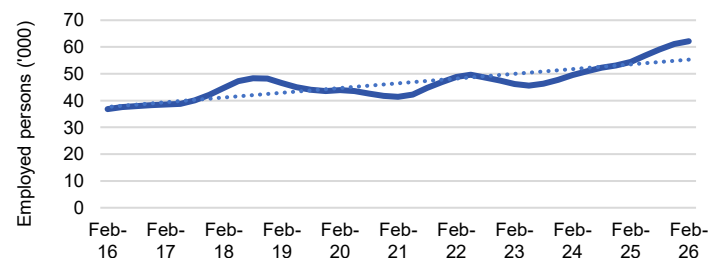
Number employed (Feb-26):	69,700
1 year employment change:	11.9%
5 year employment change:	37.4%
10 year employment change:	79.6%
Youth share of employment:	5.0%
Mature age share of employment:	5.8%

Retail Trade



Number employed (Feb-26):	66,600
1 year employment change:	-7.1%
5 year employment change:	9.2%
10 year employment change:	3.4%
Youth share of employment:	19.4%
Mature age share of employment:	7.8%

Education and Training



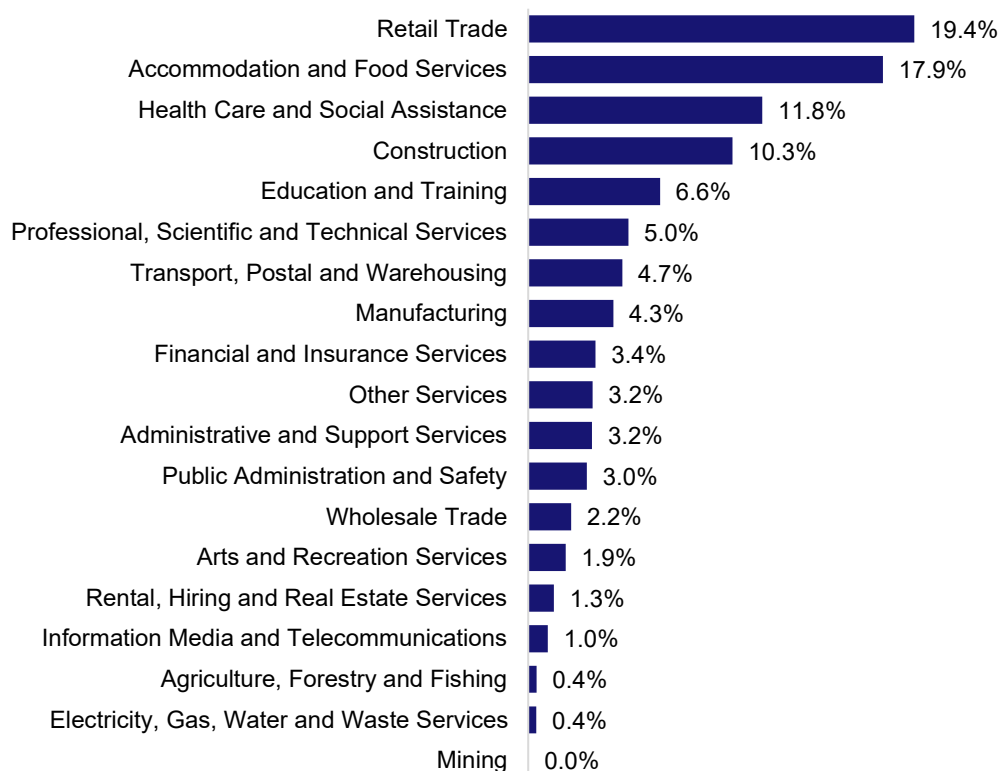
Number employed (Feb-26):	62,200
1 year employment change:	14.1%
5 year employment change:	50.1%
10 year employment change:	68.8%
Youth share of employment:	6.6%
Mature age share of employment:	10.1%

