

Labour Market Dashboard
South Australia

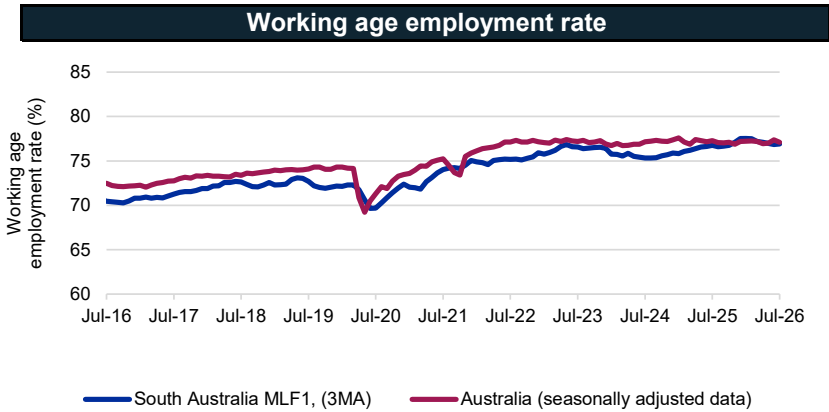
Data current as at 20 August 2026

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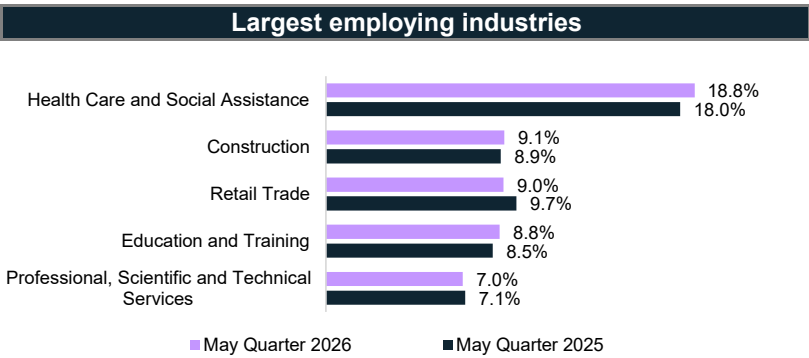
This Labour Market Dashboard provides a summary of the key indicators for the South Australian labour market. Dashboards for Australia and Employment Regions are also available.

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 (%)
South Australia	76.9	76.7	42.0	43.2	-2.7	4.1	4.2	80.4	80.3	9.7	9.6
Australia	77.1	77.3	691.5	646.5	7.0	4.5	4.2	80.8	80.8	10.4	9.8

