

Labour Market Dashboard
Australian Capital Territory

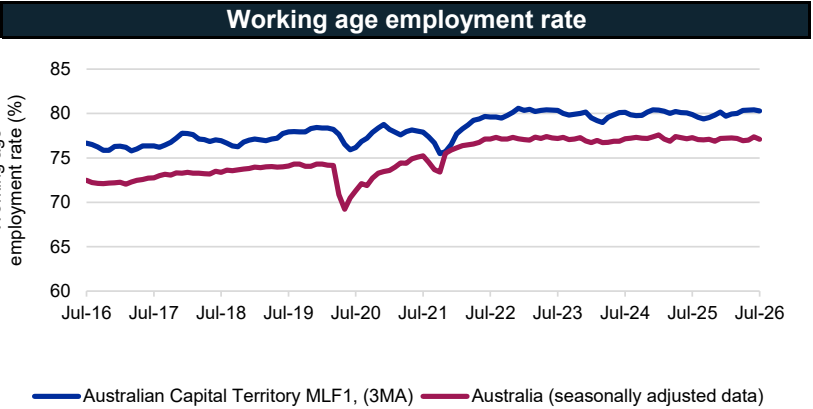
Data current as at 20 August 2026

Refer to source notes for data reference periods

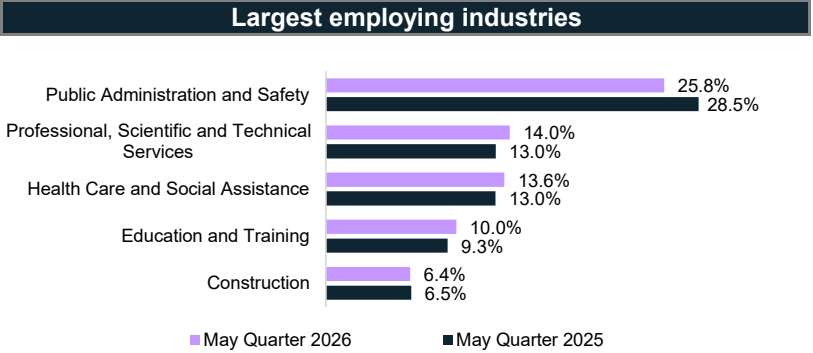
This Labour Market Dashboard provides a summary of the key indicators for the Australian Capital Territory labour market. Dashboards for Australia and Employment Regions are also available.

Labour market summary table											
	Working Age Employment Rate		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Working Age Participation Rate		Youth unemployment rate	
	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)	Jul-26 ('000)	Jul-25 ('000)	Change (%)	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)
Australian Capital Territory	80.3	79.9	11.6	11.2	3.8	4.0	3.9	83.3	82.9	9.7	8.1
Australia	77.1	77.3	691.5	646.5	7.0	4.5	4.2	80.8	80.8	10.4	9.8

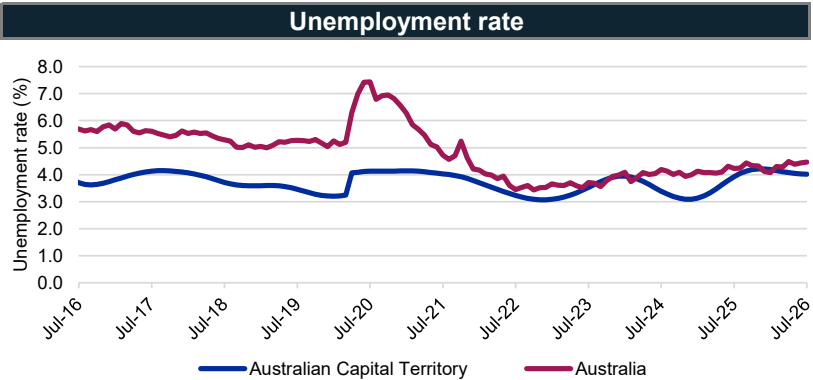
Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, July-26. Data are seasonally adjusted unless otherwise stated. state & and territory Youth unemployment rates are based on 12-month average MLF1 estimates, while working-age employment and participation rates are based on 3-month average MLF1 estimates.Trend estimates are used for unemployment and unemployment rates in the Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.