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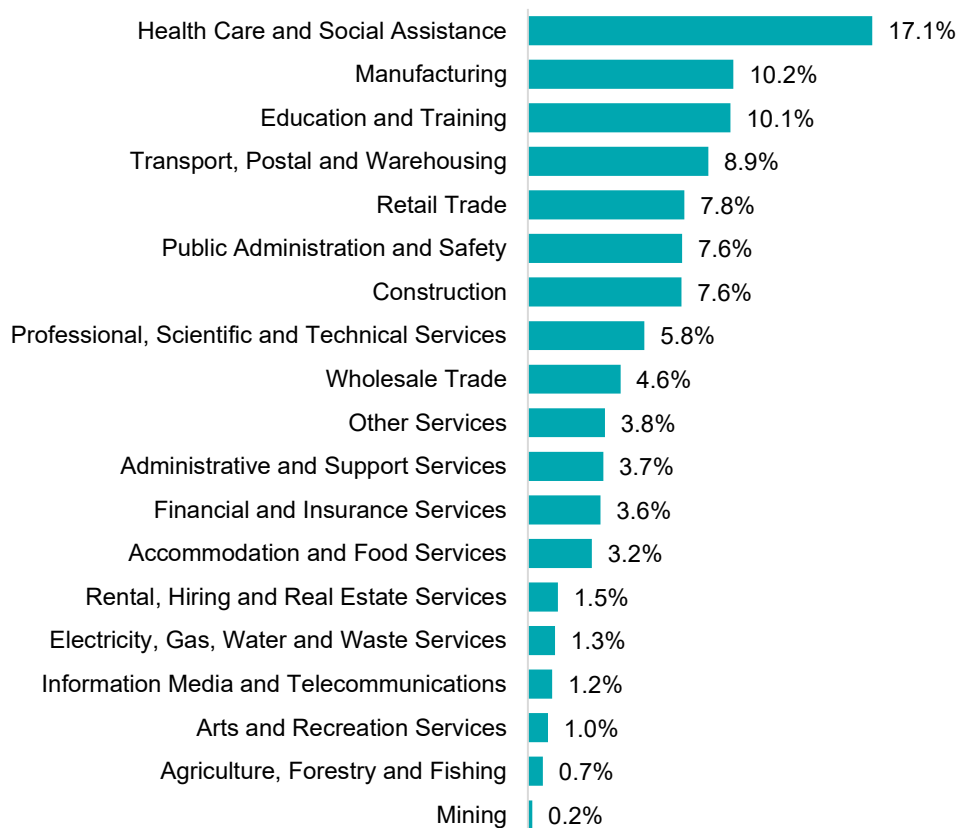
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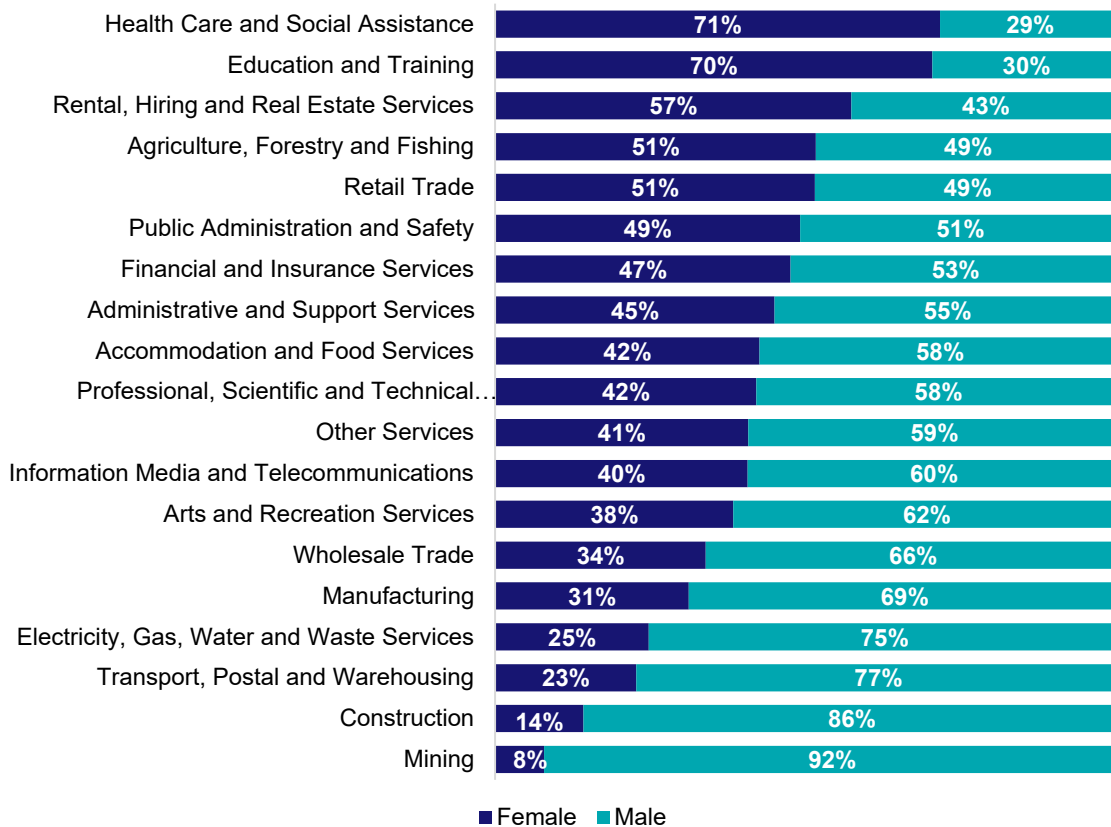
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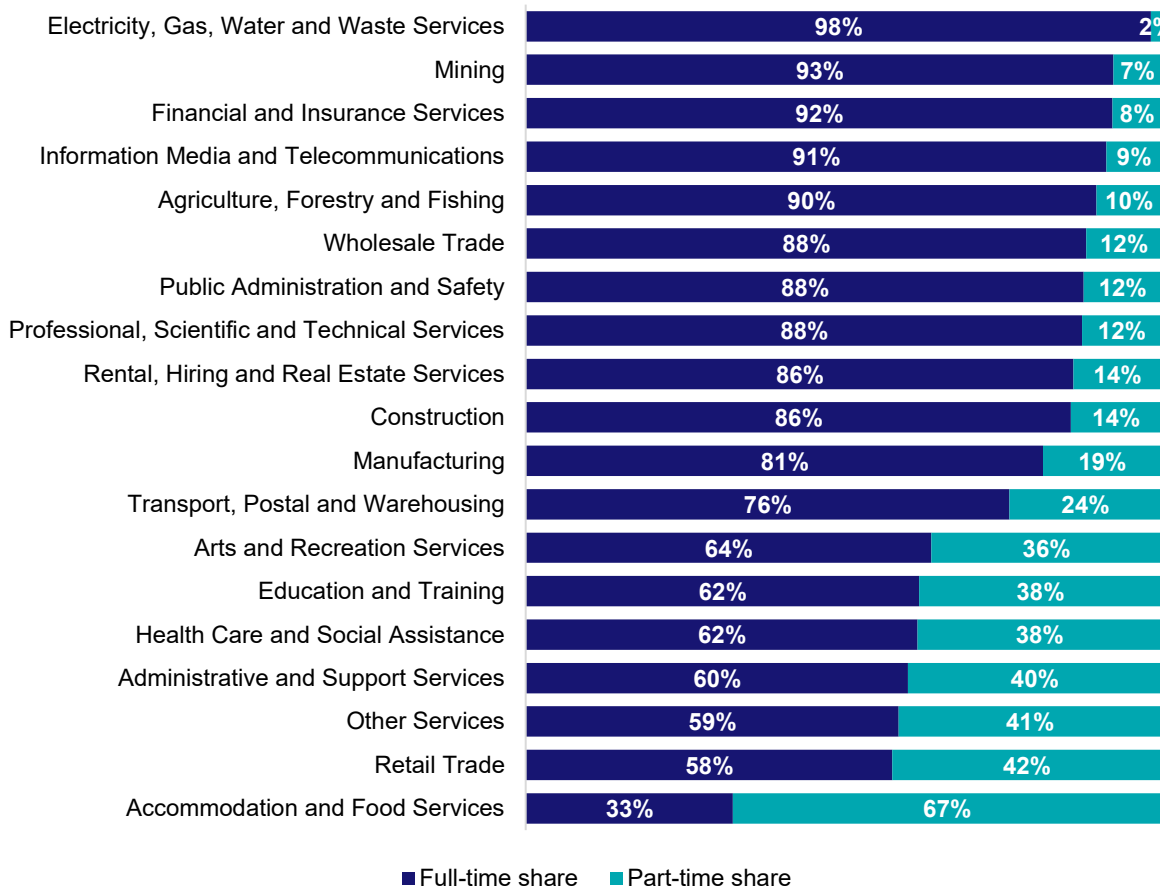
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Health Care and Social Assistance	15.9	113.8	104.0	84.3	61.7	38.3	39
Construction	10.0	71.3	67.3	56.3	85.8	14.2	37
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	9.7	69.7	62.3	50.7	87.6	12.4	37
Retail Trade	9.3	66.6	71.7	61.0	57.7	42.3	34
Education and Training	8.7	62.2	54.5	41.4	61.9	38.1	41
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	7.6	54.6	52.6	44.9	76.1	23.9	41
Manufacturing	6.9	49.4	53.6	49.0	81.5	18.5	43
Accommodation and Food Services	6.3	45.0	49.1	35.9	32.6	67.4	26
Public Administration and Safety	5.8	41.7	44.8	34.3	87.9	12.1	42
Financial and Insurance Services	5.6	39.8	43.9	33.7	92.4	7.6	38
Other Services	3.3	23.9	20.5	18.1	58.7	41.3	39
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Information Media and Telecommunications	1.5	10.7	9.8	12.6	91.5	8.5	38
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	1.4	9.7	6.7	7.8	86.2	13.8	38
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	0.9	6.7	9.2	8.0	98.4	1.6	41
Arts and Recreation Services	0.8	5.6	8.0	7.7	63.9	36.1	33
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	0.3	1.9	2.6	1.8	89.9	10.1	42
Mining	0.1	0.4	0.6	1.1	92.6	7.4	44
All industries	100.0	714.8	707.4	594.7	72.1	27.9	38