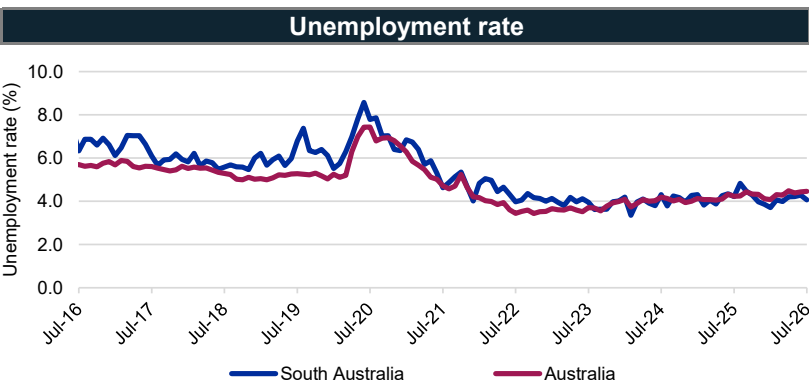
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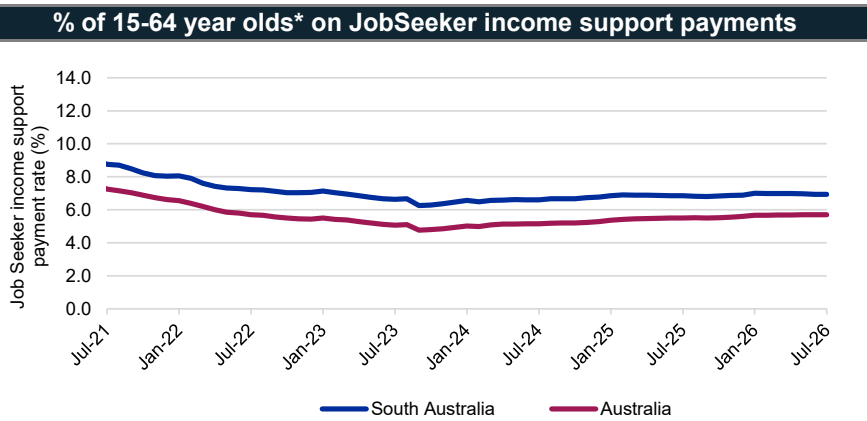
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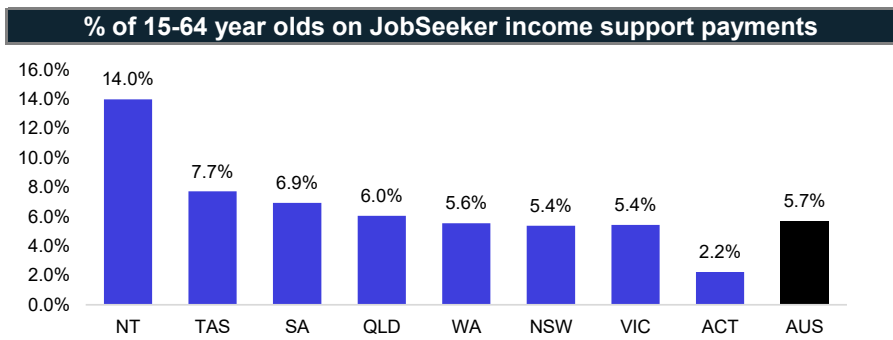
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, 4 quarter average, May-26 quarter



Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted data, July-26



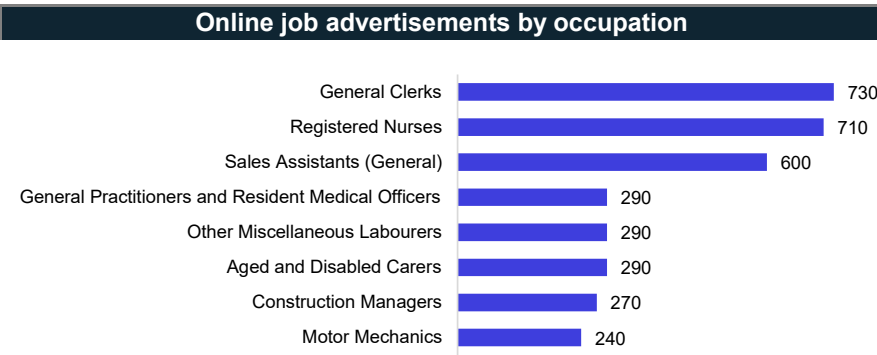
Change in JobSeeker income support payments		
	South Australia	Australia
Payments - July 2025	82,440	986,090
Payments - July 2026	84,115	1,035,160
Change (July 2025 to July 2026)	↑ 1,675	↑ 49,070
Change % (July 2025 to July 2026)	↑ 2.0%	↑ 5.0%



