

Labour Market Dashboard New South Wales

Data current as at 23 July 2026

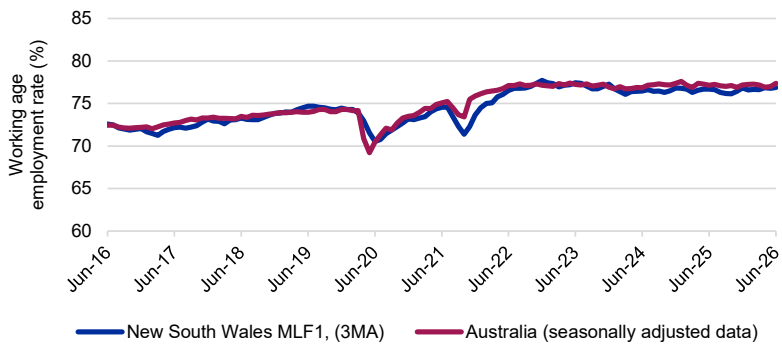
Refer to source notes for data reference periods

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

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	Working Age Employment Rate		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Working Age Participation Rate		Youth unemployment rate	
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New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
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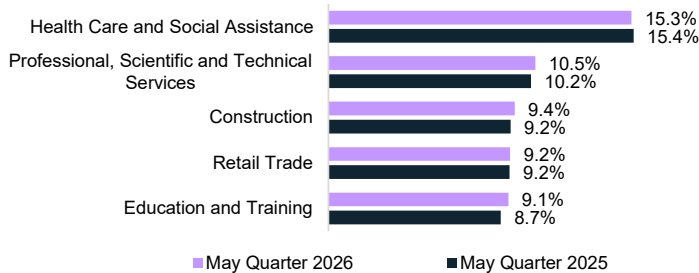
Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted, June-26, except for state & territory data's youth unemployment rate which uses a 12 month average (12MA) of MLF1 modelled estimate data and working age employment and participation rate which uses a 3 month average (3MA).

Working age employment rate



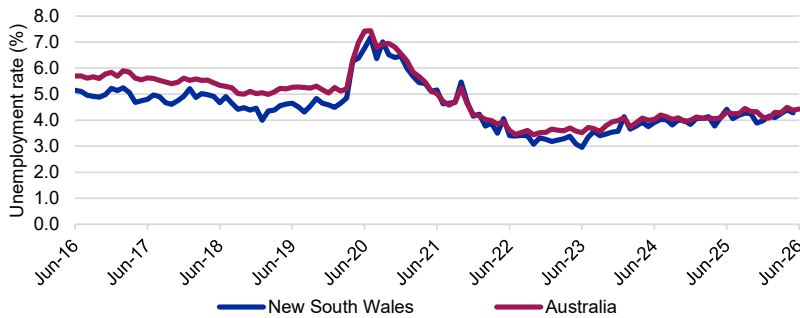
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted & MLF1 data (3MA), June -26

Largest employing industries



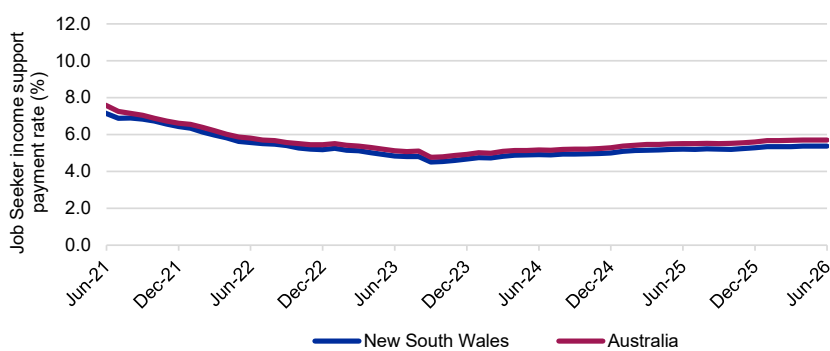
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Unemployment rate



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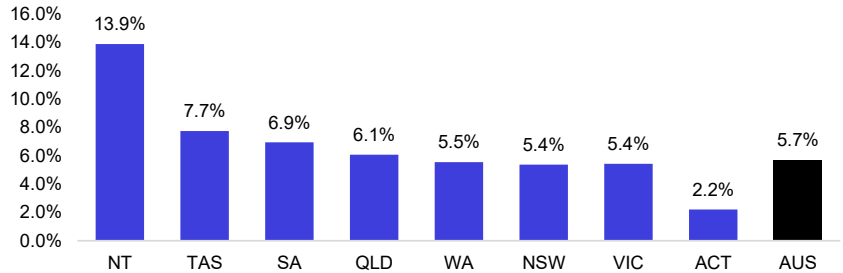
% of 15-64 year olds* on JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

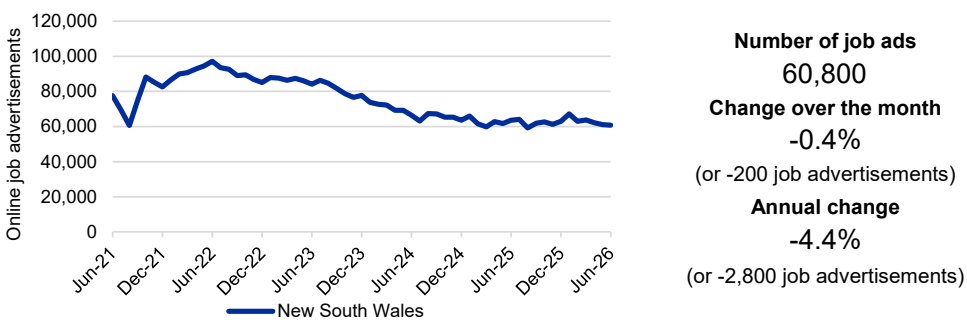
	New South Wales	Australia
Payments - June 2025	280,995	985,160
Payments - June 2026	292,975	1,034,765
Change (June 2025 to June 2026)	↑ 11,980	↑ 49,605
Change % (June 2025 to June 2026)	↑ 4.3%	↑ 5.0%

% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments



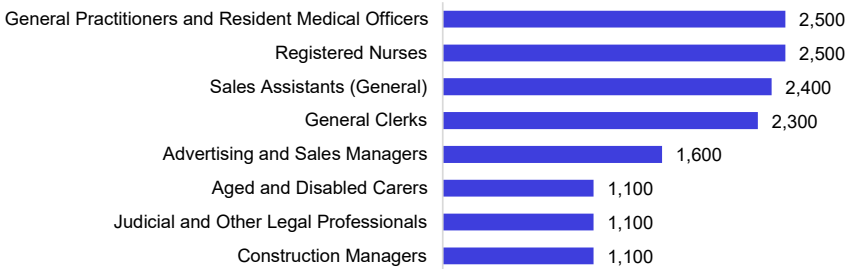
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Online job advertisements



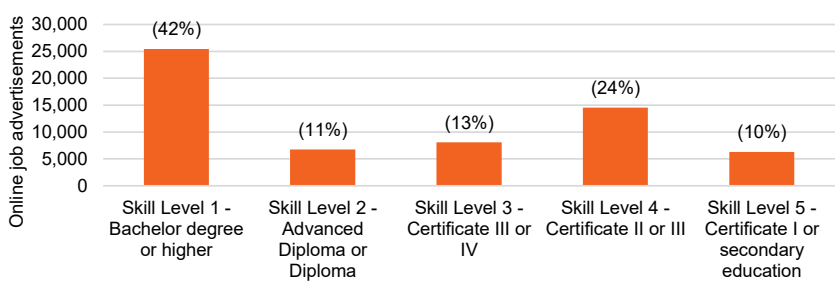
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Online job advertisements by occupation



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Online job advertisements by skill level



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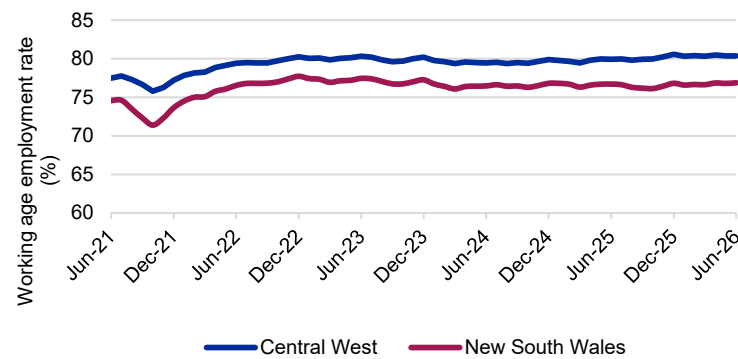
Notes: JobSeeker income support is a combination of the JobSeeker payment and Youth Allowance (other) payment. Working age population refers to those aged 15-64 years and youth age population refers to those aged 15-24 years. For enquiries related to this dashboard, contact RegionalWorkforceAssessment@jobsandskills.gov.au.

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	(%)	(%)	('000)	('000)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Central West	80.4	79.9	4.4	4.2	6.3	3.7	3.5	83.7	83.0	8.3	7.9
New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
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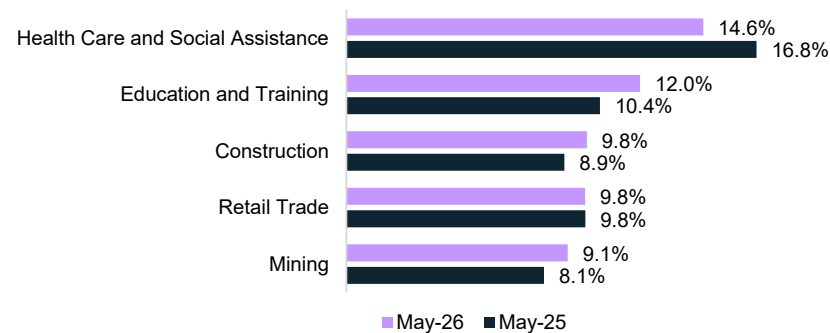
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Working age employment rate (%)



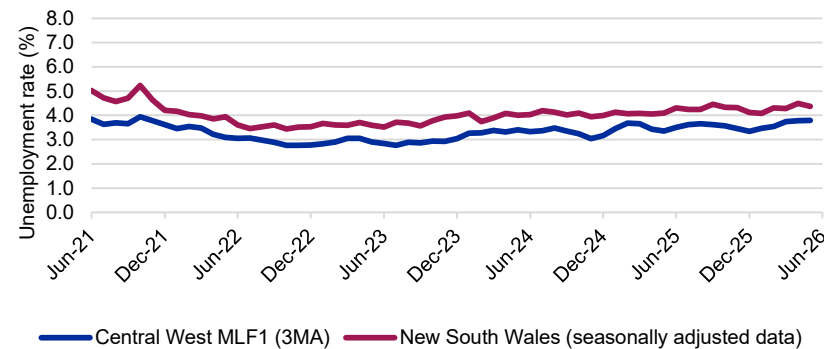
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Largest employing industries