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Sydney North & West Employment Region

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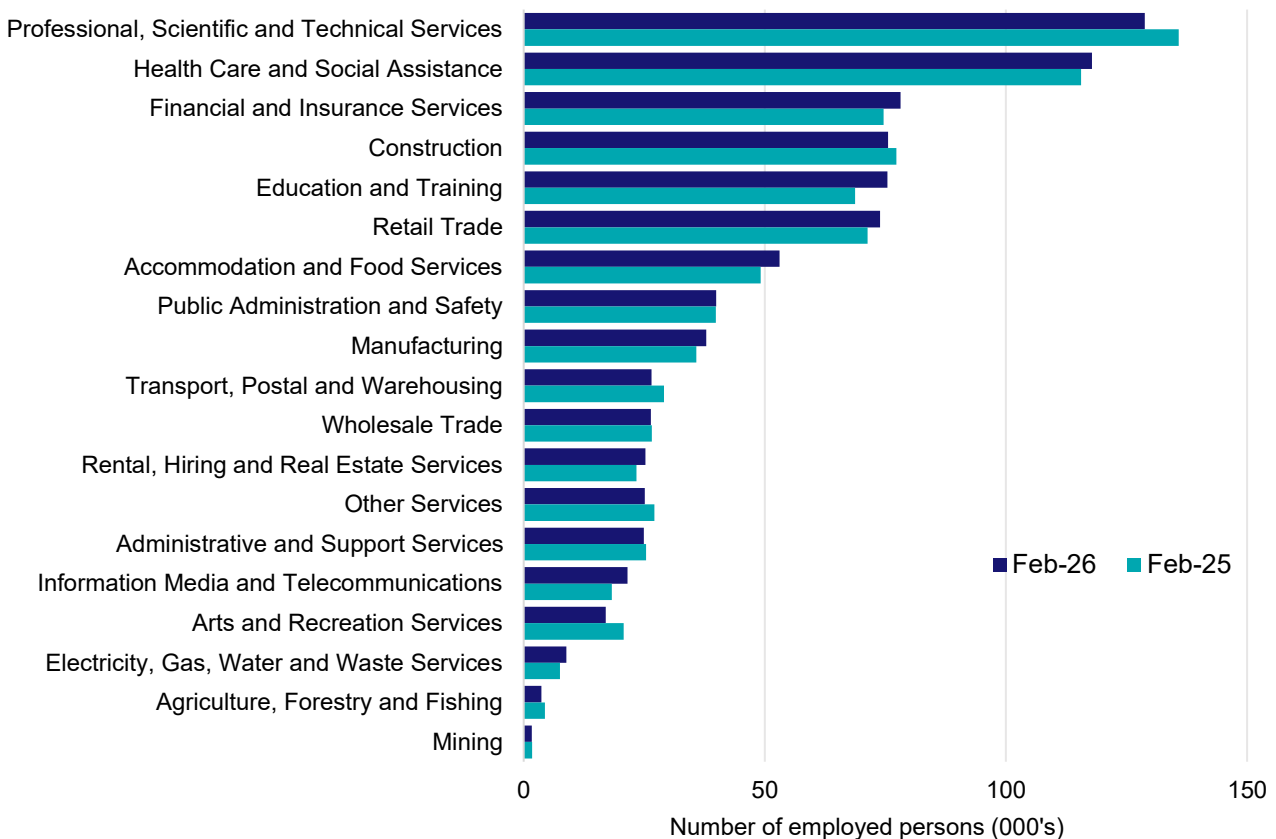
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Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services fell by 5.2% to stand at 128,800
- Health Care and Social Assistance rose by 1.9% to stand at 117,800
- Financial and Insurance Services rose by 4.7% to stand at 78,100.

In Professional, Scientific and Technical Services in the Sydney North & West Employment Region, 81% of workers were employed full-time; 57% were male; and the median age of the workforce was 42.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025

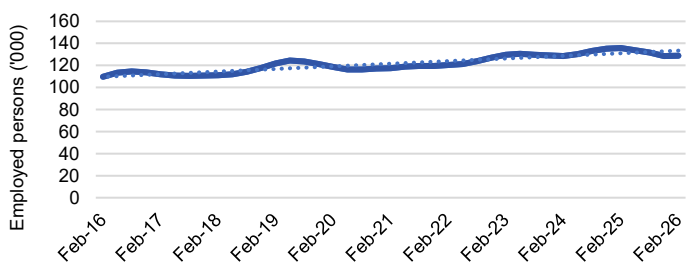


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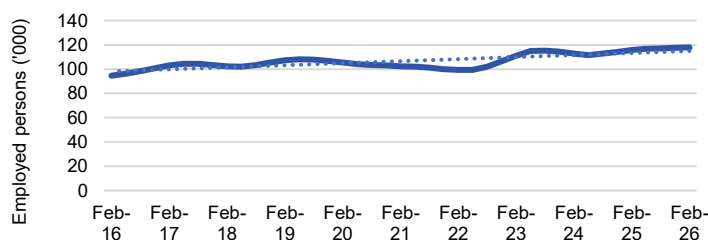
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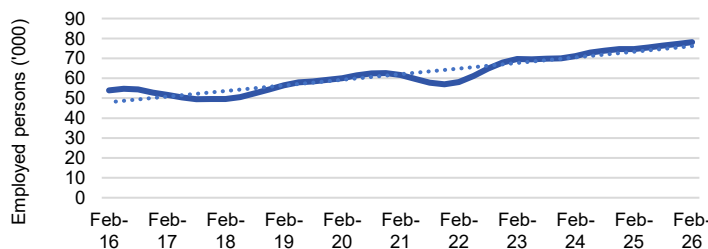
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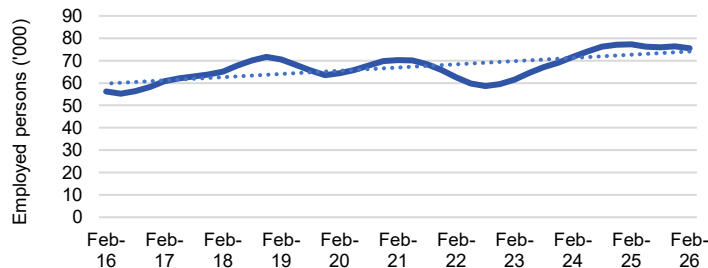
Number employed (Feb-26):	117,800
1 year employment change:	1.9%
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Youth share of employment:	11.1%
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Financial and Insurance Services