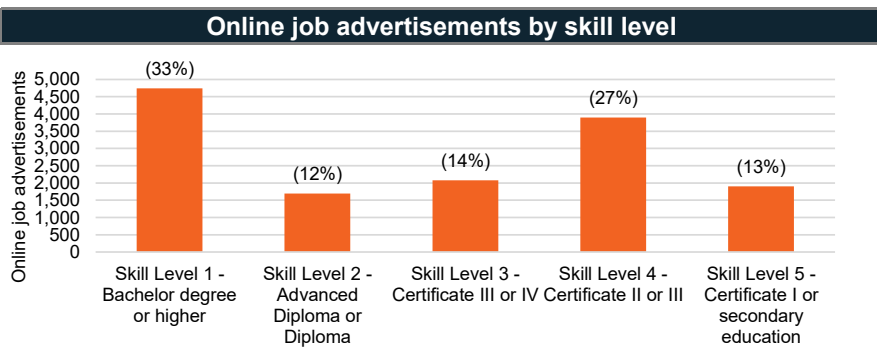
Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker income support payment recipients, data.gov.au, July - 26; ABS, Labour Force Survey, MLF1, July -26



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



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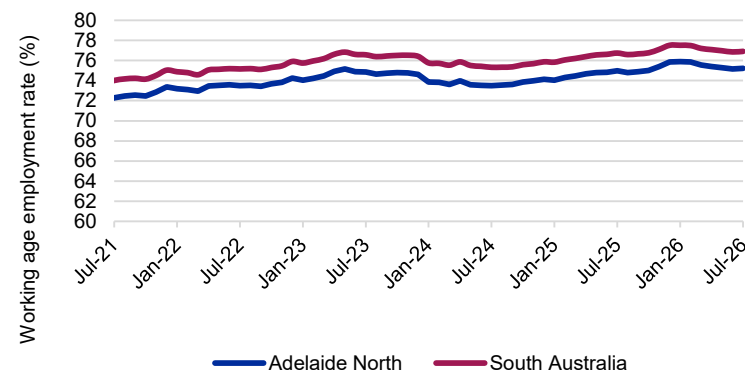
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Labour market summary table											
	Working age employment rate		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Working age participation rate		Youth unemployment rate	
	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)	Jul-26 ('000)	Jul-25 ('000)	Change (%)	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)	Jul-26 (%)	Jul-25 (%)
Adelaide North	75.2	75.0	20.2	20.1	0.1	4.9	5.0	79.2	79.0	11.5	11.1
South Australia	76.9	76.7	42.0	43.2	-2.7	4.1	4.2	80.4	80.3	9.7	9.6
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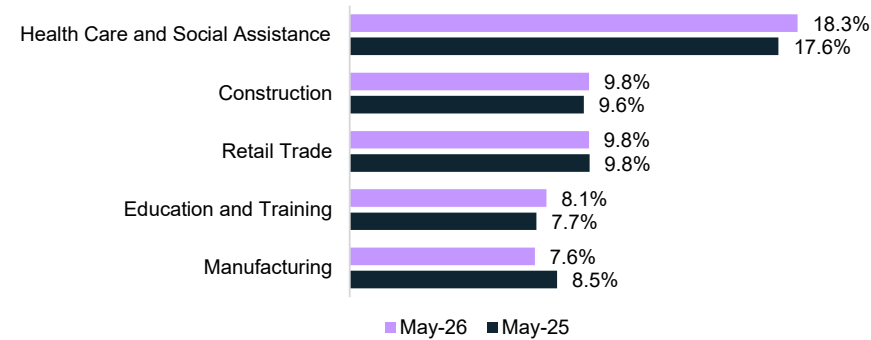
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Working age employment rate (%)



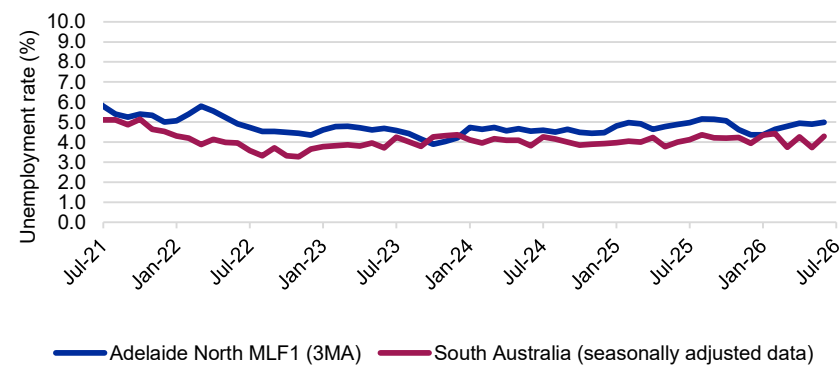
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, MLF1, (3MA), July 2026