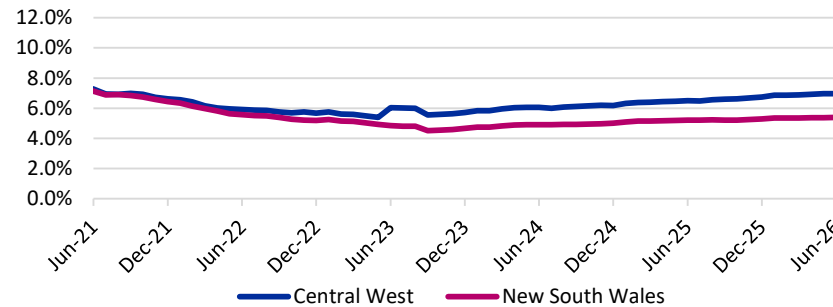
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Unemployment rate



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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Central West	New South Wales
Payments - June 2025	8,420	280,995
Payments - June 2026	8,985	292,975
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	↑ 565	↑ 11,980
	↑ 6.7%	↑ 4.3%

% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments

	total persons on JobSeeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support
Central West	8,985	7.0%
New South Wales	292,975	5.4%
Australia	1,034,765	5.7%

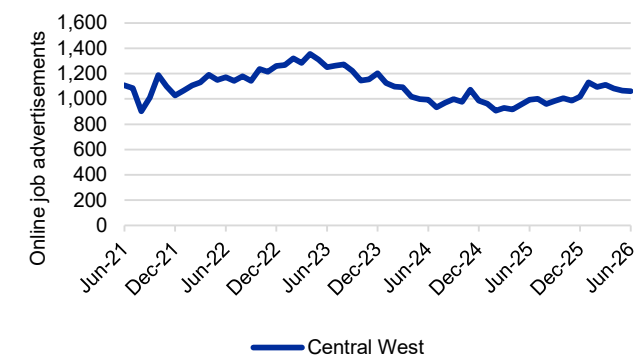
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Lithgow	4.9	3.4
Cowra	4.9	4.0
Lachlan	4.7	3.6
Parkes	4.5	3.2
Forbes	3.4	2.4

Source: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-26 quarter

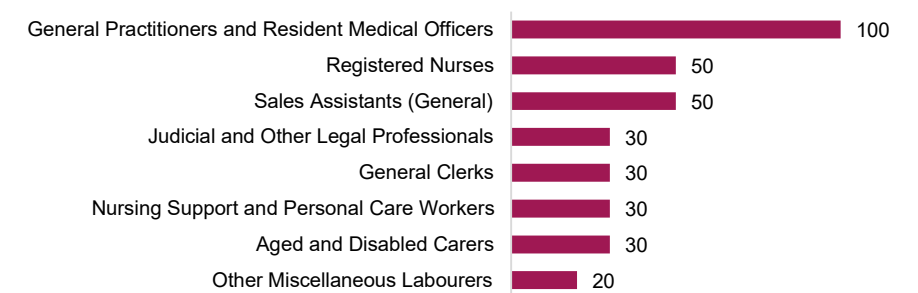
Online job advertisements



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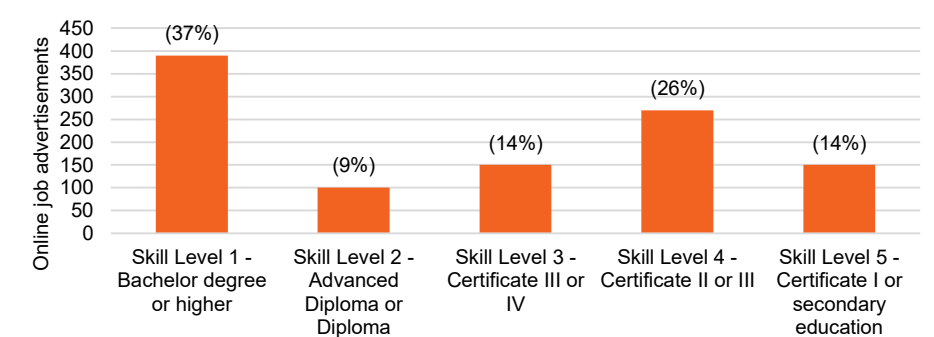
Number of job ads
1,100
Change over the month
-0.4%
(110 job advertisements)
Annual change
6.7%
(job advertisements)

Online job advertisements by occupation



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Online job advertisements by skill level



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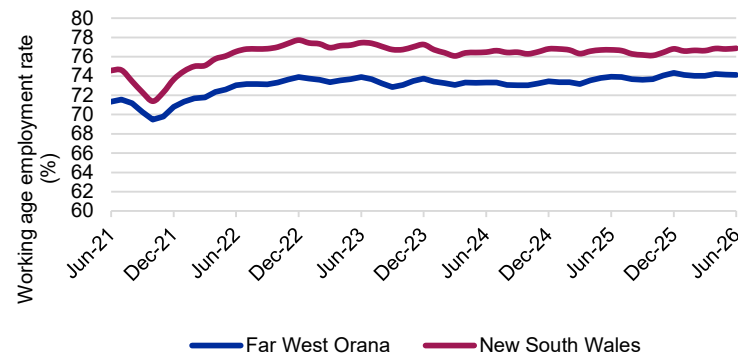
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	(%)	(%)	('000)	('000)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Far West Orana	74.1	73.9	2.3	2.2	5.1	4.0	3.8	77.5	77.1	10.1	10.0
New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
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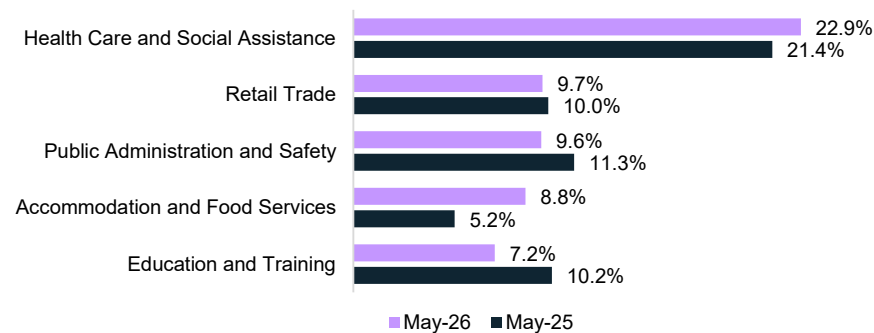
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Working age employment rate (%)



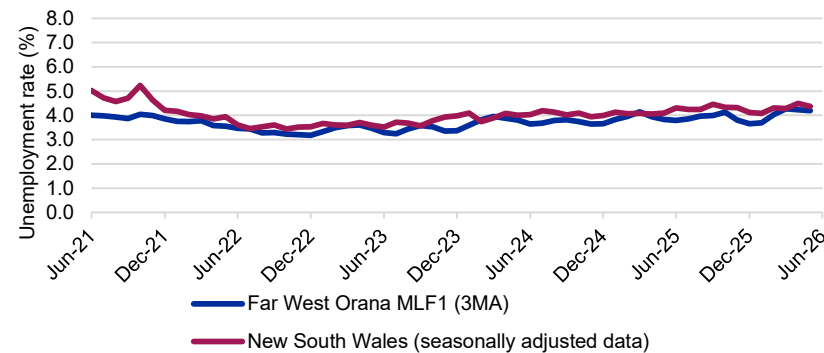
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Largest employing industries



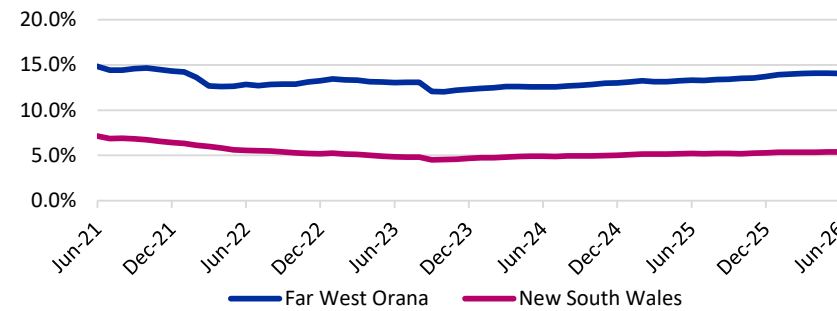
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, 4 quarter averages, May-26 quarter

Unemployment rate



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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Far West Orana	New South Wales
Payments - June 2025	9,150	280,995
Payments - June 2026	9,495	292,975
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	345	11,980
	3.8%	4.3%

% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments

	total persons on JobSeeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support
Far West Orana	9,495	14.1%
New South Wales	292,975	5.4%
Australia	1,034,765	5.7%

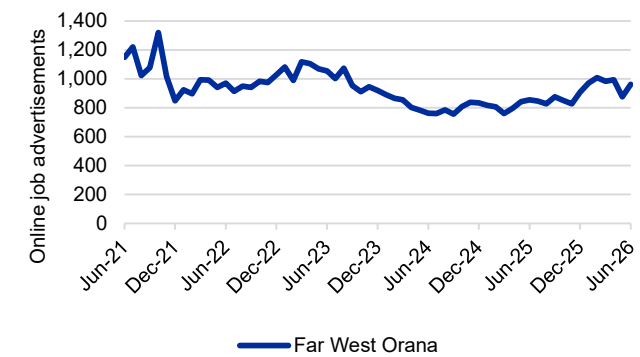
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Walgett	7.1	10.2
Coonamble	4.2	5.7
Broken Hill	3.1	4.7
Warrumbungle	3.0	3.8
Warren	2.8	4.0

Source: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-26 quarter

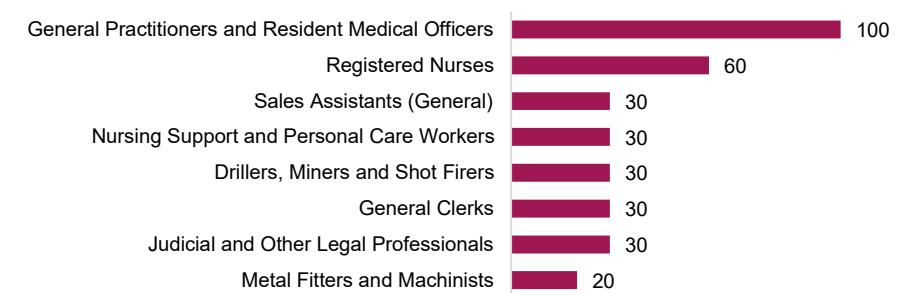
Online job advertisements



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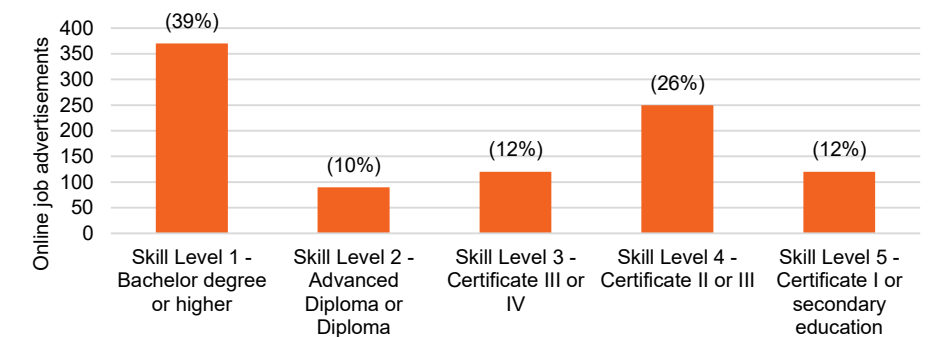
Number of job ads
960
Change over the month
9.9%
(100 job advertisements)
Annual change
12.4%
(80 job advertisements)