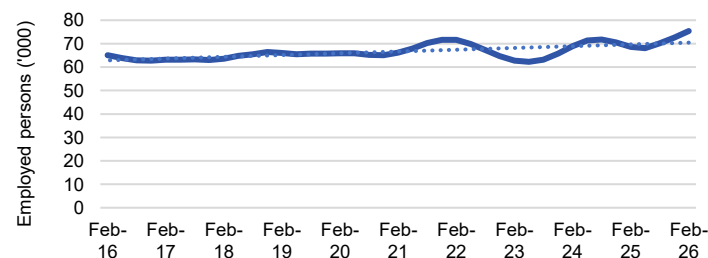
Number employed (Feb-26):	78,100
1 year employment change:	4.7%
5 year employment change:	26.7%
10 year employment change:	45.0%
Youth share of employment:	3.1%
Mature age share of employment:	6.3%

Construction



Number employed (Feb-26):	75,600
1 year employment change:	-2.3%
5 year employment change:	7.5%
10 year employment change:	34.5%
Youth share of employment:	9.9%
Mature age share of employment:	7.2%

Education and Training



Number employed (Feb-26):	75,400
1 year employment change:	9.8%
5 year employment change:	13.9%
10 year employment change:	16.0%
Youth share of employment:	8.7%
Mature age share of employment:	10.7%