Largest employing industries



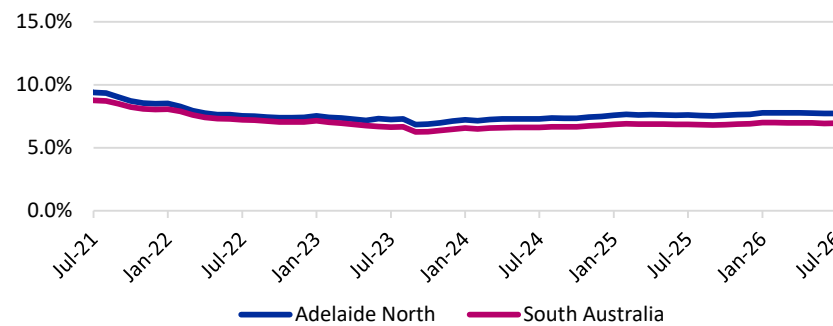
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, 4 quarter averages, May-26 quarter

Unemployment rate



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

JobSeeker income support payments



Change in JobSeeker income support payments

	Adelaide North	South Australia
Payments - July 2025	37,640	82,440
Payments - July 2026	38,590	84,115
Change from July 2025 to July 2026	950	1,675
	2.5%	2.0%

% 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
Adelaide North	38,590	7.7%
South Australia	84,115	6.9%
Australia	1,035,160	5.7%

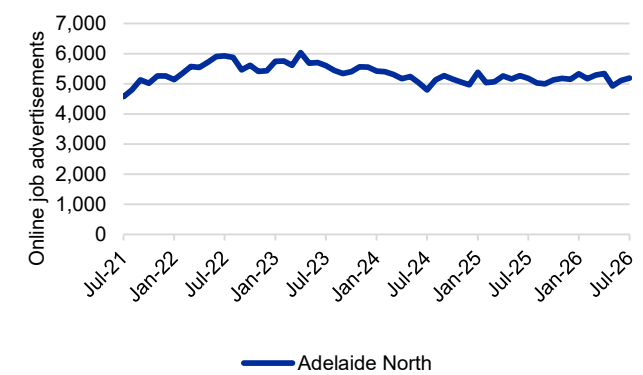
Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker income support payment recipients, July 2026; ABS, Labour Force Survey, MLF1 (3MA) July 2026

LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Playford	9.6	8.1
Salisbury	5.9	5.2
Port Adelaide Enfield	4.2	4.9
Gawler	4.1	3.8
Adelaide Plains	3.5	3.5

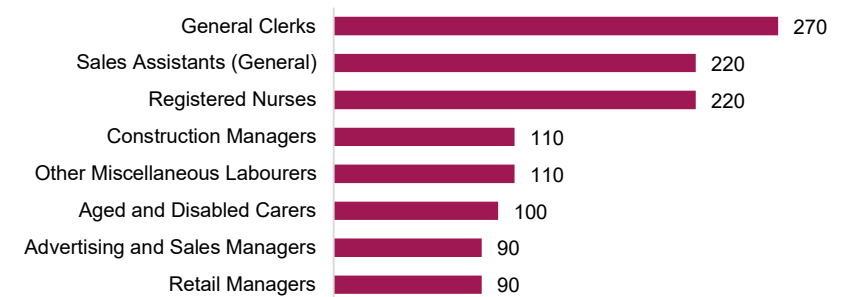
Source: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-26 quarter