Online job advertisements by occupation



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Online job advertisements by skill level



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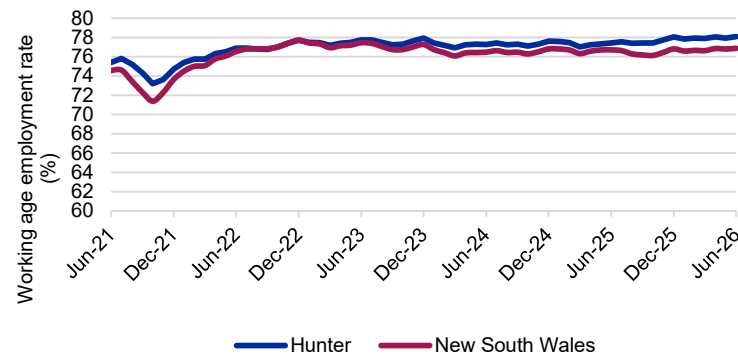
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Hunter	78.1	77.4	17.0	16.1	5.4	4.4	4.2	81.8	81.0	10.2	9.8
New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
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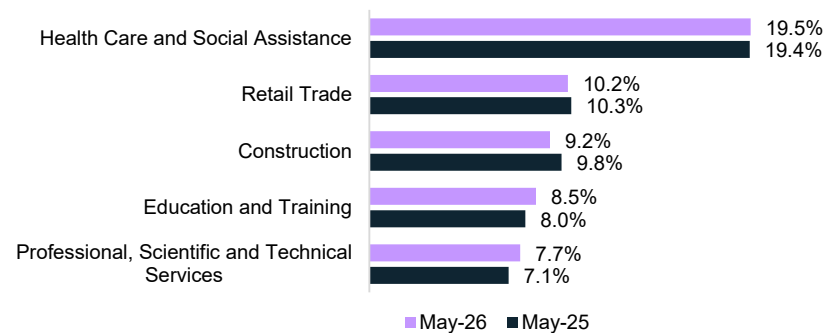
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Working age employment rate (%)



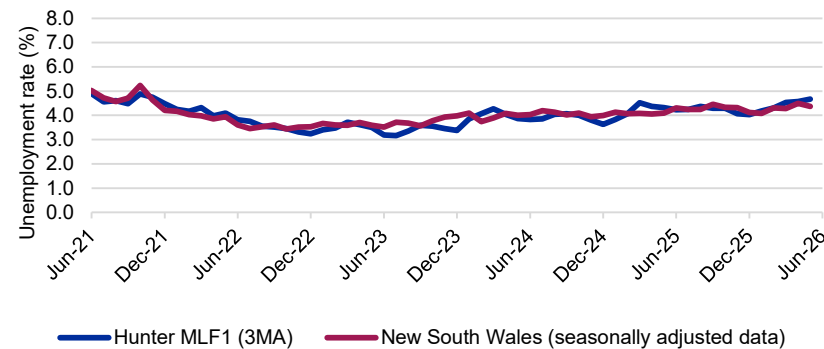
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Largest employing industries



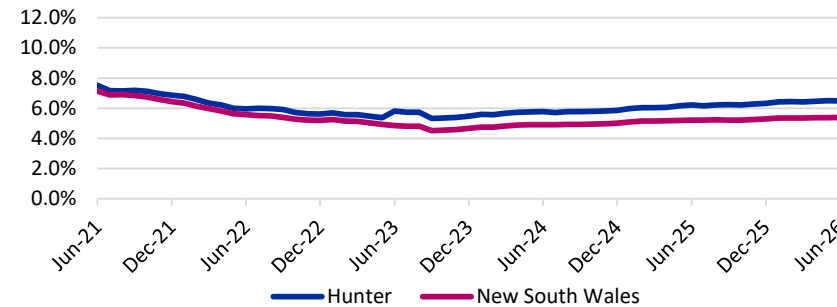
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Unemployment rate



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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Hunter	New South Wales
Payments - June 2025	27,890	280,995
Payments - June 2026	29,290	292,975
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	1,400	11,980
	5.0%	4.3%

% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments

	total persons on JobSeeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support
Hunter	29,290	6.5%
New South Wales	292,975	5.4%
Australia	1,034,765	5.7%

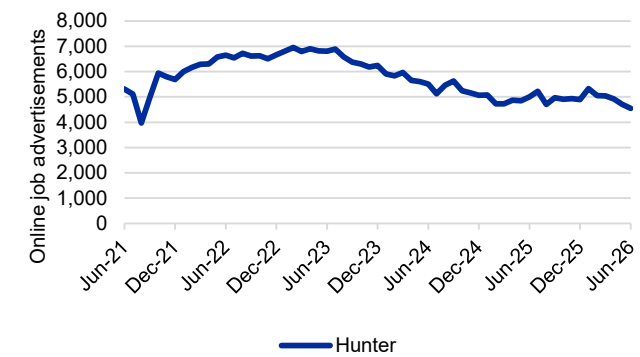
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Muswellbrook	5.5	6.8
Cessnock	4.9	5.6
Newcastle	4.7	3.1
Lake Macquarie	4.5	2.8
Port Stephens	4.2	4.8

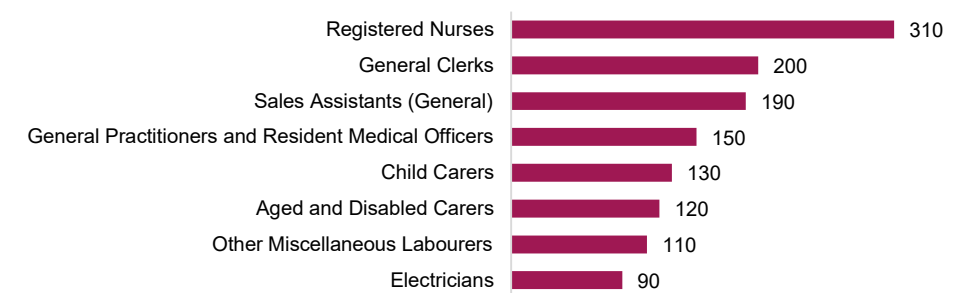
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Online job advertisements



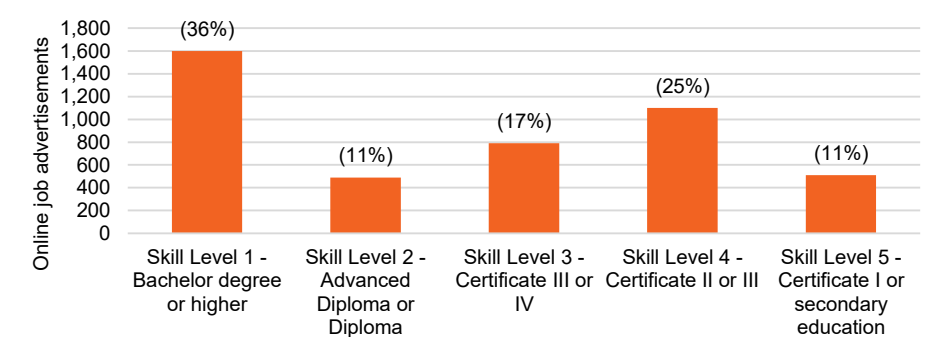
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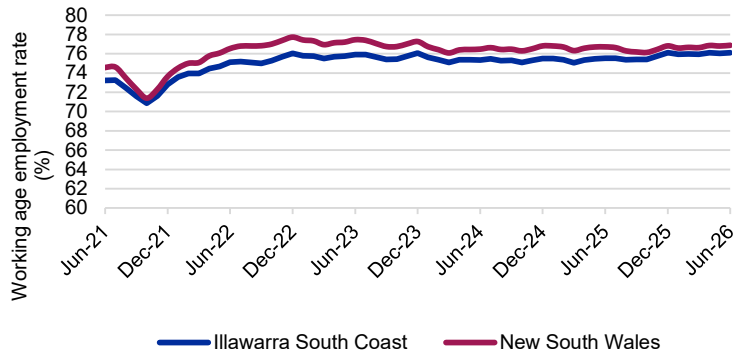
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Illawarra South Coast	76.1	75.5	11.2	10.8	2.9	4.4	4.3	79.8	79.1	10.9	10.7
New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
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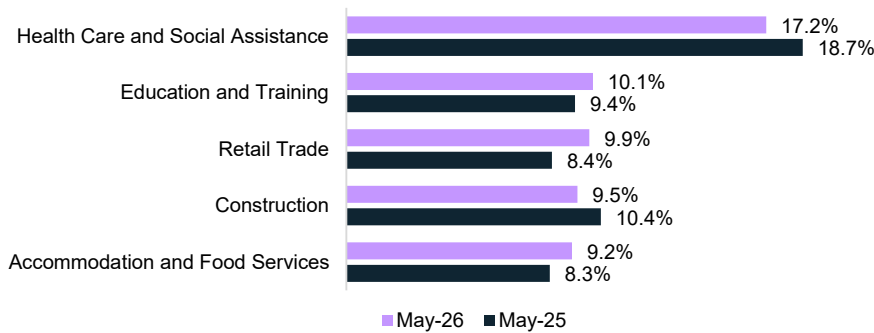
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Working age employment rate (%)



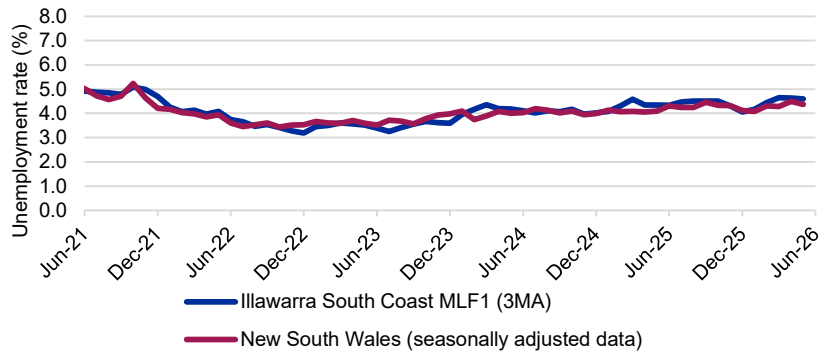
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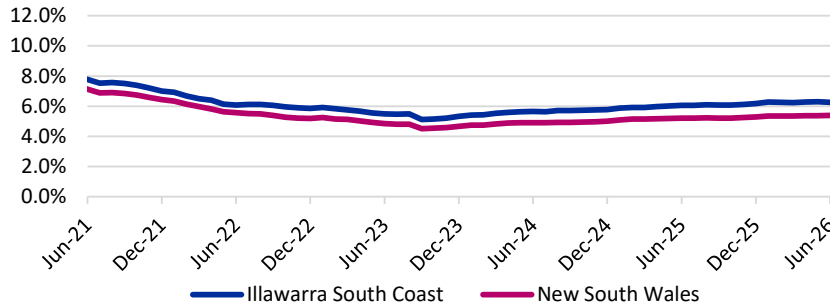
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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Illawarra South Coast	New South Wales
Payments - June 2025	18,150	280,995
Payments - June 2026	18,760	292,975
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	610	11,980
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% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments

