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Labour Market Dashboard Western Australia

Data current as at 23 July 2026

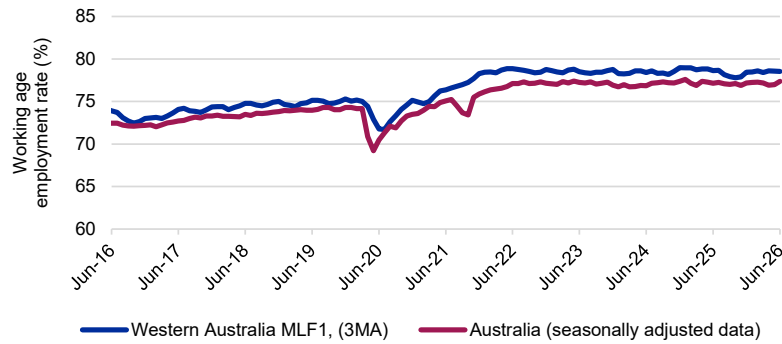
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This Labour Market Dashboard provides a summary of the key indicators for the Western Australian labour market. Dashboards for Australia and Employment Regions are also available.

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	Working Age Employment Rate		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Working Age Participation Rate		Youth unemployment rate	
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Western Australia	78.5	78.6	75.0	70.5	6.4	4.2	4.1	82.2	82.0	9.6	8.7
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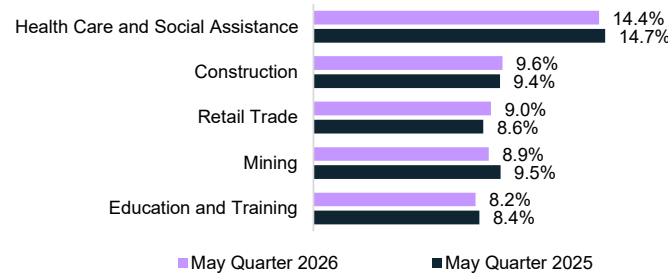
Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted, June-26, except for state & territory data's youth unemployment rate which uses a 12 month average (12MA) of MLF1 modelled estimate data and working age employment and participation rate which uses a 3 month average (3MA).

Working age employment rate



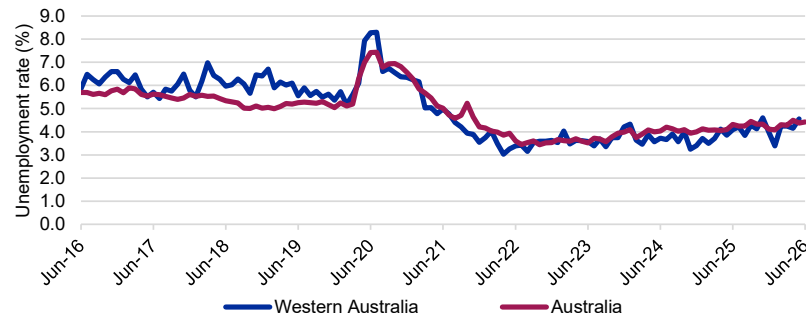
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Largest employing industries



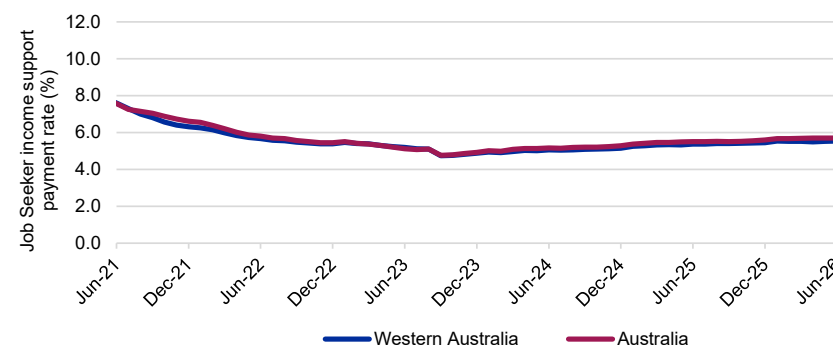
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Unemployment rate



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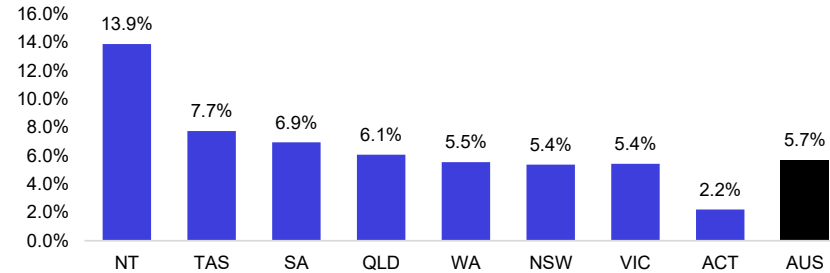
% of 15-64 year olds* on JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