Online job advertisements



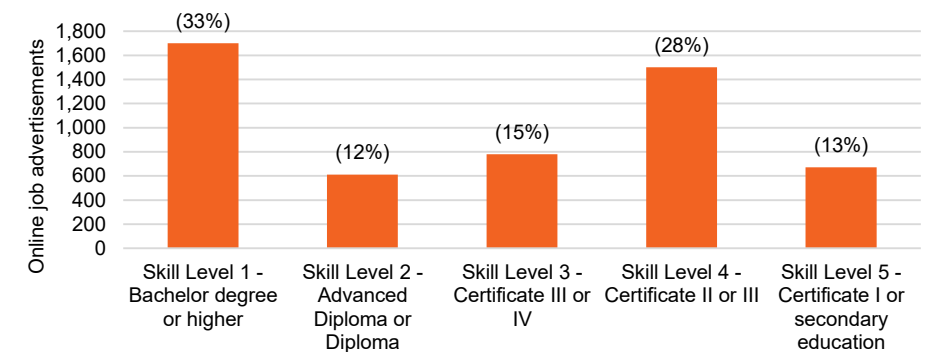
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Online job advertisements by occupation



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

Online job advertisements by skill level

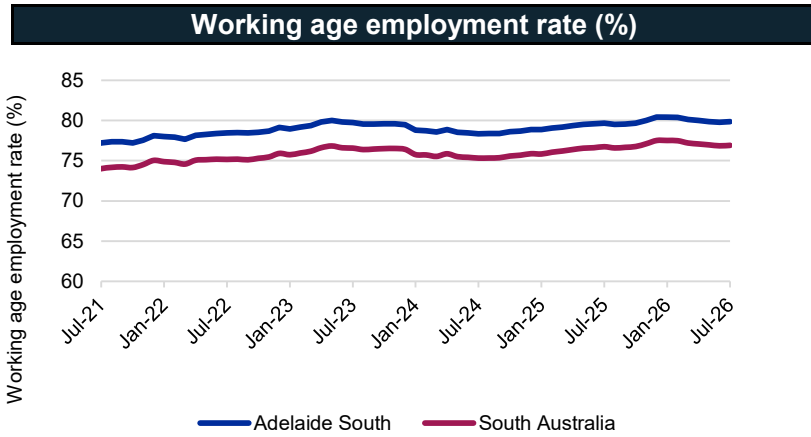


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Adelaide South	79.9	79.7	14.5	14.9	-2.6	3.4	3.6	82.8	82.7	8.8	8.7
South Australia	76.9	76.7	42.0	43.2	-2.7	4.1	4.2	80.4	80.3	9.7	9.6
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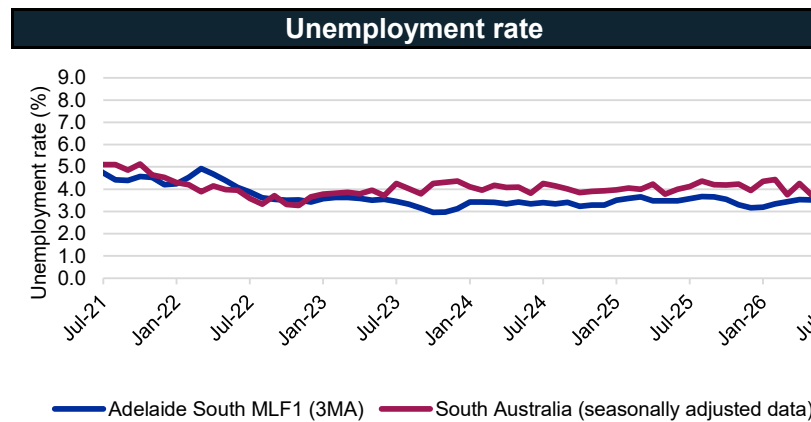