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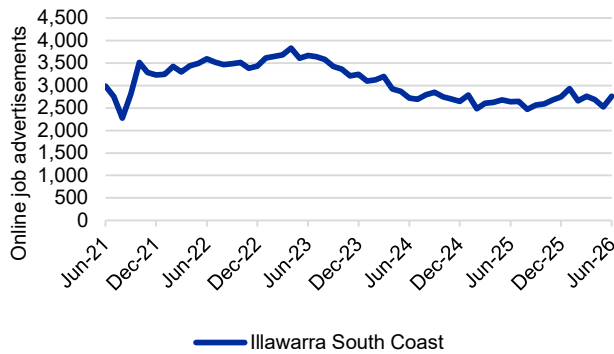
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Shellharbour	6.5	6.4
Wollongong	6.3	6.0
Eurobodalla	4.4	5.0
Shoalhaven	4.3	2.1
Bega Valley	3.5	4.1

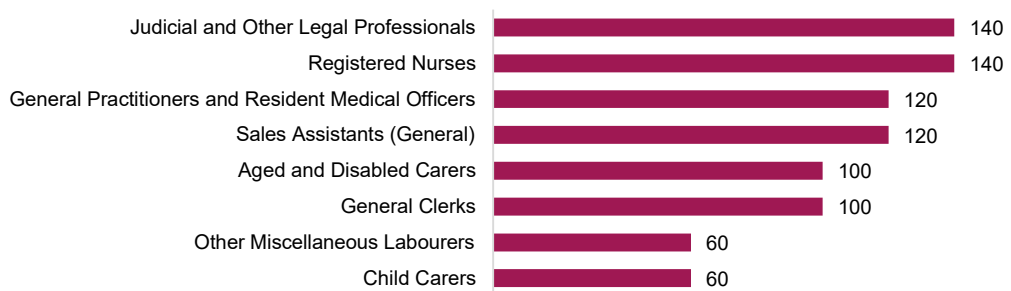
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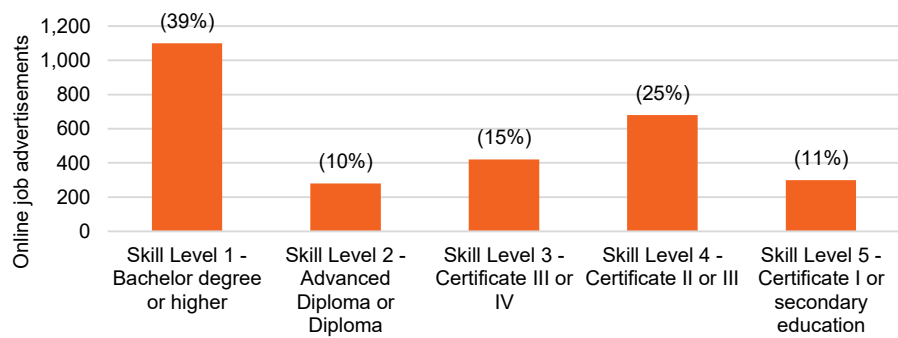
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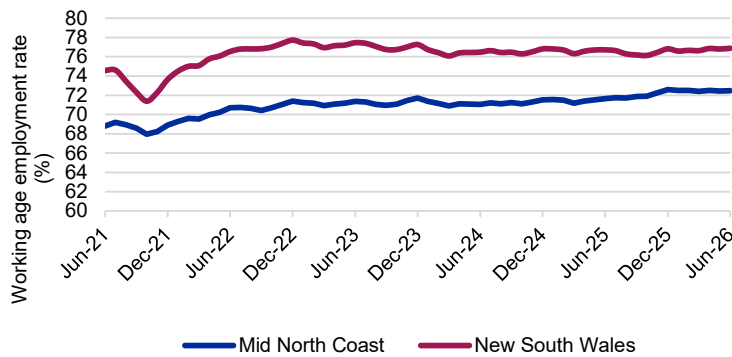
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New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
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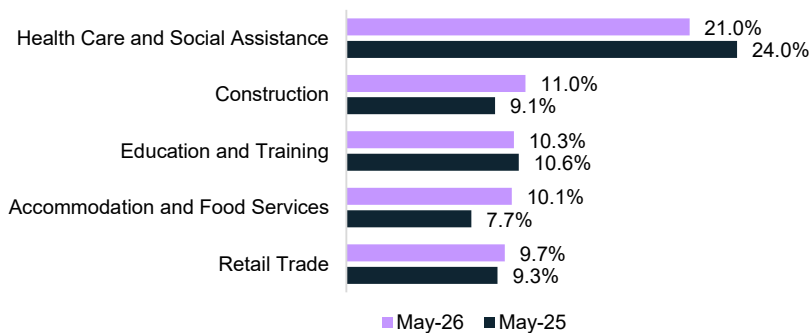
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Working age employment rate (%)



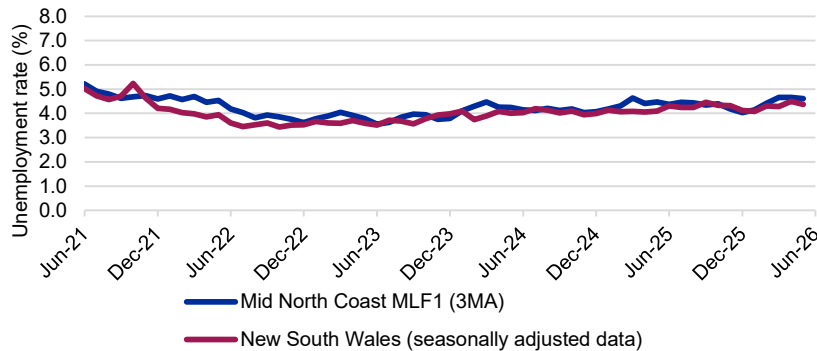
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Largest employing industries



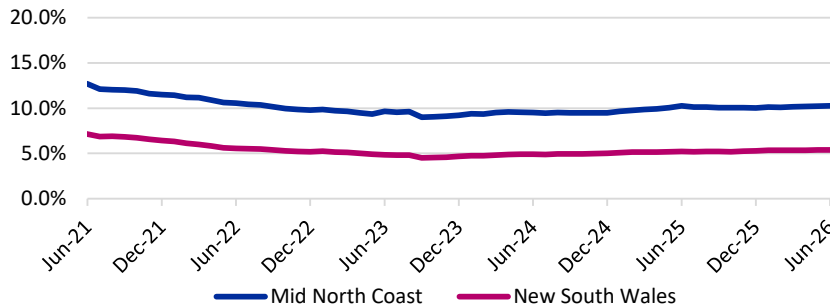
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Unemployment rate



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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Mid North Coast	New South Wales
Payments - June 2025	21,680	280,995
Payments - June 2026	21,555	292,975
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	-125	11,980
	-0.6%	4.3%

% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments

	total persons on JobSeeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support
Mid North Coast	21,555	10.3%
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Australia	1,034,765	5.7%

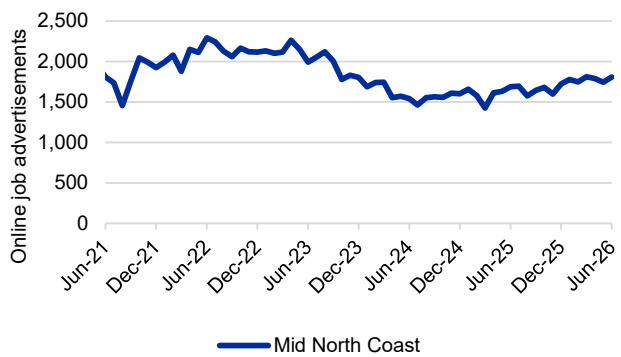
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Kempsey	6.4	5.7
Nambucca Valley	6.2	5.6
Mid-Coast	4.9	4.4
Bellingen	4.6	5.2
Armidale	4.0	2.4

Source: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-26 quarter

Online job advertisements



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, June 2026

Number of job ads
1,800

Change over the month
3.7%

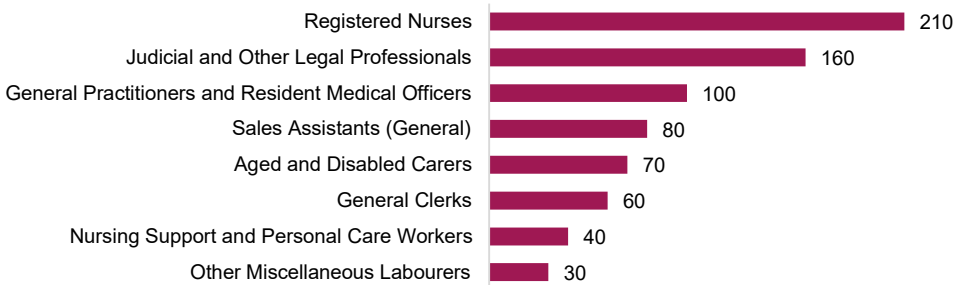
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Annual change

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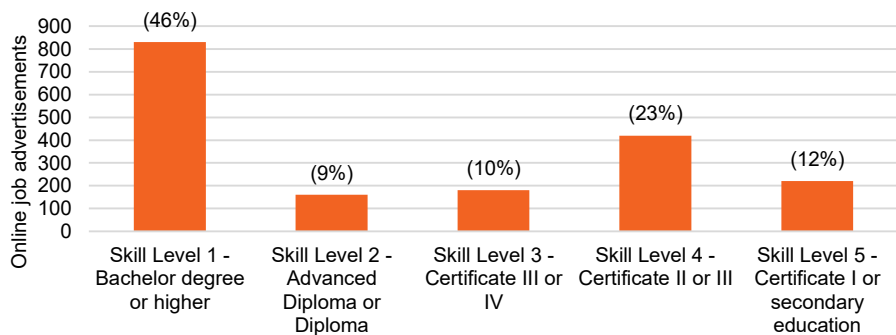
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Online job advertisements by occupation



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Online job advertisements by skill level