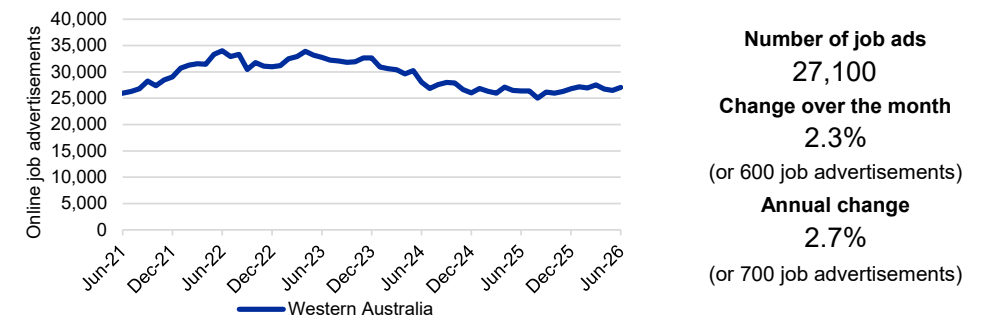
	Western Australia	Australia
Payments - June 2025	107,065	985,160
Payments - June 2026	112,770	1,034,765
Change (June 2025 to June 2026)	↑ 5,705	↑ 49,605
Change % (June 2025 to June 2026)	↑ 5.3%	↑ 5.0%

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



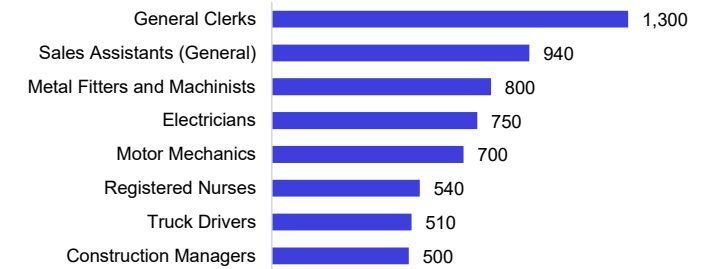
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Online job advertisements



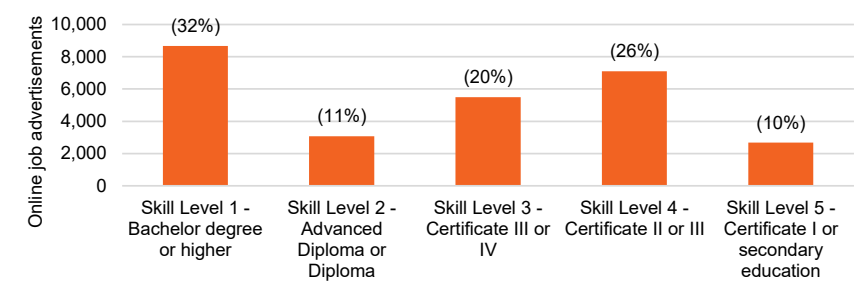
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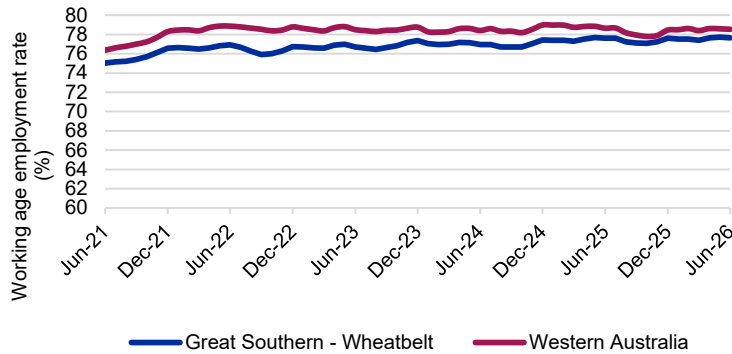
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	(%)	(%)	('000)	('000)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Great Southern - Wheatbelt	77.7	77.6	2.5	2.4	4.8	3.2	3.1	80.4	80.3	7.1	7.2
Western Australia	78.5	78.6	75.0	70.5	6.4	4.2	4.1	82.2	82.0	9.6	8.7
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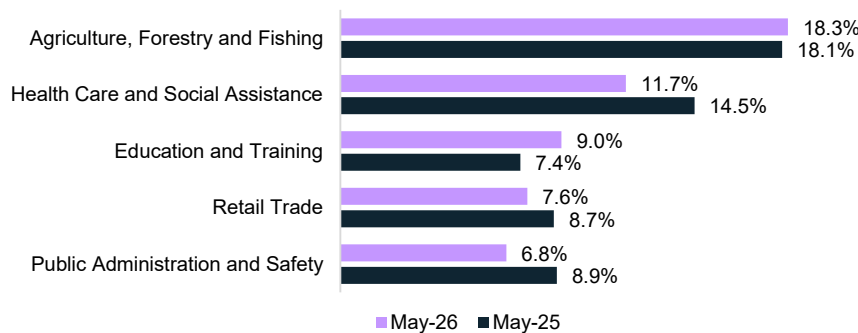
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Working age employment rate (%)