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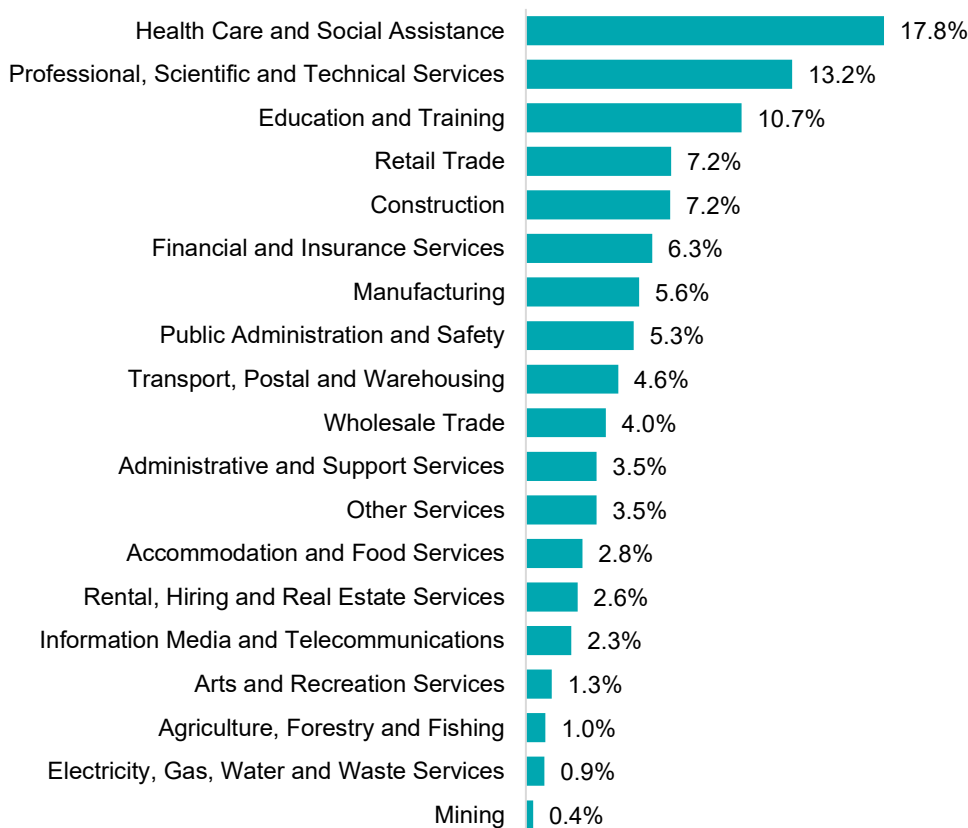
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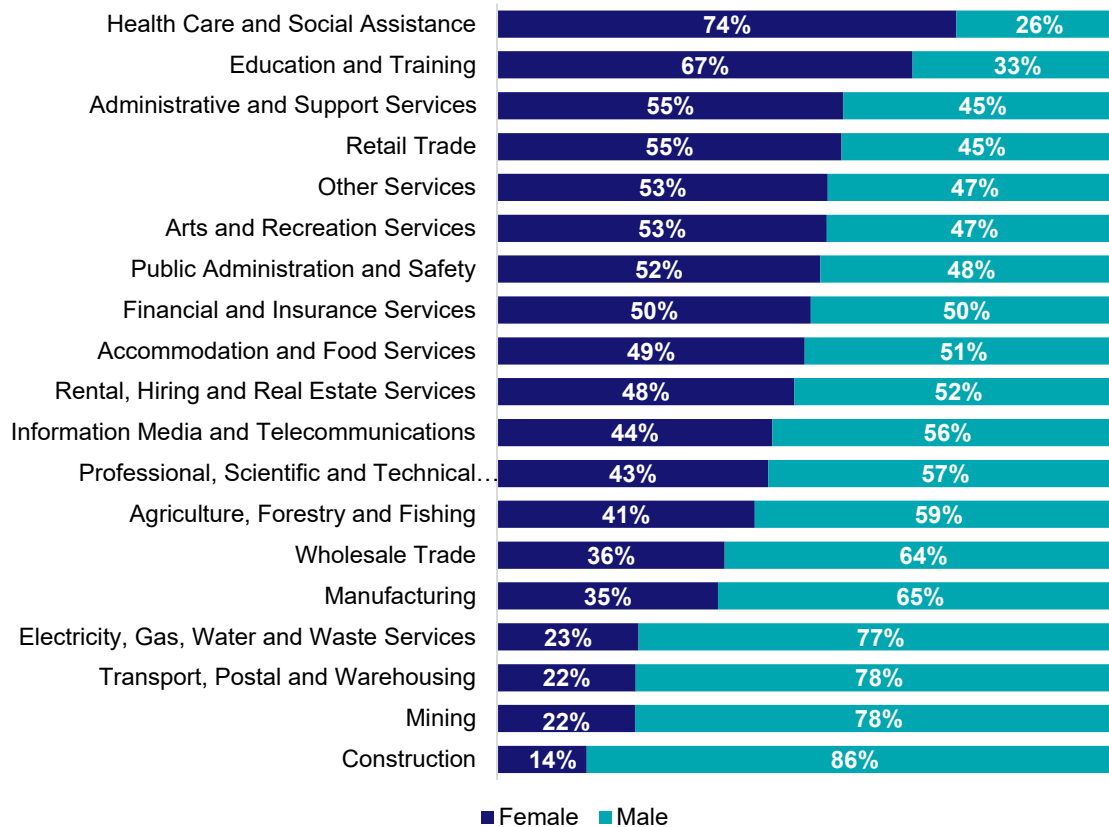
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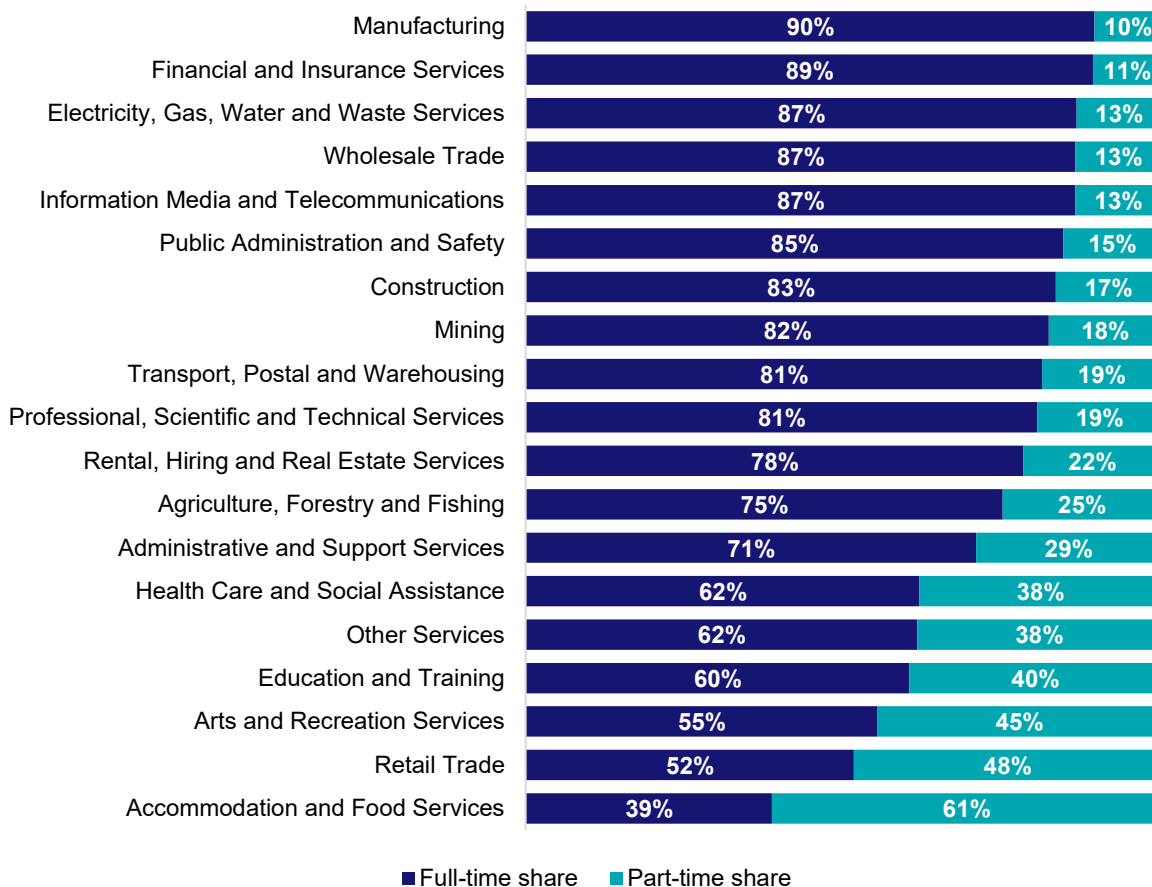
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Financial and Insurance Services	9.1	78.1	74.7	61.7	89.3	10.7	42
Construction	8.8	75.6	77.3	70.3	83.5	16.5	40
Education and Training	8.8	75.4	68.7	66.2	60.4	39.6	44
Retail Trade	8.6	73.9	71.3	71.5	51.7	48.3	35
Accommodation and Food Services	6.2	53.1	49.1	41.8	38.8	61.2	26
Public Administration and Safety	4.6	39.9	39.9	37.2	84.6	15.4	45
Manufacturing	4.4	37.9	35.8	44.4	89.6	10.4	44
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	3.1	26.5	29.1	24.5	81.3	18.7	48
Wholesale Trade	3.1	26.3	26.6	26.2	86.6	13.4	45
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	2.9	25.3	23.4	16.7	78.4	21.6	43
Other Services	2.9	25.1	27.1	26.2	61.6	38.4	42
Administrative and Support Services	2.9	24.9	25.4	26.2	70.9	29.1	44
Information Media and Telecommunications	2.5	21.6	18.3	22.2	86.5	13.5	42
Arts and Recreation Services	2.0	17.0	20.7	15.0	55.4	44.6	36
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.0	8.8	7.5	7.1	86.8	13.2	45
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	0.4	3.7	4.4	3.2	75.1	24.9	50
Mining	0.2	1.7	1.8	2.4	82.4	17.6	48
All industries	100.0	861.4	852.4	782.6	71.9	28.1	42