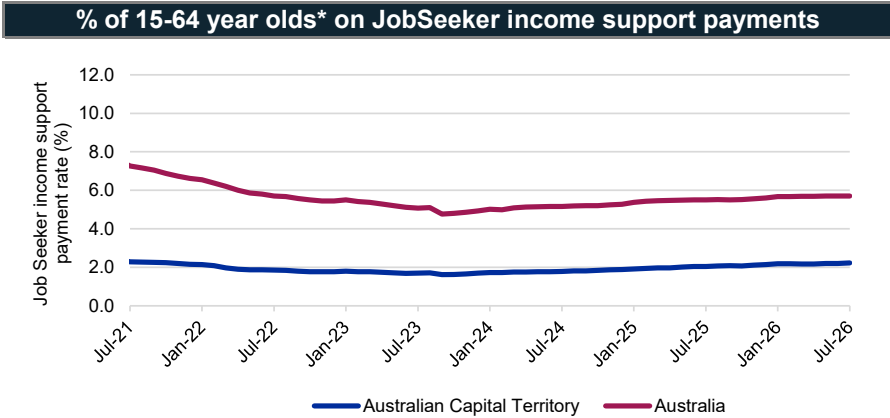
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted & MLF1 data (3MA), July -26



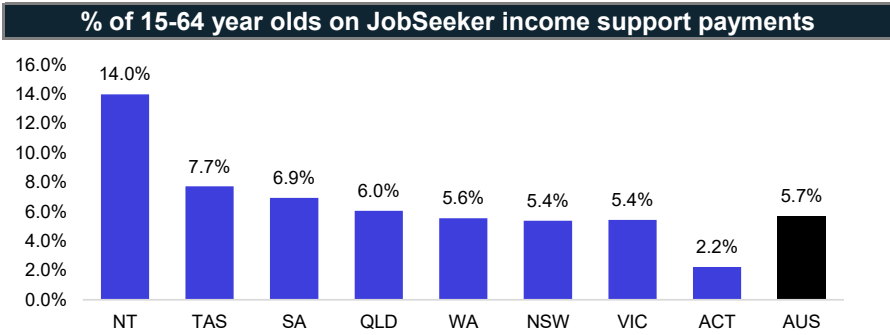
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, 4 quarter average, May-26 quarter



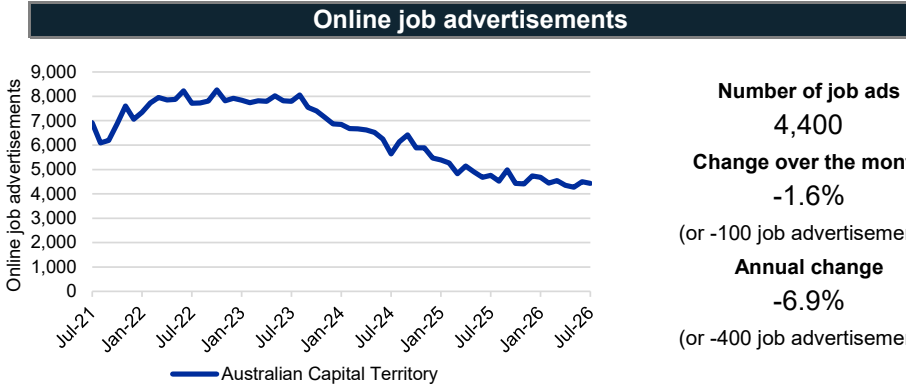
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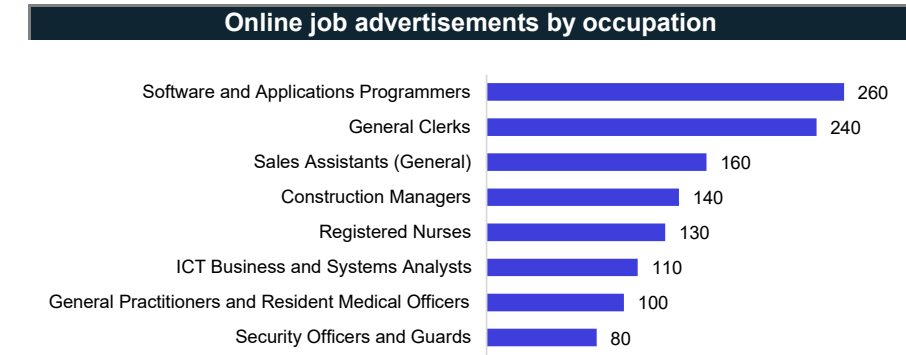
Change in JobSeeker income support payments		
	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
Payments - July 2025	9,710	986,090
Payments - July 2026	10,565	1,035,160
Change (July 2025 to July 2026)	↑ 855	↑ 49,070
Change % (July 2025 to July 2026)	↑ 8.8%	↑ 5.0%