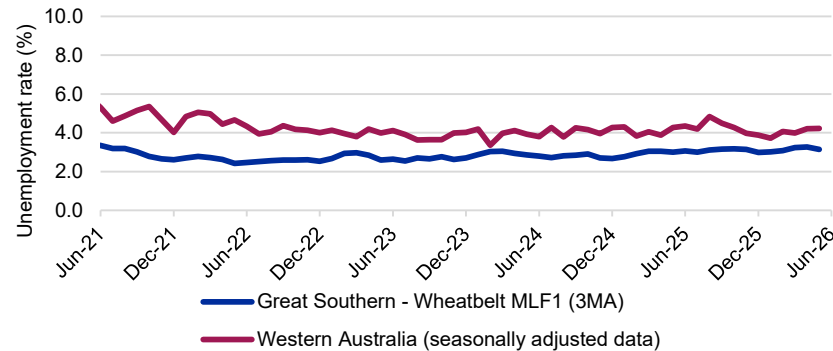
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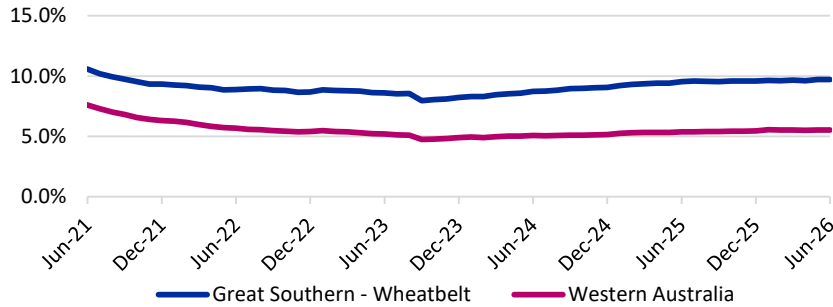
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Unemployment rate



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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Great Southern - Wheatbelt	Western Australia
Payments - June 2025	8,340	107,065
Payments - June 2026	8,550	112,770
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	210	5,705
	2.5%	5.3%

% 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
Great Southern - Wheatbelt	8,550	9.7%
Western Australia	112,770	5.5%
Australia	1,034,765	5.7%

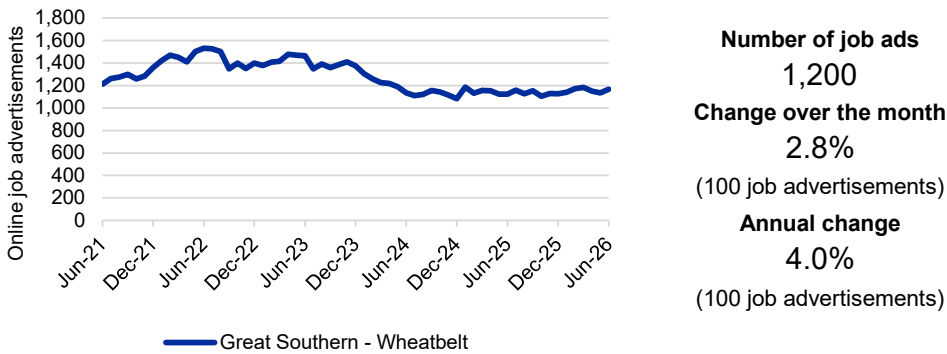
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Kellerberrin*	5.6	2.9
Cunderdin*	5.5	2.8
Quairading*	5.5	2.8
Tammin*	5.3	3.0
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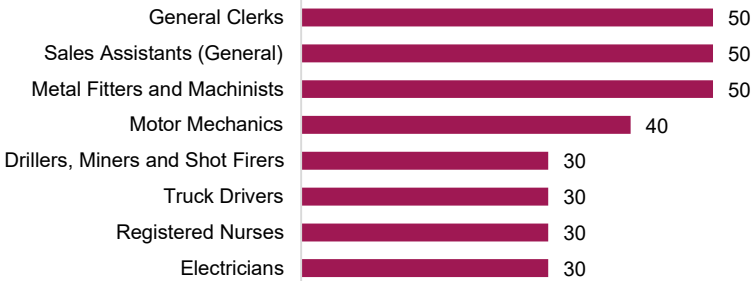
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Online job advertisements