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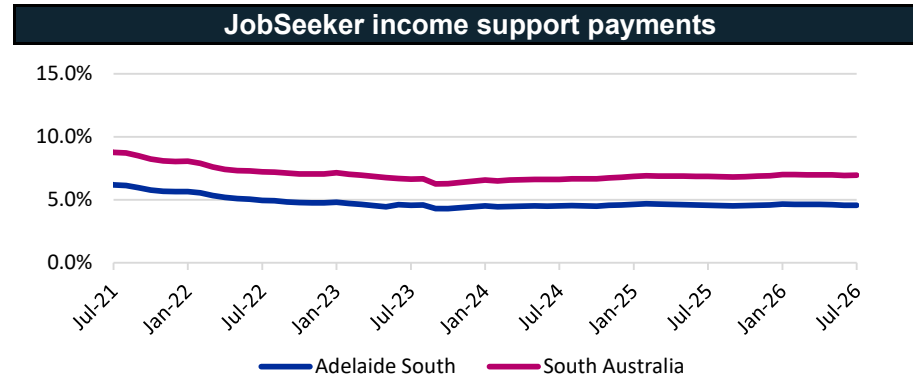
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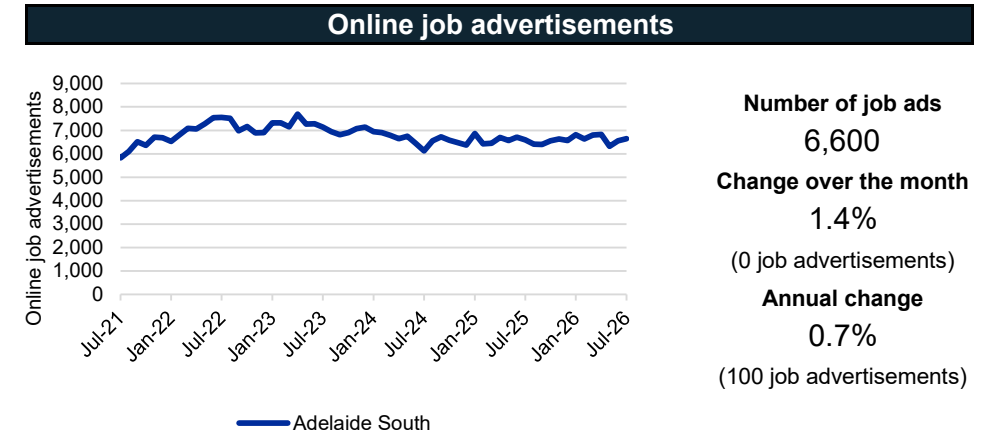
Change in JobSeeker income support payments		
	Adelaide South	South Australia
Payments - July 2025	21,580	82,440
Payments - July 2026	21,785	84,115
Change from July 2025 to July 2026	205	1,675
	0.9%	2.0%

% 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
Adelaide South	21,785	4.6%
South Australia	84,115	6.9%
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
Adelaide	6.0	6.9
Onkaparinga	4.6	5.2
Victor Harbor	3.7	3.1
Mount Barker	3.6	3.6
Campbelltown (SA)	3.3	3.5