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Overview

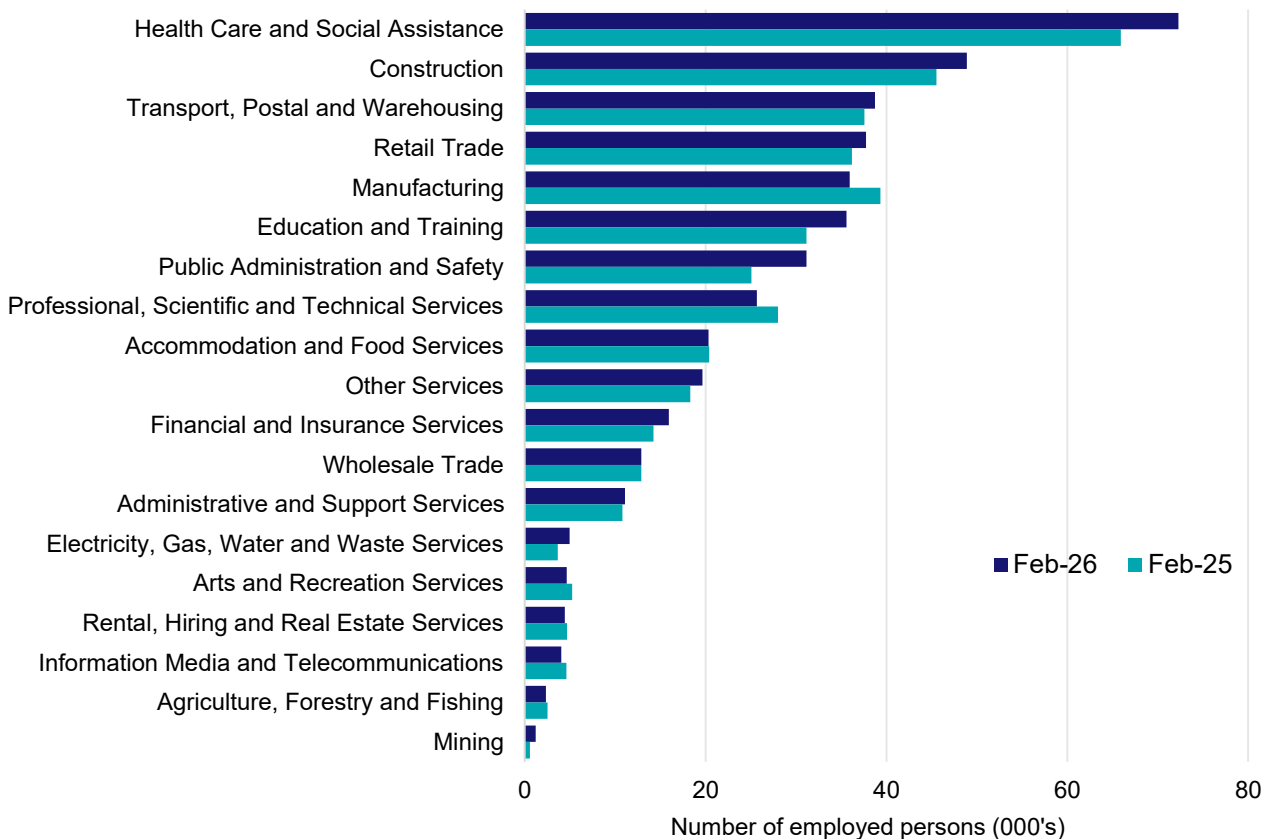
In February 2026, there were around 427,600 people employed in the Sydney South West Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Health Care and Social Assistance, Construction, Transport, Postal and Warehousing, Retail Trade, and Manufacturing. Together these 5 industries accounted for 55% of employment in the region.

Over the year to February 2026, employment in:

- Health Care and Social Assistance rose by 9.7% to stand at 72,300
- Construction rose by 7.3% to stand at 48,900
- Transport, Postal and Warehousing rose by 3.1% to stand at 38,700.

In Health Care and Social Assistance in the Sydney South West Employment Region, 64% of workers were employed full-time; 76% were female; and the median age of the workforce was 40.

Employment by industry, February 2026 and February 2025



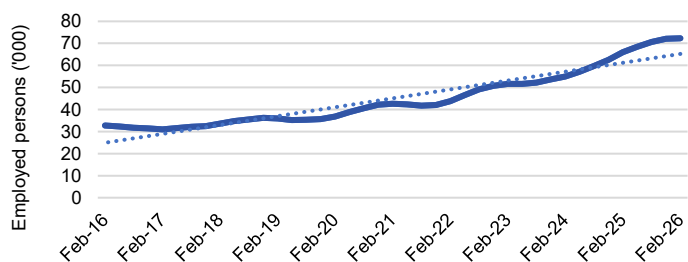
Source: ABS Labour Force Survey*, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026. Note that total employment for the region (four quarter averaged data) will not match data published in the Employment Region Labour Market dashboards (modelled estimates).

*ABS Labour Force Survey data are based on the combined SA4s of Sydney - Outer South West; and Sydney - South West.

Notes: Data are the latest available. A high degree of caution should be exercised when interpreting data at the regional level, particularly in regards to percentage changes, given the volatility of the underlying data. For any enquiries related to the data in this report, please contact RegionalWorkforceAssessment@jobsandskills.gov.au

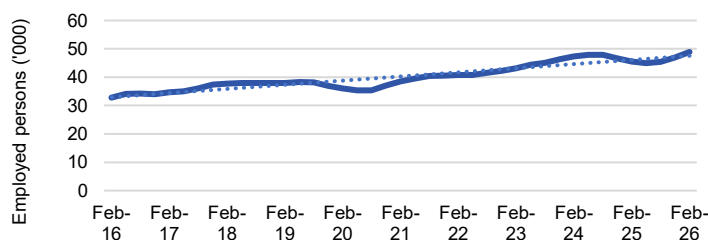
Five largest employing industries: key statistics

Health Care and Social Assistance



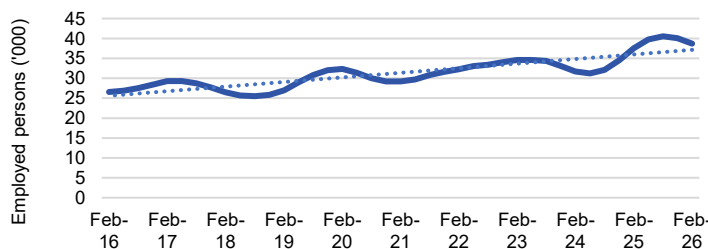
Number employed (Feb-26):	72,300
1 year employment change:	9.7%
5 year employment change:	69.5%
10 year employment change:	120.8%
Youth share of employment:	10.7%
Mature age share of employment:	14.7%

Construction



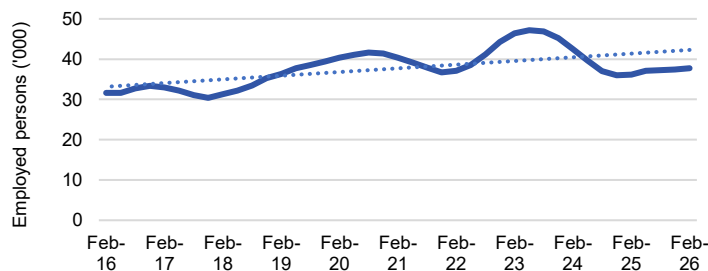
Number employed (Feb-26):	48,900
1 year employment change:	7.3%
5 year employment change:	26.9%
10 year employment change:	49.1%
Youth share of employment:	11.8%
Mature age share of employment:	8.2%