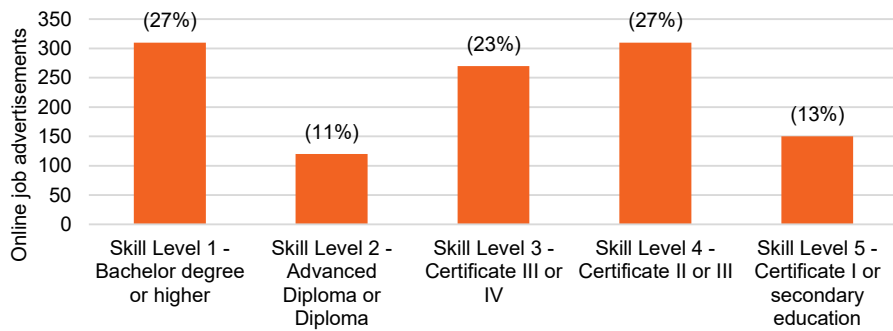
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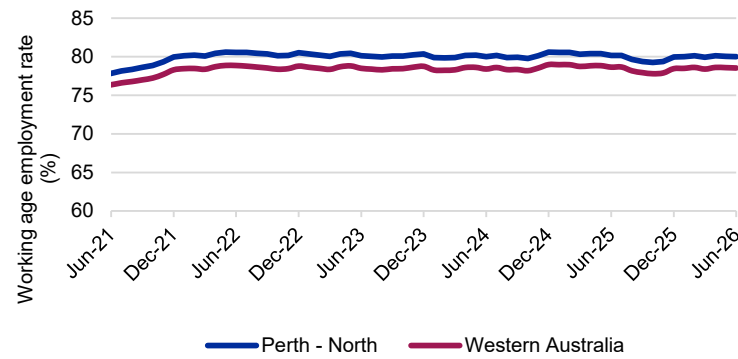
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	(%)	(%)	('000)	('000)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Perth - North	80.0	80.2	28.5	25.7	10.9	4.0	3.7	83.4	83.3	9.7	8.6
Western Australia	78.5	78.6	75.0	70.5	6.4	4.2	4.1	82.2	82.0	9.6	8.7
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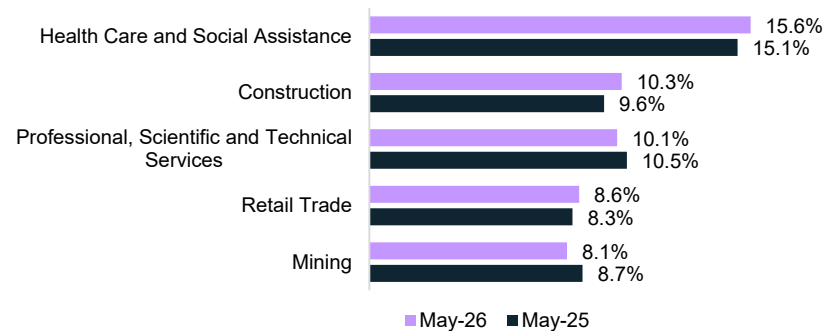
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Working age employment rate (%)



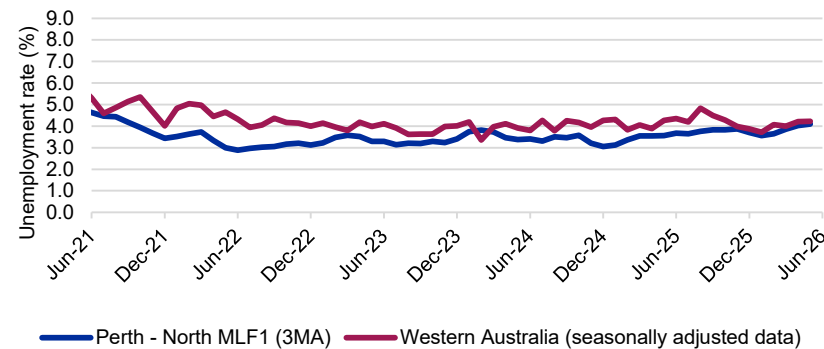
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Largest employing industries