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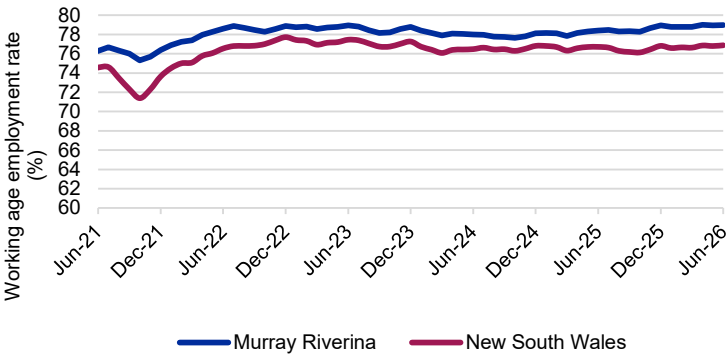
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	Jun-26	Jun-25	Jun-26	Jun-25	Change	Jun-26	Jun-25	Jun-26	Jun-25	Jun-26	Jun-25
	(%)	(%)	('000)	('000)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Murray Riverina	79.0	78.4	6.0	5.8	2.8	3.8	3.7	82.4	81.7	8.6	8.4
New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
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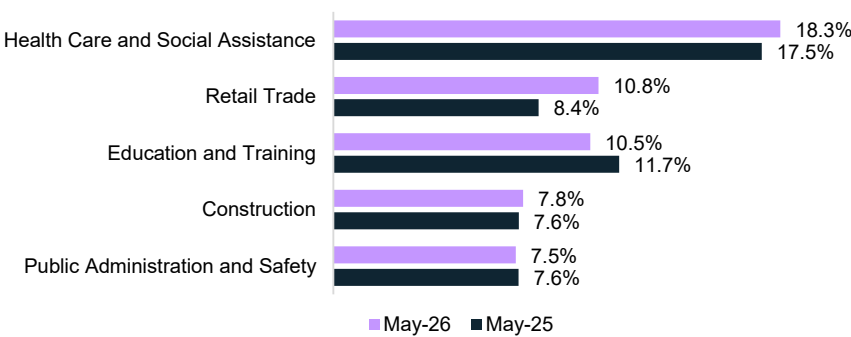
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Working age employment rate (%)



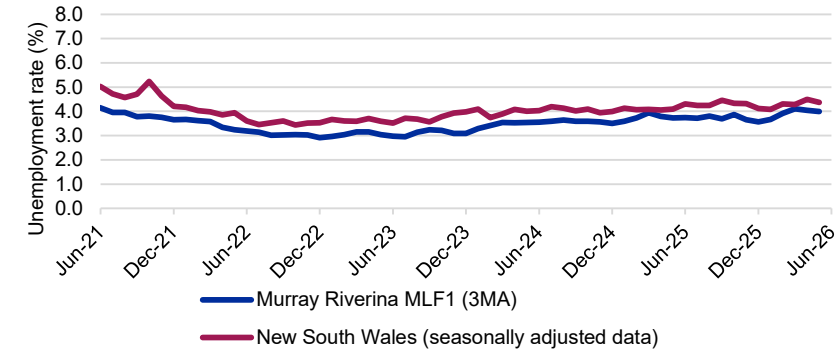
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Largest employing industries



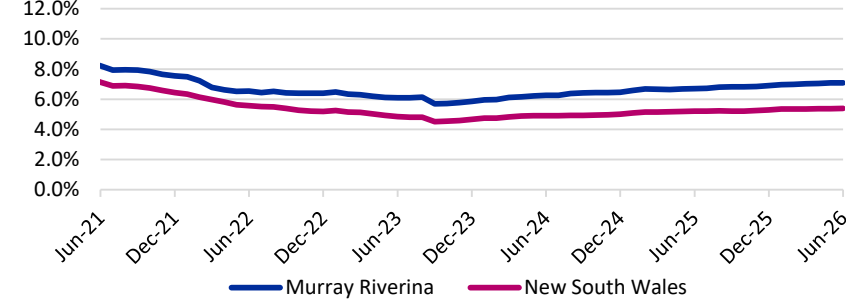
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Unemployment rate



Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted data, MLF1, (3MA), June 2026

JobSeeker income support payments



	Murray Riverina	New South Wales
Payments - June 2025	11,565	280,995
Payments - June 2026	12,145	292,975
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	↑ 580	↑ 11,980
	↑ 5.0%	↑ 4.3%

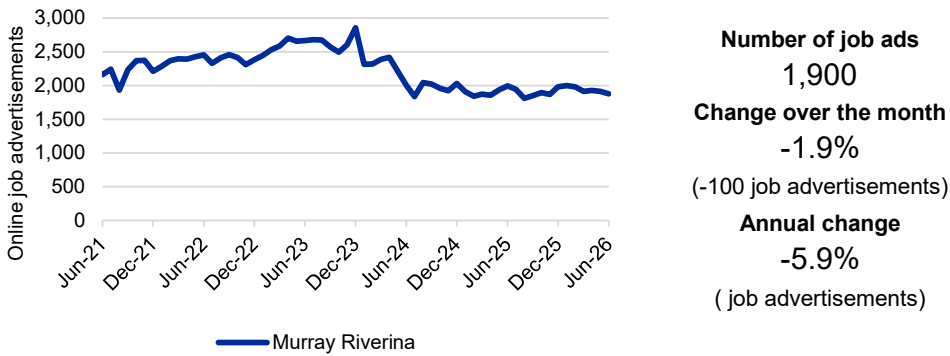
% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments		
	total persons on JobSeeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support
Murray Riverina	12,145	7.1%
New South Wales	292,975	5.4%
Australia	1,034,765	5.7%

Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker income support payment recipients, June 2026; ABS, Labour Force Survey, MLF1 (3MA) June 2026

LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Narrandera	5.9	6.4
Wentworth	5.8	4.5
Albury	5.6	4.3
Edward River	5.5	4.3
Hay	4.6	3.9

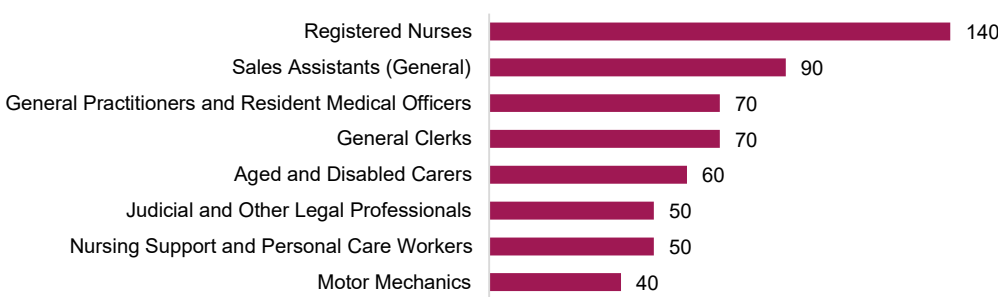
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Online job advertisements



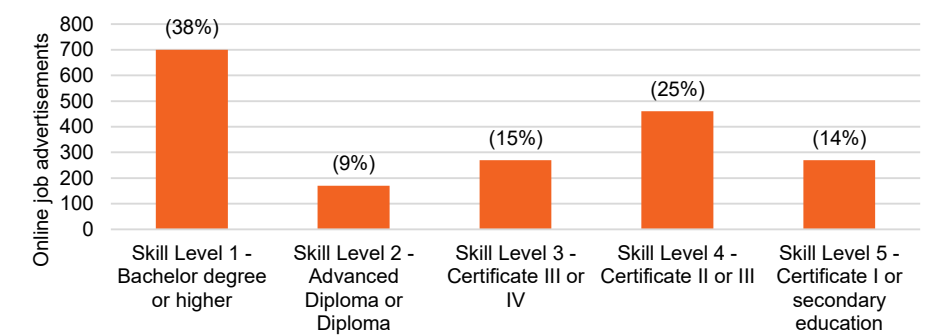
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Online job advertisements by skill level



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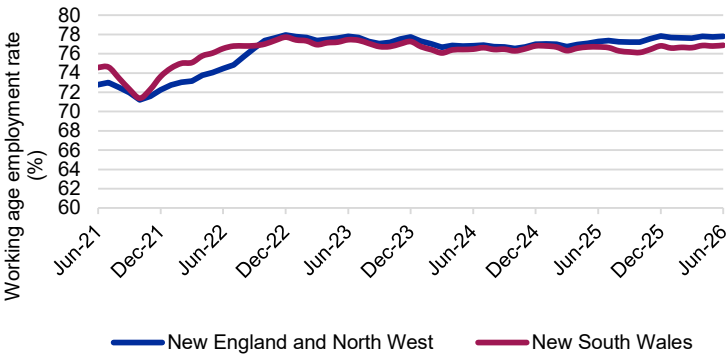
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	(%)	(%)	('000)	('000)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
New England and North West	77.8	77.3	4.8	4.7	1.6	4.6	4.6	81.8	81.2	11.1	10.8
New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
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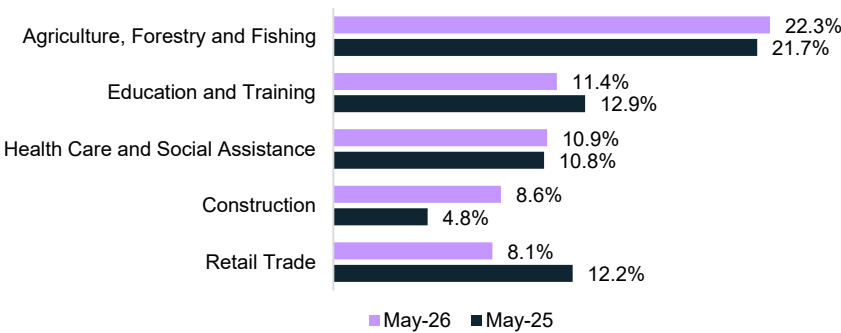
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Working age employment rate (%)



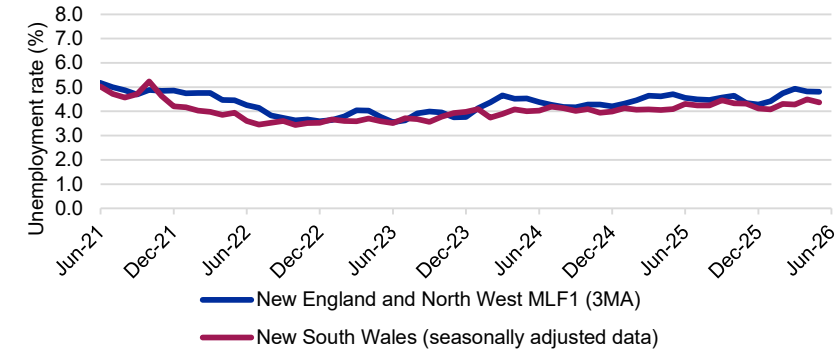
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Largest employing industries



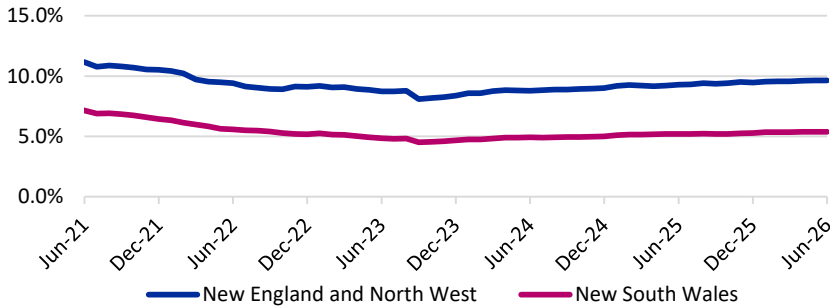
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Unemployment rate



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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	New England and North West	New South Wales
Payments - June 2025	10,620	280,995
Payments - June 2026	10,975	292,975
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	↑ 355	↑ 11,980
	↑ 3.3%	↑ 4.3%

% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments

	total persons on JobSeeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support
New England and North West	10,975	9.6%
New South Wales	292,975	5.4%
Australia	1,034,765	5.7%

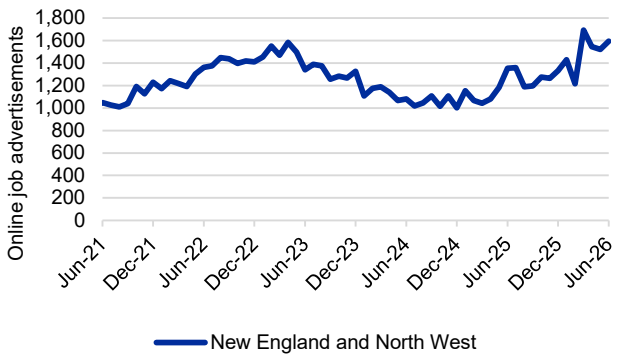
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Tenterfield	5.7	3.0
Glen Innes Severn	5.2	2.9
Moree Plains	4.6	2.7
Inverell	4.3	2.4
Armidale	4.0	2.4

Source: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-26 quarter

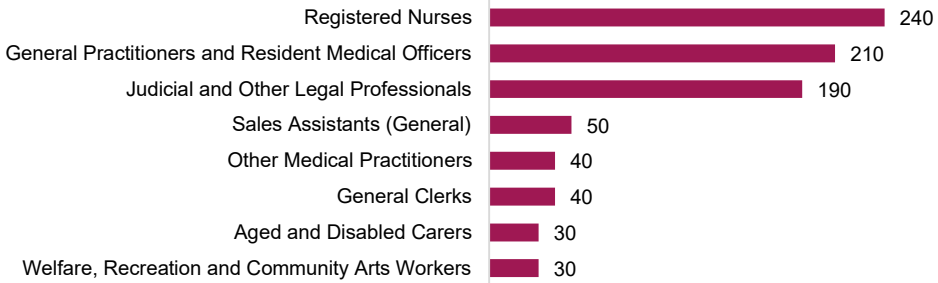
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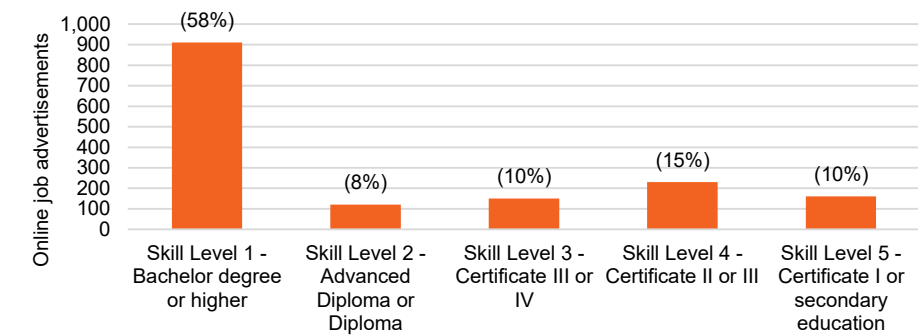
Number of job ads
1,600
Change over the month
4.9%
(200 job advertisements)
Annual change
17.8%
(100 job advertisements)

Online job advertisements by occupation



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Online job advertisements by skill level



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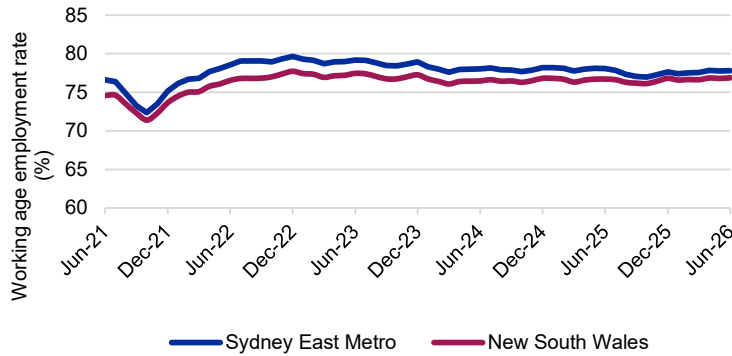
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Labour market summary table

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	Jun-26 (%)	Jun-25 (%)	Jun-26 (‘000)	Jun-25 (‘000)	Change (%)	Jun-26 (%)	Jun-25 (%)	Jun-26 (%)	Jun-25 (%)	Jun-26 (%)	Jun-25 (%)
Sydney East Metro	77.8	78.1	43.2	41.5	4.1	3.9	3.7	81.0	81.1	8.7	7.8
New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
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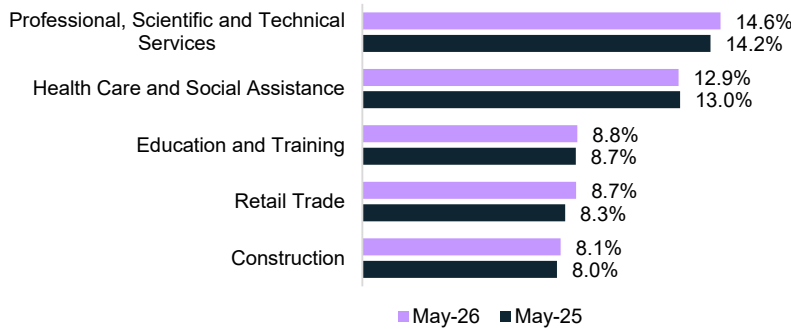
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Working age employment rate (%)



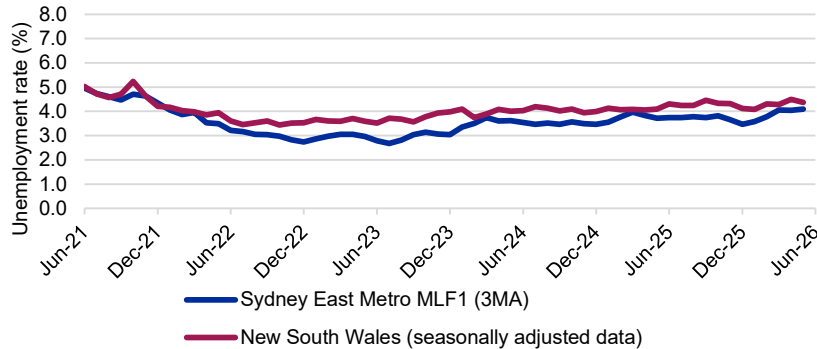
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Largest employing industries



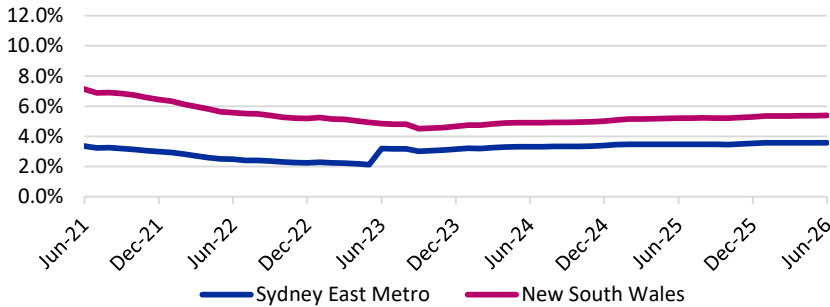
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Unemployment rate



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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Sydney East Metro	New South Wales
Payments - June 2025	45,540	280,995
Payments - June 2026	47,345	292,975
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	↑ 1,805	↑ 11,980
	↑ 4.0%	↑ 4.3%

% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments

	total persons on JobSeeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support
Sydney East Metro	47,345	3.6%
New South Wales	292,975	5.4%
Australia	1,034,765	5.7%

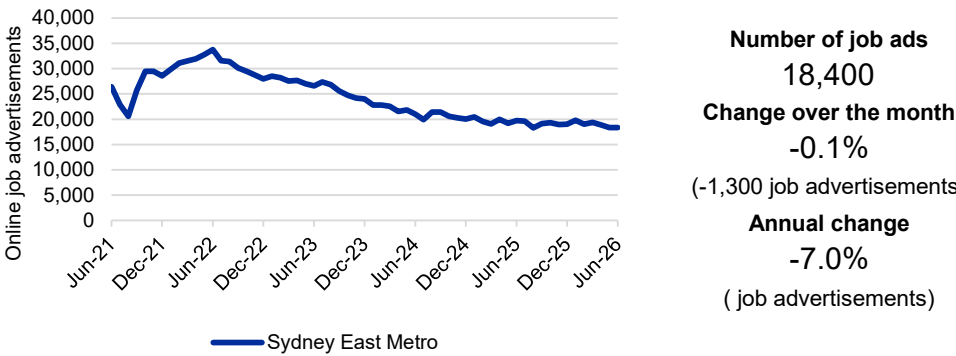
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Canterbury-Bankstown	6.9	6.3
Inner West	4.8	5.1
Sydney	4.2	4.6
Randwick	4.2	4.4
Burwood	3.7	4.0

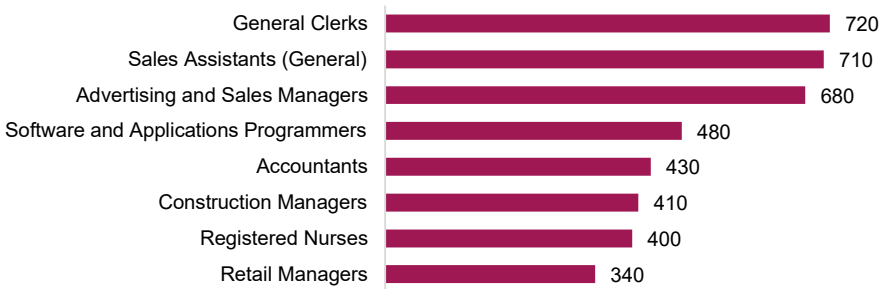
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Online job advertisements