Transport, Postal and Warehousing



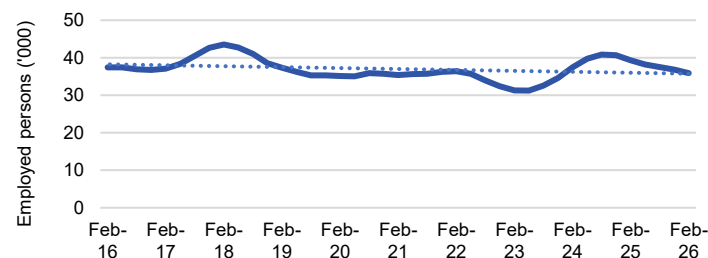
Number employed (Feb-26):	38,700
1 year employment change:	3.1%
5 year employment change:	32.7%
10 year employment change:	45.9%
Youth share of employment:	4.6%
Mature age share of employment:	10.6%

Retail Trade



Number employed (Feb-26):	37,800
1 year employment change:	4.4%
5 year employment change:	-6.4%
10 year employment change:	19.5%
Youth share of employment:	19.6%
Mature age share of employment:	8.7%

Manufacturing



Number employed (Feb-26):	35,900
1 year employment change:	-8.6%
5 year employment change:	1.6%
10 year employment change:	-4.1%
Youth share of employment:	4.4%
Mature age share of employment:	13.6%

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026, except youth and mature age data which are from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.

Notes: In each chart, the solid line is the level of employment and the dotted line is a simple linear trend line for the 10 year period. Given the volatility of the underlying data, employment estimates should be treated with a high degree of caution. Particular focus should be placed on the employment series over time to ascertain more reliable long-term growth trends.

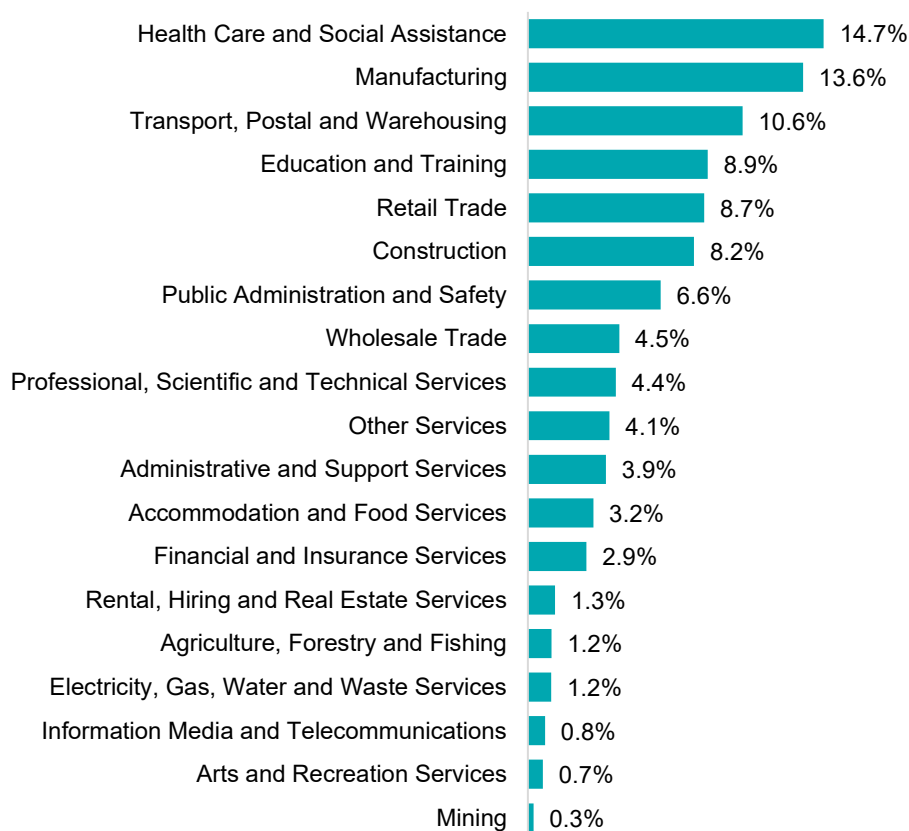
Employment characteristics by Industry

Which industries are youth (aged 15-24) employed in?



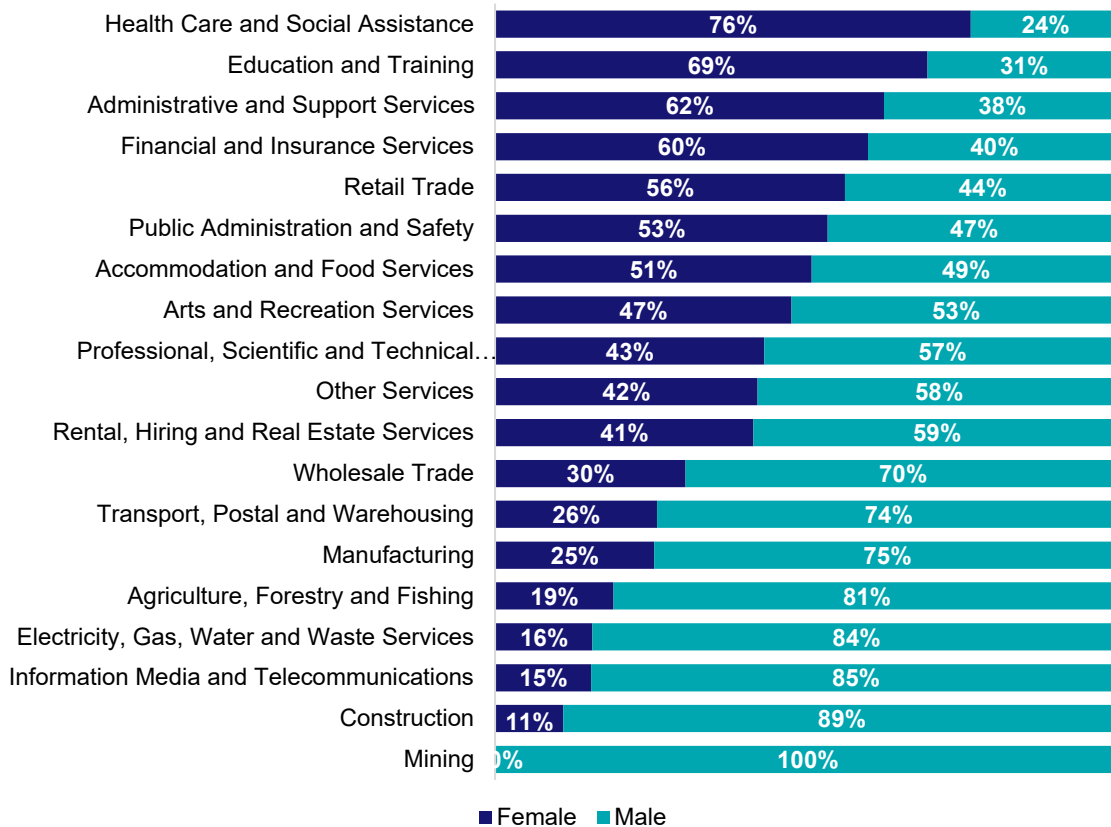
Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.