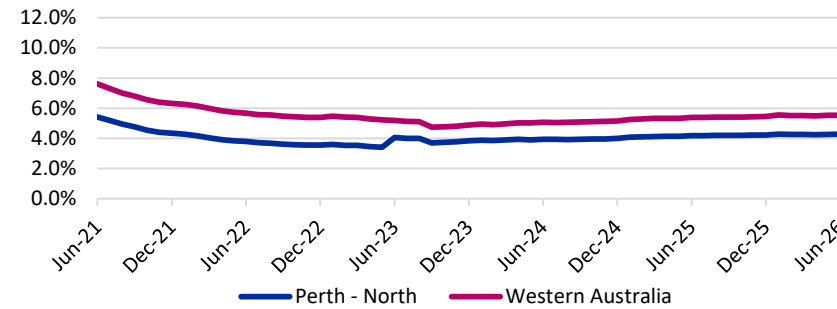
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Unemployment rate



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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Perth - North	Western Australia
Payments - June 2025	33,370	107,065
Payments - June 2026	34,890	112,770
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	↑ 1,520	↑ 5,705
	↑ 4.6%	↑ 5.3%

% 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
Perth - North	34,890	4.3%
Western Australia	112,770	5.5%
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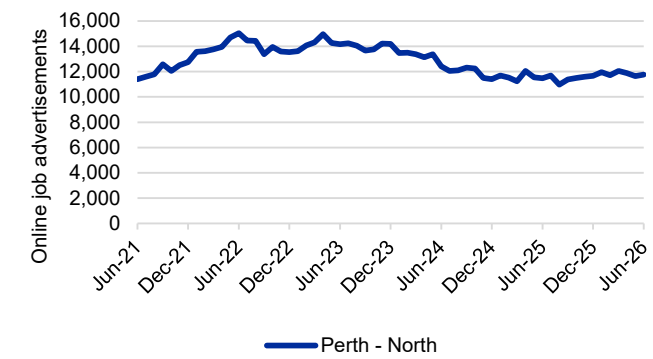
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Perth	7.1	5.4
Wanneroo	5.4	4.7
Vincent	5.4	3.9
Swan	4.3	4.2
Bassendean	3.9	3.8

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

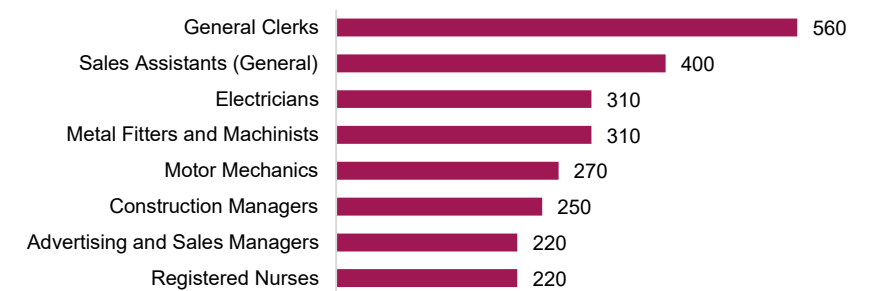
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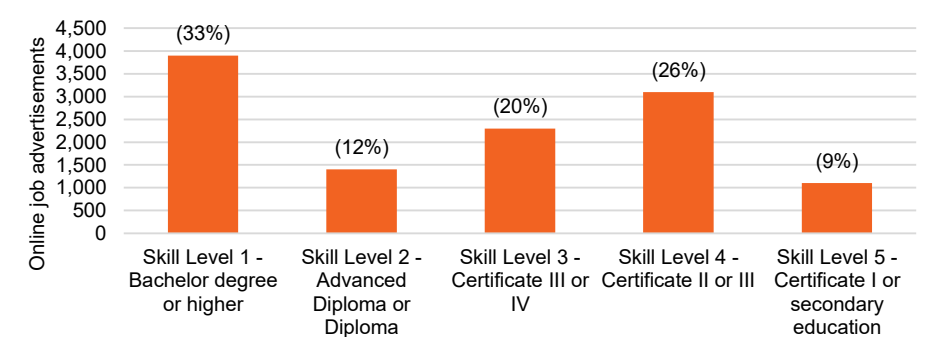
Number of job ads
11,800
Change over the month
1.0%
(300 job advertisements)
Annual change
2.5%
(200 job advertisements)

Online job advertisements by occupation



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Online job advertisements by skill level