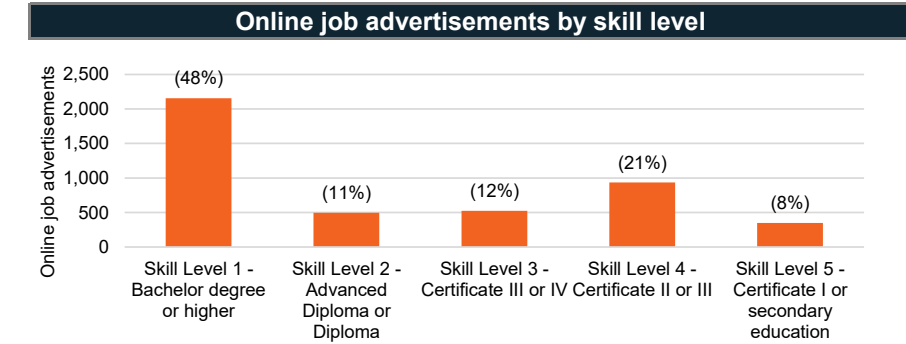
Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker income support payment recipients, data.gov.au, July - 26; ABS, Labour Force Survey, MLF1, July -26



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, July-26



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, original data (3MA), July-26



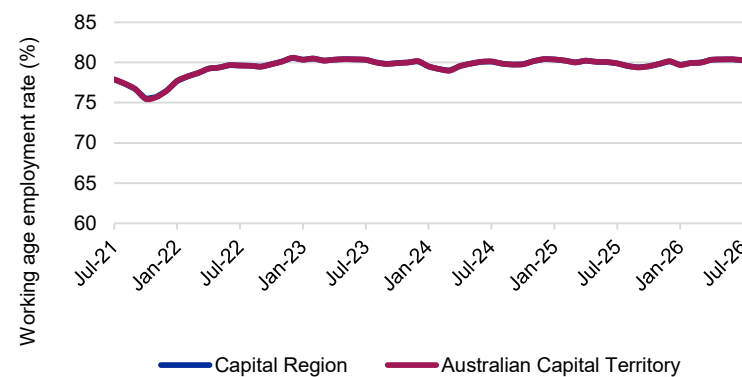
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This **Labour Market Dashboard** provides key indicators for the labour market by Employment Region and is updated monthly.

Labour market summary table											
	Working age employment rate		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Working age participation rate		Youth unemployment rate	
	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)	Jul-26 ('000)	Jul-25 ('000)	Change (%)	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)
Capital Region	80.3	79.9	14.8	15.1	-1.7	3.5	3.6	83.3	82.9	9.7	8.1
Australian Capital Territory	80.3	79.9	11.6	11.2	3.8	4.0	3.9	83.3	82.9	9.7	8.1
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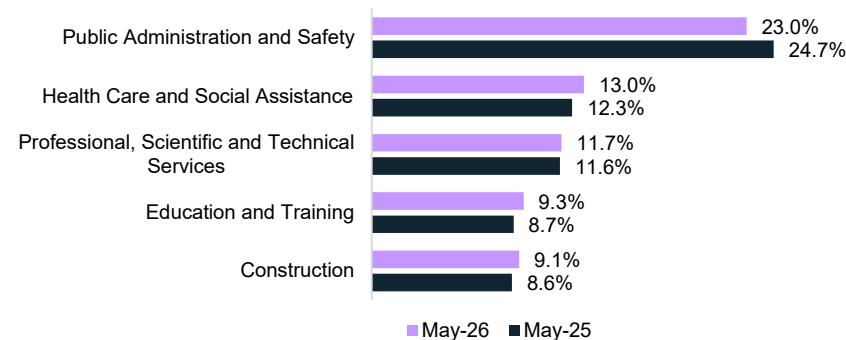
National data are from the ABS Labour Force Survey (seasonally adjusted). State & Territory and Employment Region data are based on ABS Labour Force Survey MLF1 (3-month average) estimates July -26, except youth unemployment rates, which use 12-month average of MLF1 estimates. State and Territory unemployment and unemployment rates are seasonally adjusted, with trend data used for the Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

Working age employment rate (%)



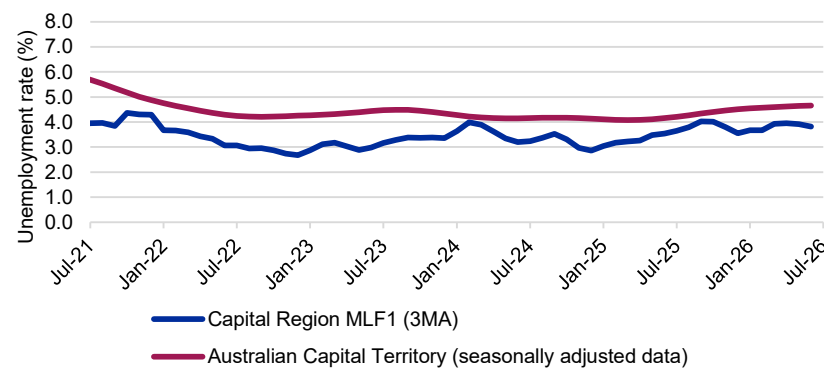
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, MLF1, (3MA), July 2026