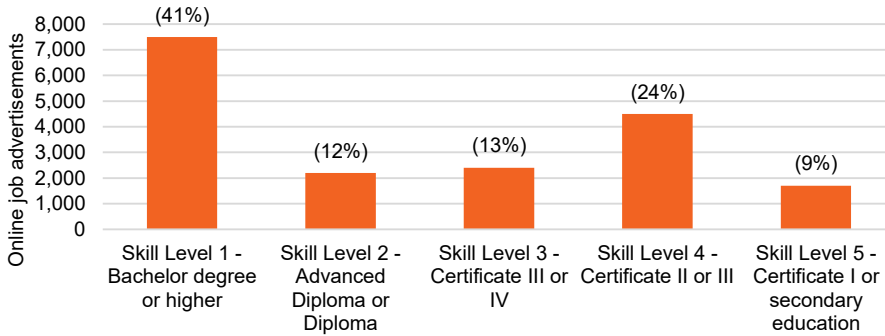
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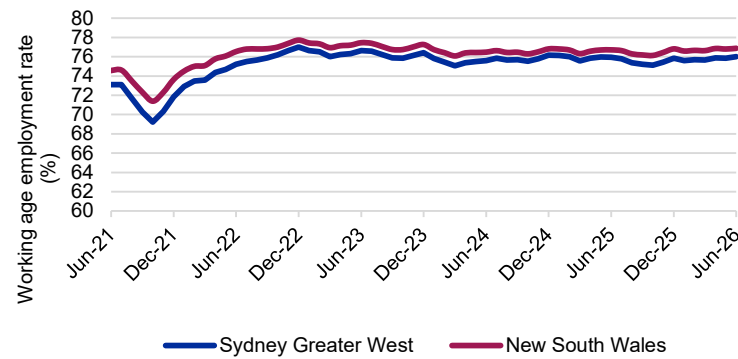
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	(%)	(%)	('000)	('000)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Sydney Greater West	76.0	75.9	38.4	35.6	7.6	5.0	4.8	80.1	79.8	11.4	10.2
New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
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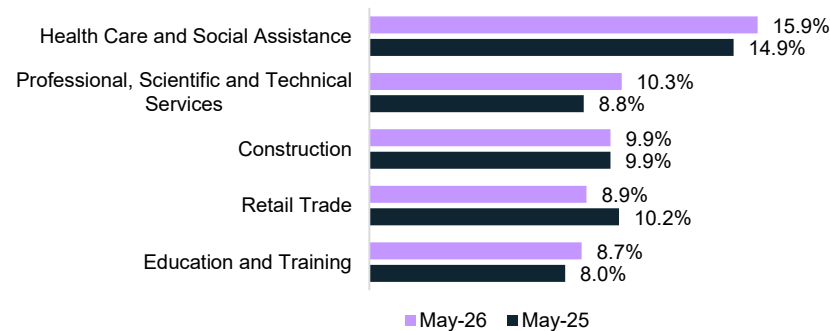
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Working age employment rate (%)



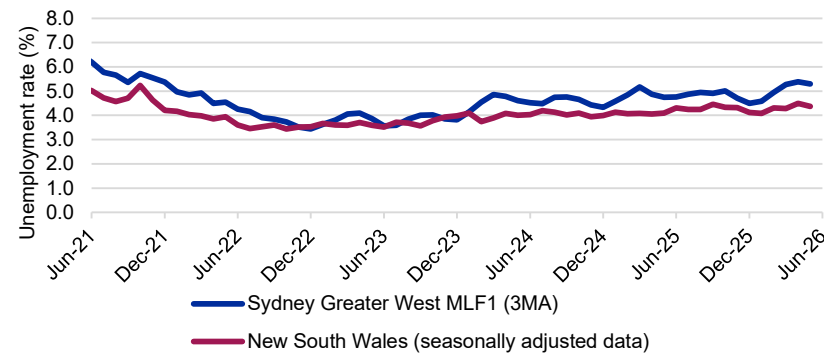
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Largest employing industries



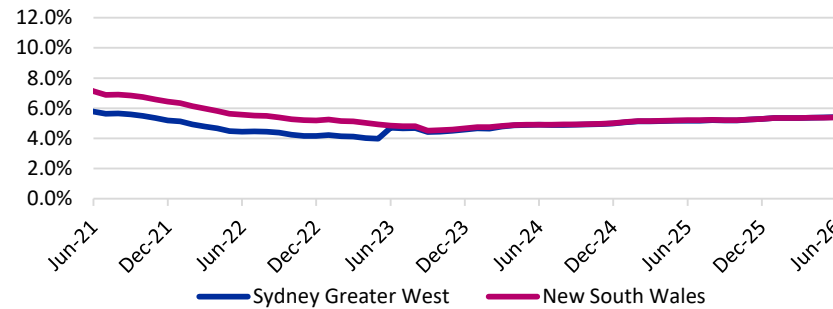
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Unemployment rate



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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Sydney Greater West	New South Wales
Payments - June 2025	46,820	280,995
Payments - June 2026	49,775	292,975
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	↑ 2,955	↑ 11,980
	↑ 6.3%	↑ 4.3%

% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments

	total persons on JobSeeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support
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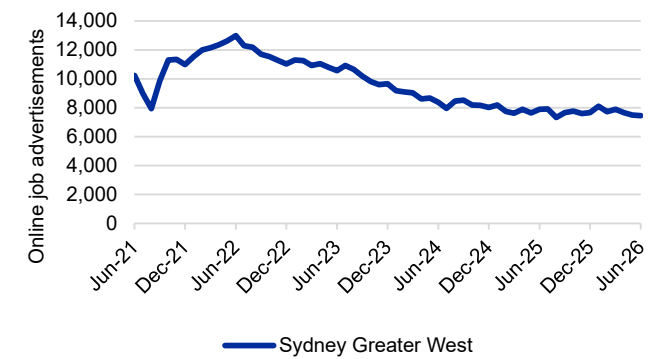
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Fairfield	7.5	7.9
Canterbury-Bankstown	6.9	6.3
Cumberland	6.6	7.1
Blacktown	4.7	5.0
Hawkesbury	4.3	4.2

Source: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-26 quarter

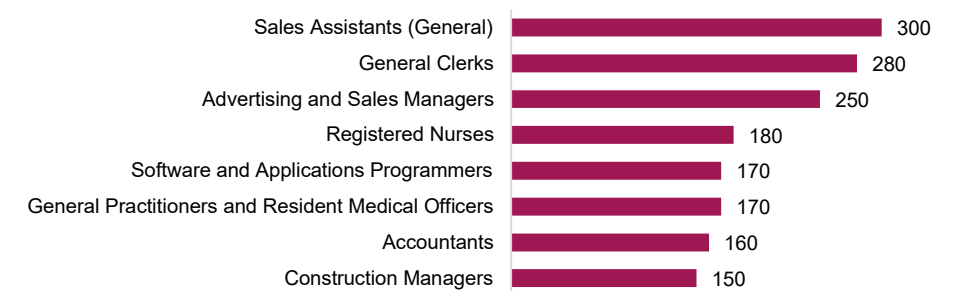
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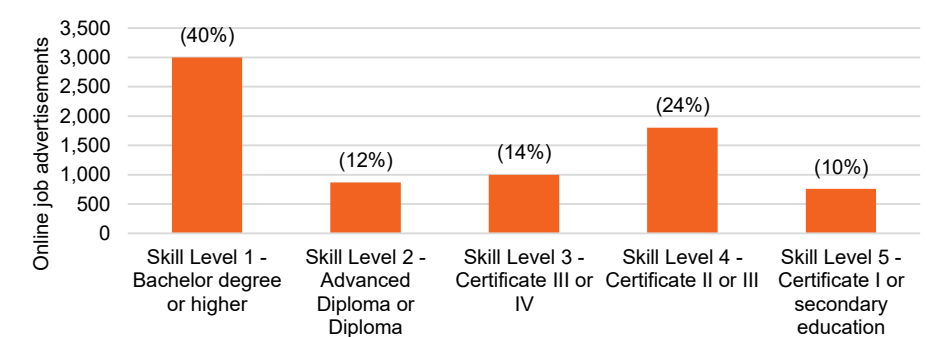
Number of job ads
7,500
Change over the month
-0.7%
(-400 job advertisements)
Annual change
-5.5%
(job advertisements)

Online job advertisements by occupation



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Online job advertisements by skill level



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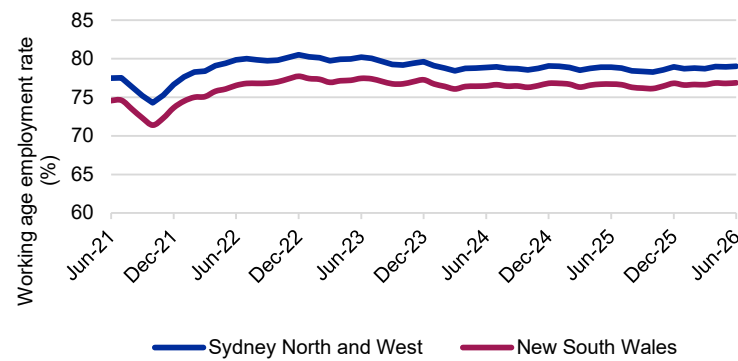
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Sydney North and West	79.0	78.9	32.3	31.7	2.2	3.6	3.6	82.1	81.9	9.0	8.2
New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
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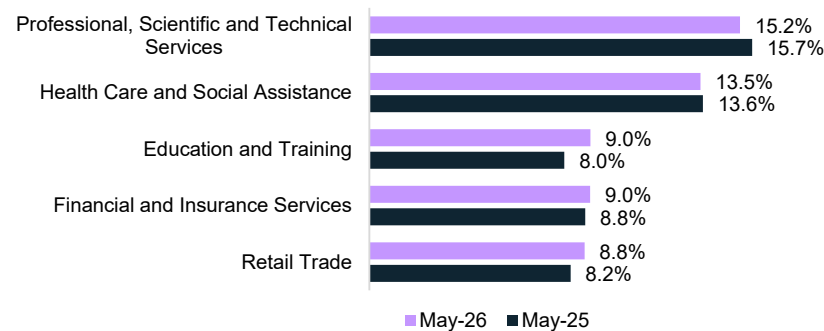
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Working age employment rate (%)



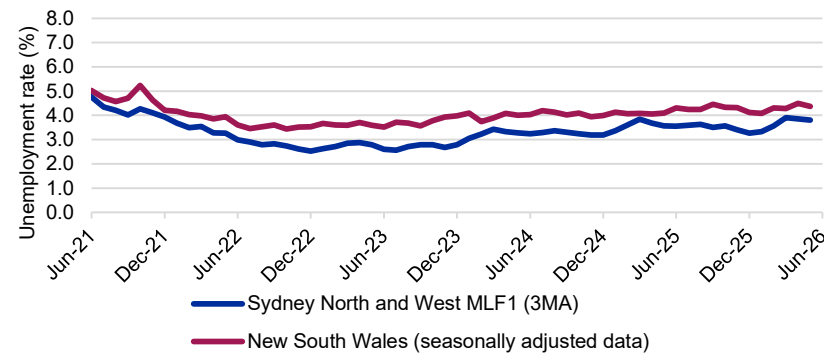
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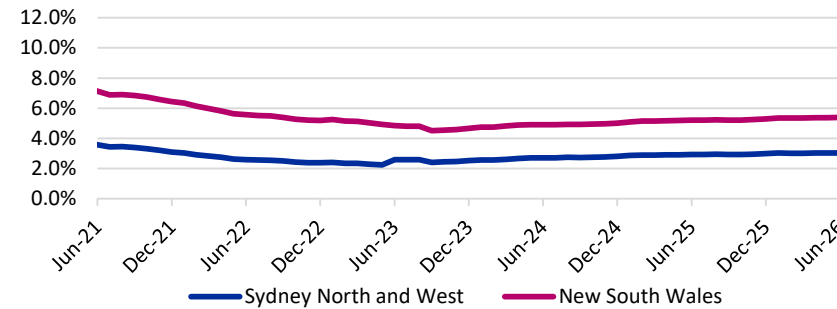
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Unemployment rate



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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Sydney North and West	New South Wales
Payments - June 2025	29,890	280,995
Payments - June 2026	31,325	292,975
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	↑ 1,435	↑ 11,980
	↑ 4.8%	↑ 4.3%

% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments

	total persons on JobSeeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support
Sydney North and West	31,325	3.0%
New South Wales	292,975	5.4%
Australia	1,034,765	5.7%

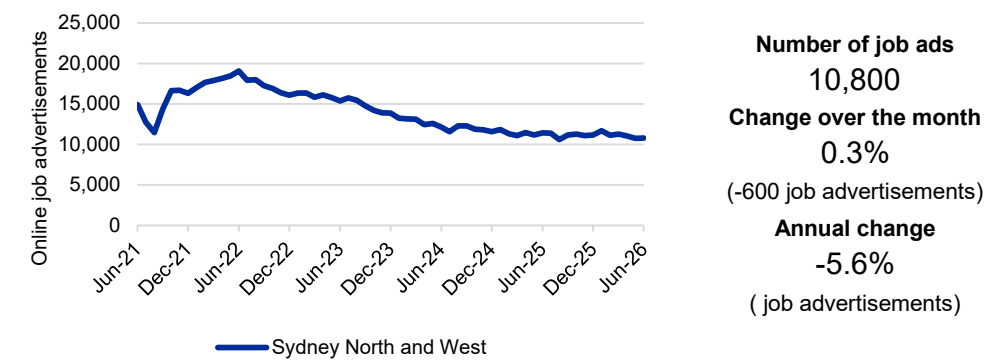
Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker income support payment recipients, June 2026; ABS, Labour Force Survey, MLF1 (3MA) June 2026

LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Hawkesbury	4.3	4.2
Hornsby	4.1	5.1
Northern Beaches	3.8	2.8
Central Coast (NSW)	3.7	3.5
Willoughby	3.7	4.7

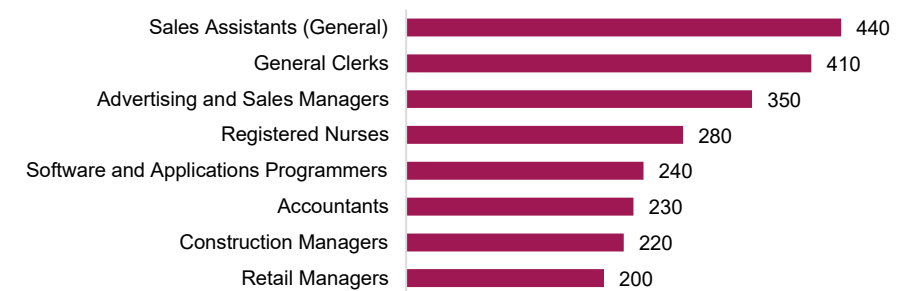
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Online job advertisements



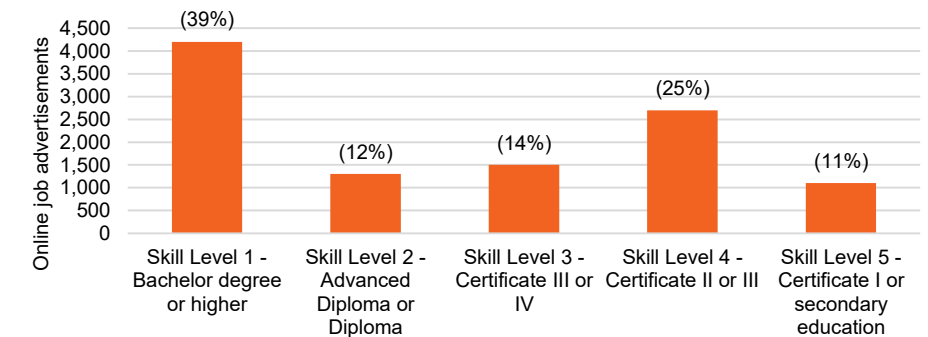
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Online job advertisements by occupation



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Online job advertisements by skill level



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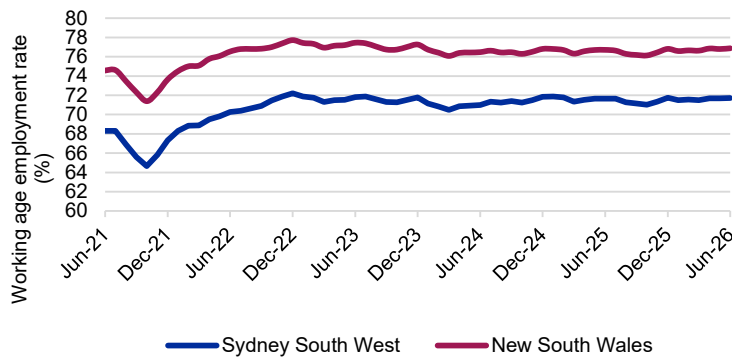
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This **Labour Market Dashboard** provides key indicators for the labour market by Employment Region and is updated monthly.

Labour market summary table											
	Working age employment rate		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Working age participation rate		Youth unemployment rate	
	Jun-26 (%)	Jun-25 (%)	Jun-26 ('000)	Jun-25 ('000)	Change (%)	Jun-26 (%)	Jun-25 (%)	Jun-26 (%)	Jun-25 (%)	Jun-26 (%)	Jun-25 (%)
Sydney South West	71.7	71.7	24.2	22.6	7.2	5.4	5.1	75.9	75.6	11.8	10.6
New South Wales	76.9	76.7	188.6	205.9	-8.4	4.0	4.4	80.4	80.1	9.9	9.1
Australia	77.4	77.2	686.8	656.7	4.6	4.4	4.3	81.1	80.8	10.7	10.3

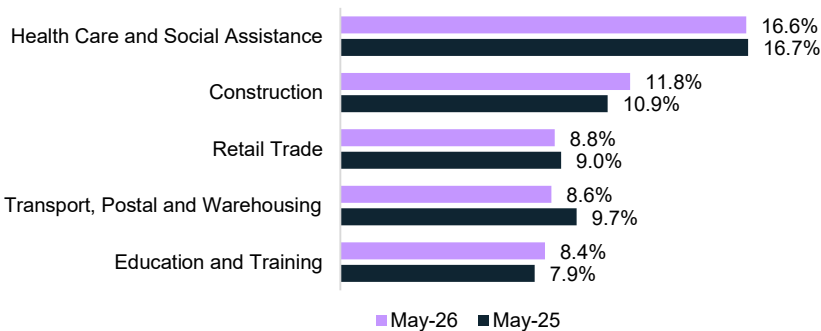
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Working age employment rate (%)



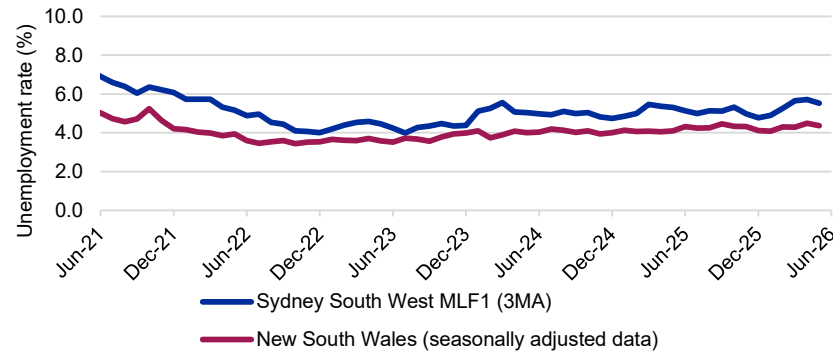
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Largest employing industries



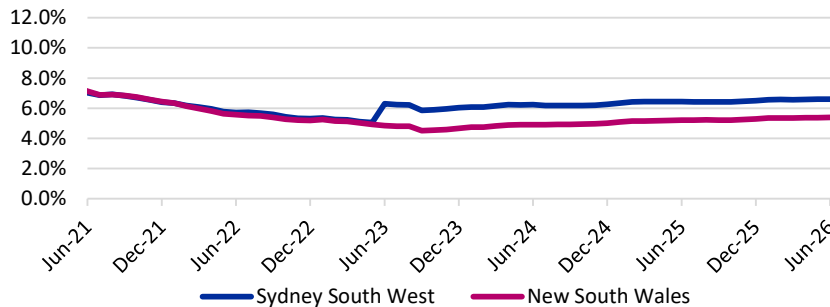
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, 4 quarter averages, May-26 quarter

Unemployment rate



Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted data, MLF1, (3MA), June 2026

JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Sydney South West	New South Wales
Payments - June 2025	36,050	280,995
Payments - June 2026	37,650	292,975
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	1,600	11,980
	4.4%	4.3%

% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments

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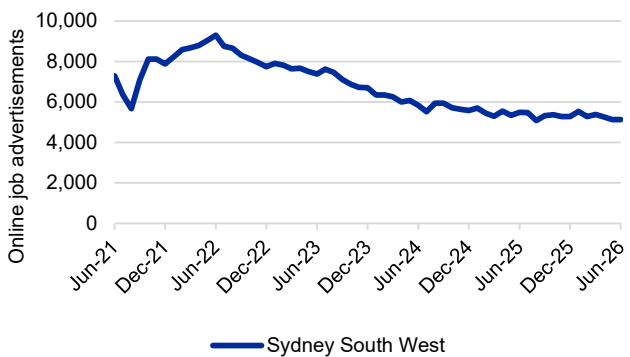
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Fairfield	7.5	7.9
Canterbury-Bankstown	6.9	6.3
Campbelltown (NSW)	6.2	5.5
Liverpool	4.7	4.5
Sutherland	3.0	2.7

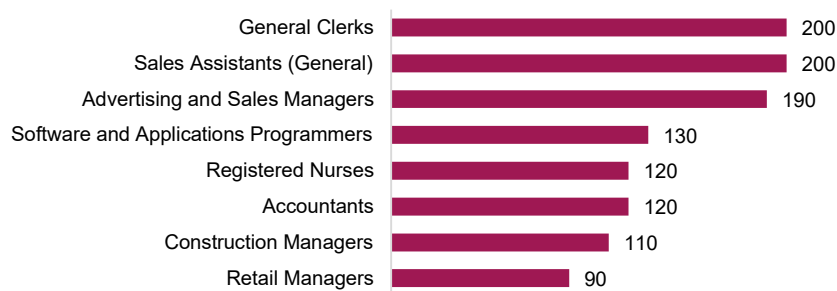
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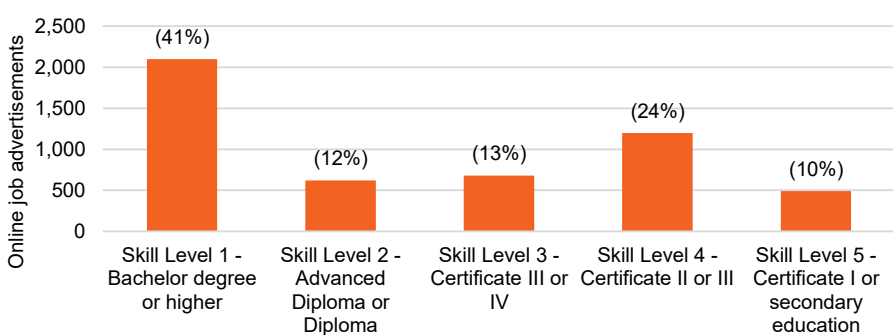
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