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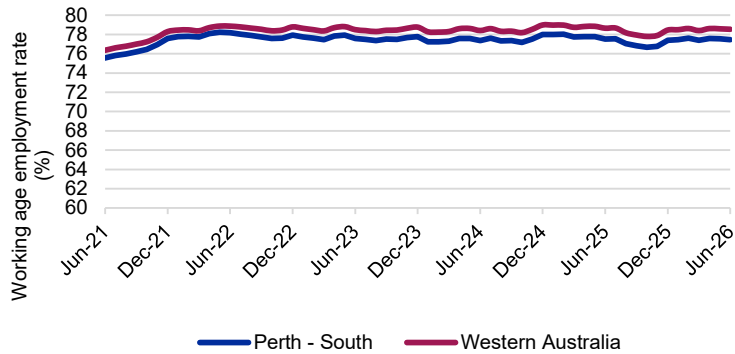
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Perth - South	77.5	77.5	35.1	31.9	10.1	4.8	4.5	81.5	81.3	10.4	9.4
Western Australia	78.5	78.6	75.0	70.5	6.4	4.2	4.1	82.2	82.0	9.6	8.7
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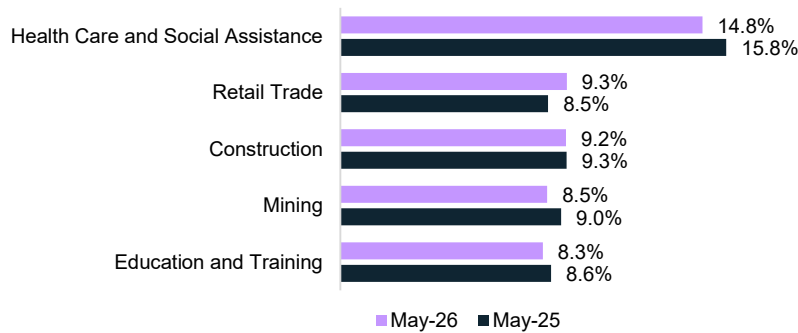
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Working age employment rate (%)



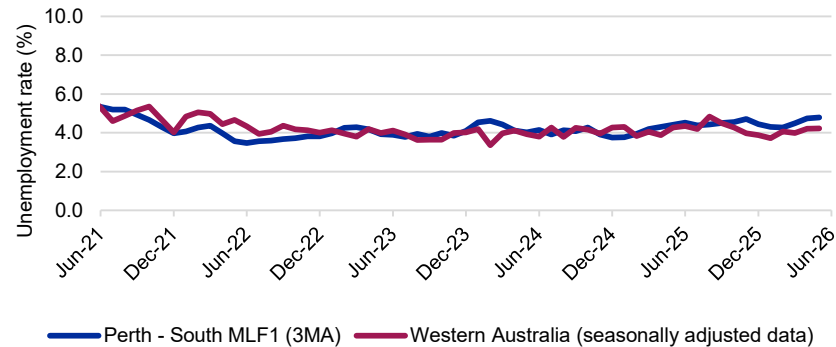
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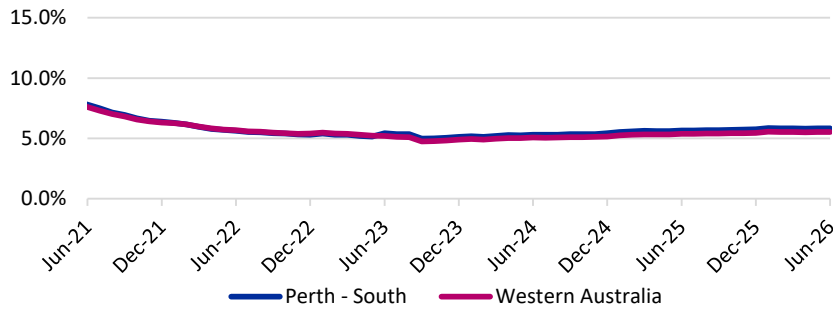
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Unemployment rate



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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Perth - South	Western Australia
Payments - June 2025	46,630	107,065
Payments - June 2026	49,425	112,770
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	2,795	5,705
	6.0%	5.3%

% 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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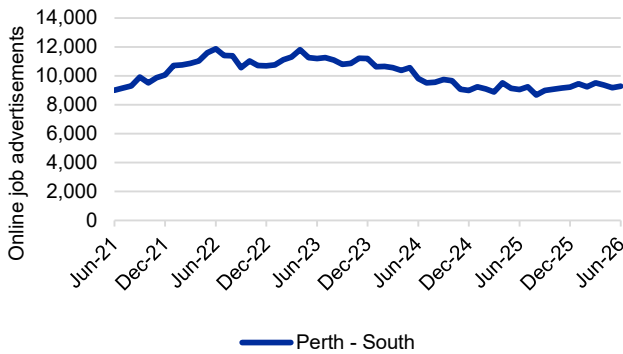
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Kwinana	7.7	7.1
Rockingham	6.1	5.7
Gosnells	6.0	5.4
Armadale	6.0	5.4
Waroona	5.7	5.5