Which industries are mature age persons (aged 55+) employed in?



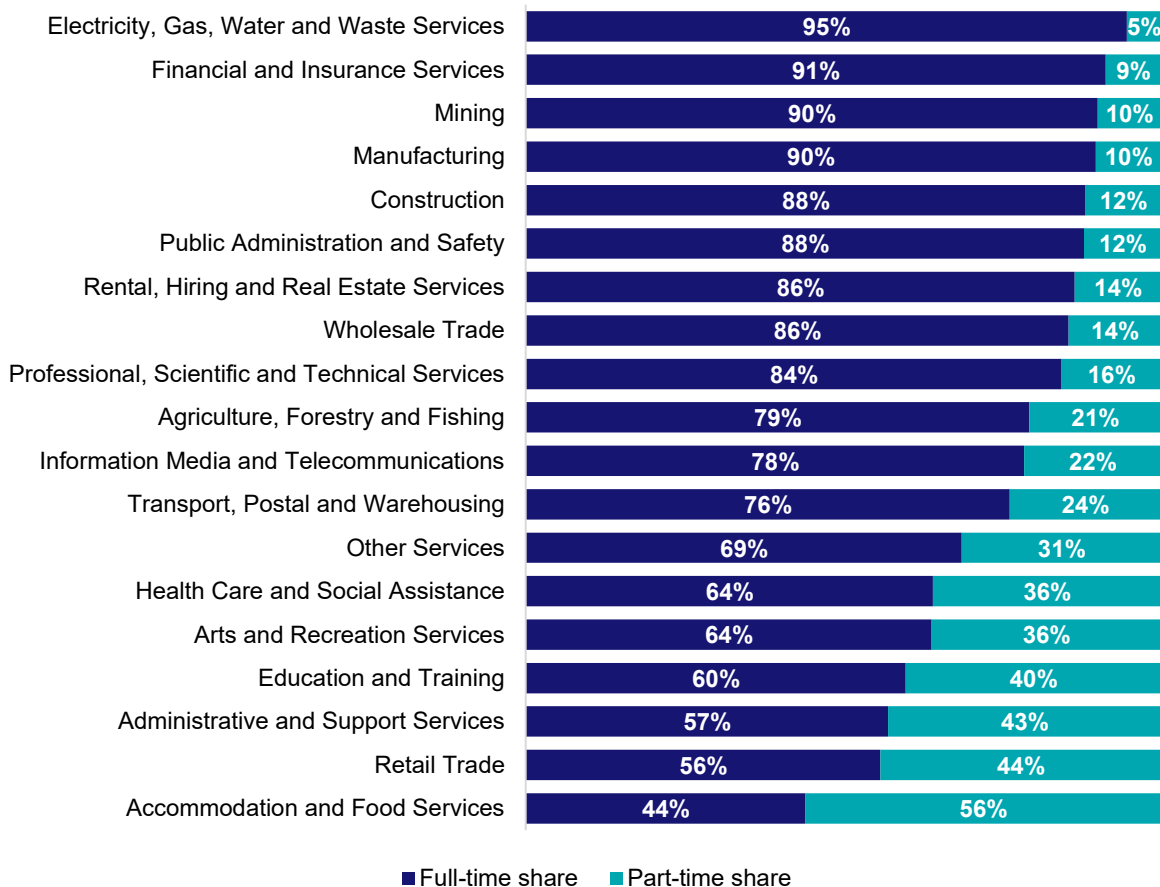
Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021. Note: SA2 level Census data have been aggregated to the Employment Region level.

Gender share by industry



Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026.

Full-time and part-time employment status by industry



Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026.

Appendix

Employment by industry, Sydney South West, February 2026

Industry (in order of size)	Share of employment in the region Feb-26 (%)	Employed ('000)			Full-time share %	Part-time share %	Median age *
		Feb-26	Feb-25	Feb-21			
Health Care and Social Assistance	16.9	72.3	65.9	42.7	64.1	35.9	40
Construction	11.4	48.9	45.6	38.5	88.2	11.8	36
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	9.1	38.7	37.6	29.2	76.2	23.8	43
Retail Trade	8.8	37.8	36.2	40.4	55.9	44.1	35
Manufacturing	8.4	35.9	39.3	35.4	89.8	10.2	46
Education and Training	8.3	35.6	31.2	24.4	59.8	40.2	40
Public Administration and Safety	7.3	31.2	25.1	19.9	87.9	12.1	41
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	6.0	25.7	28.0	18.4	84.4	15.6	37
Accommodation and Food Services	4.8	20.3	20.4	19.1	44.0	56.0	25
Other Services	4.6	19.7	18.3	14.0	68.7	31.3	40
Financial and Insurance Services	3.7	15.9	14.2	13.0	91.3	8.7	37
Wholesale Trade	3.0	12.9	12.9	16.2	85.5	14.5	43
Administrative and Support Services	2.6	11.1	10.8	11.8	57.1	42.9	41
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.2	5.0	3.6	3.3	94.7	5.3	42
Arts and Recreation Services	1.1	4.6	5.2	4.3	63.9	36.1	31
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	1.0	4.4	4.7	4.9	86.4	13.6	38
Information Media and Telecommunications	0.9	4.1	4.6	5.2	78.5	21.5	37
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	0.5	2.3	2.5	3.9	79.3	20.7	48
Mining	0.3	1.2	0.6	1.6	90.1	9.9	44
All industries	100.0	427.6	406.7	346.1	73.6	26.4	39

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, February 2026. *Median age is from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021. Median age has been derived using aggregated SA2s for the Employment Region.

Note: Small cells should be viewed with caution due to small sample sizes and regional volatility.