Largest employing industries



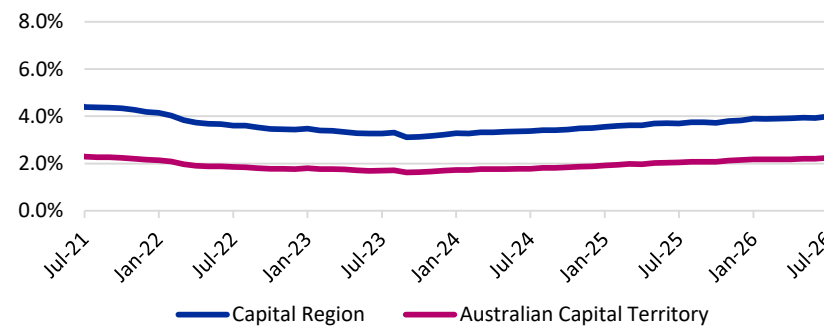
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, 4 quarter averages, May-26 quarter

Unemployment rate



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

JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Capital Region	Australian Capital Territory
Payments - July 2025	17,550	9,710
Payments - July 2026	18,880	10,565
Change from July 2025 to July 2026	1,330	855
	7.6%	8.8%

% 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
Capital Region	18,880	4.0%
Australian Capital Territory	10,565	2.2%
Australia	1,035,160	5.7%

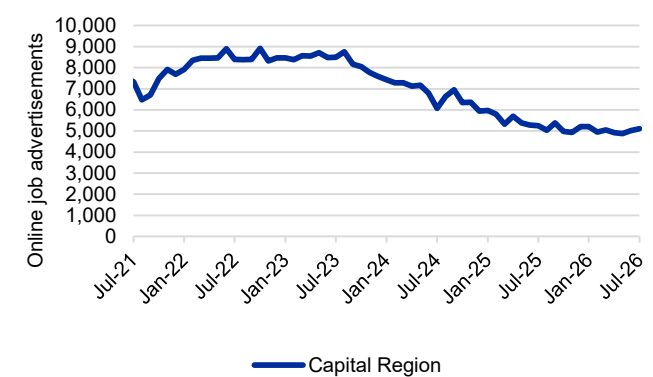
Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker income support payment recipients, July 2026; ABS, Labour Force Survey, MLF1 (3MA) July 2026

LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Unincorporated ACT	4.1	3.3
Hilltops	3.5	4.3
Goulburn Mulwaree	3.4	3.8
Upper Lachlan	1.9	2.0
Snowy Monaro	1.7	2.0

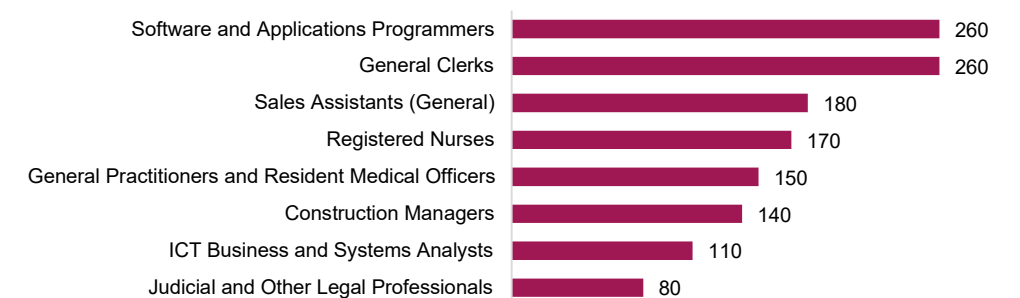
Source: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-26 quarter

Online job advertisements



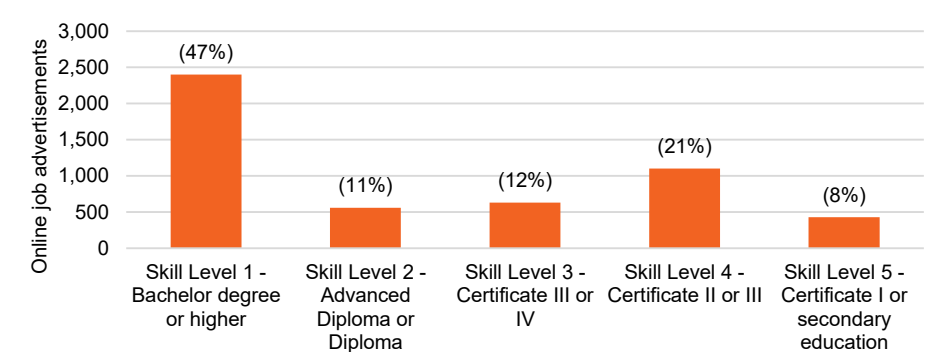
Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, July 2026

Online job advertisements by occupation



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, original data (3MA), July 2026

Online job advertisements by skill level



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