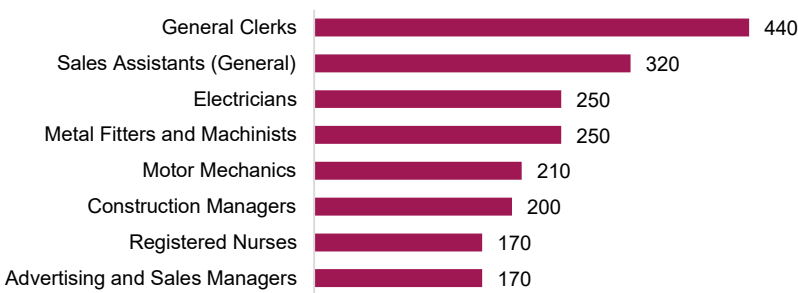
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Online job advertisements



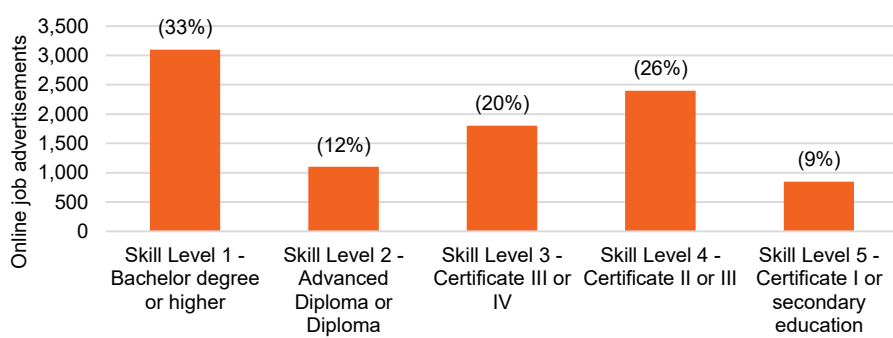
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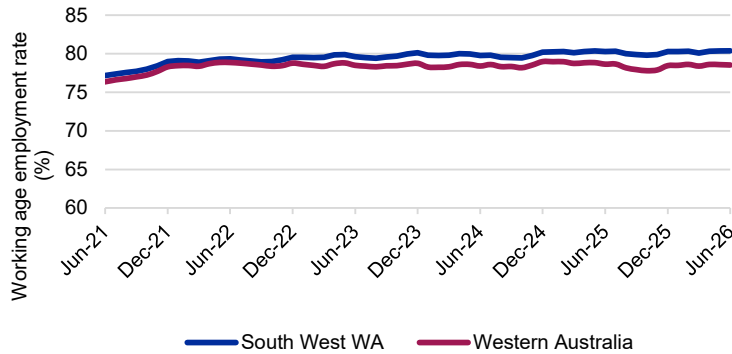
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South West WA	80.4	80.3	3.9	3.7	5.3	3.3	3.2	83.3	83.1	6.9	7.0
Western Australia	78.5	78.6	75.0	70.5	6.4	4.2	4.1	82.2	82.0	9.6	8.7
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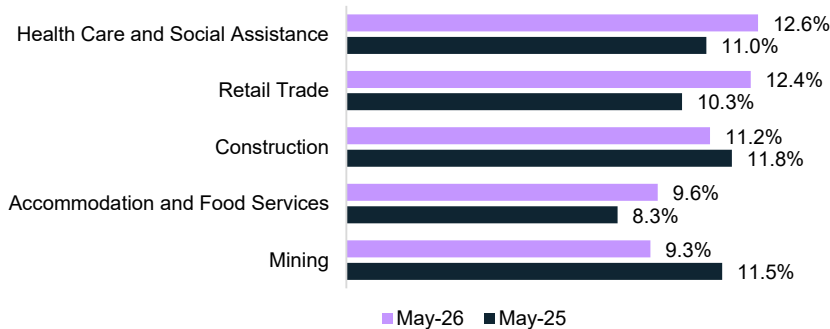
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Working age employment rate (%)



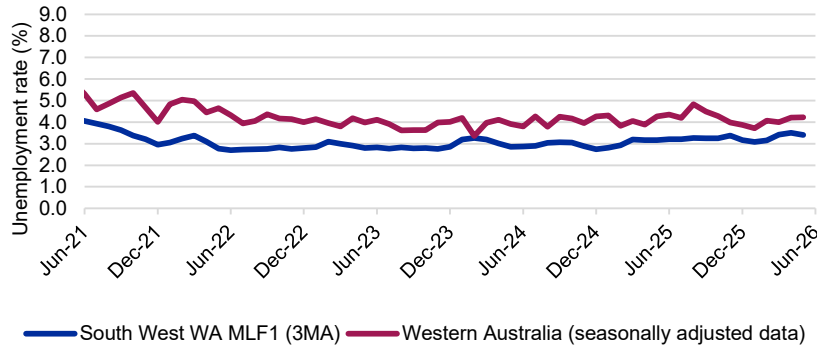
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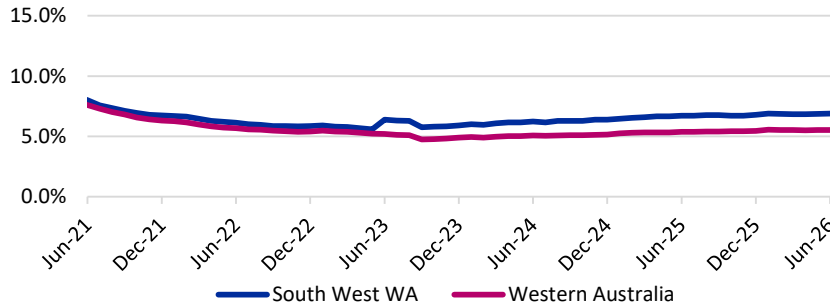
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JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	South West WA	Western Australia
Payments - June 2025	8,600	107,065
Payments - June 2026	8,955	112,770
Change from June 2025 to June 2026	355	5,705
	4.1%	5.3%

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

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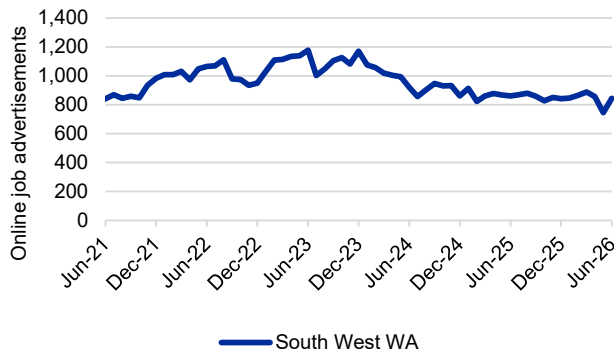
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Collie	5.8	5.7
Bunbury	4.9	5.0
Manjimup	3.6	3.2
Nannup*	3.1	2.8
Donnybrook-Balingup	2.9	2.5

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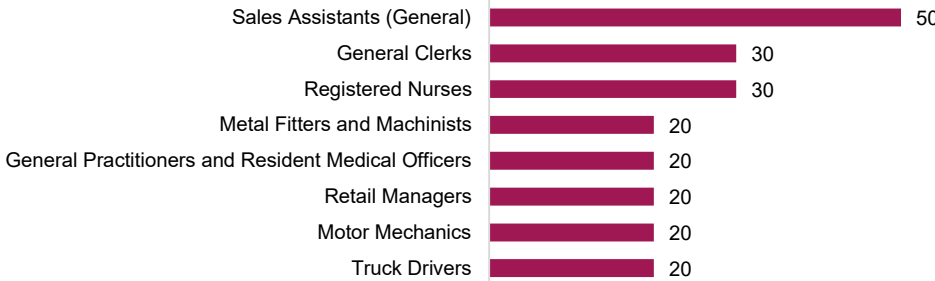
Online job advertisements



Number of job ads
 840
 Change over the month
 13.3%
 (-20 job advertisements)
 Annual change
 -2.0%
 (90 job advertisements)

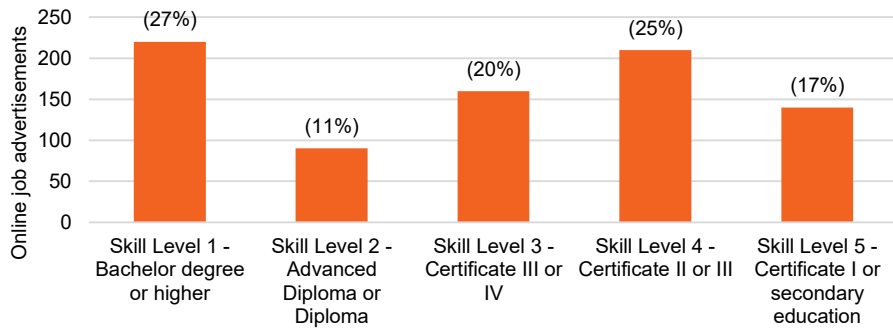
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