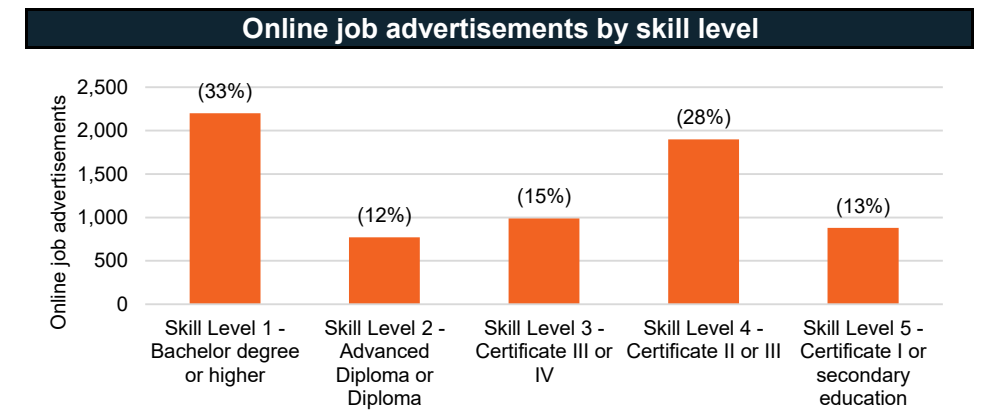
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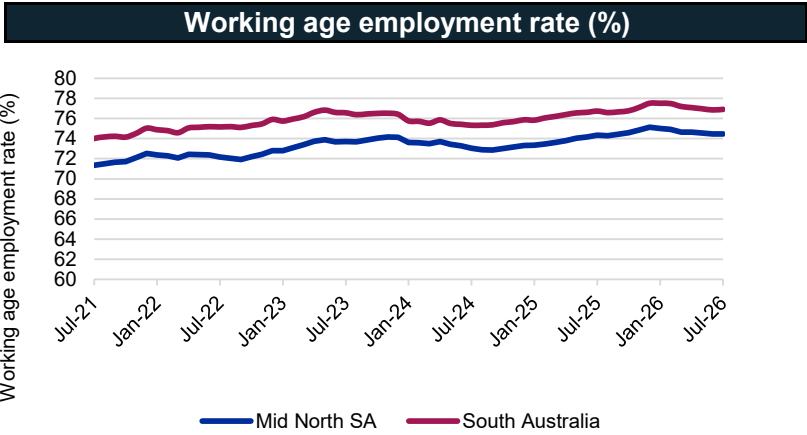


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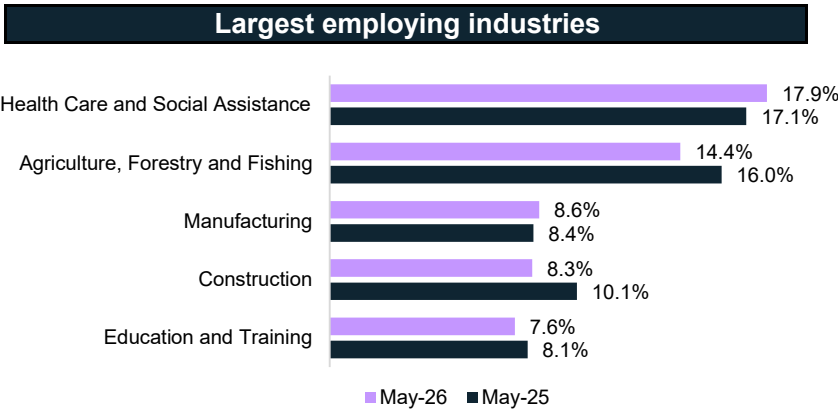
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Mid North SA	74.5	74.3	2.6	2.6	-0.2	4.4	4.4	78.0	78.0	8.6	9.1
South Australia	76.9	76.7	42.0	43.2	-2.7	4.1	4.2	80.4	80.3	9.7	9.6
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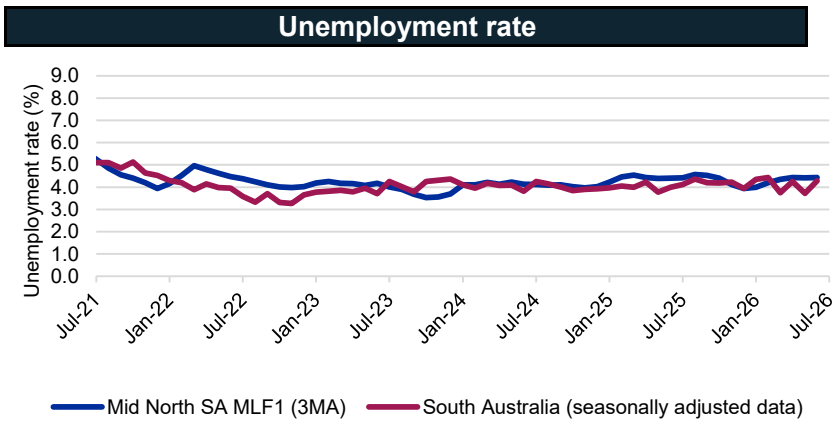
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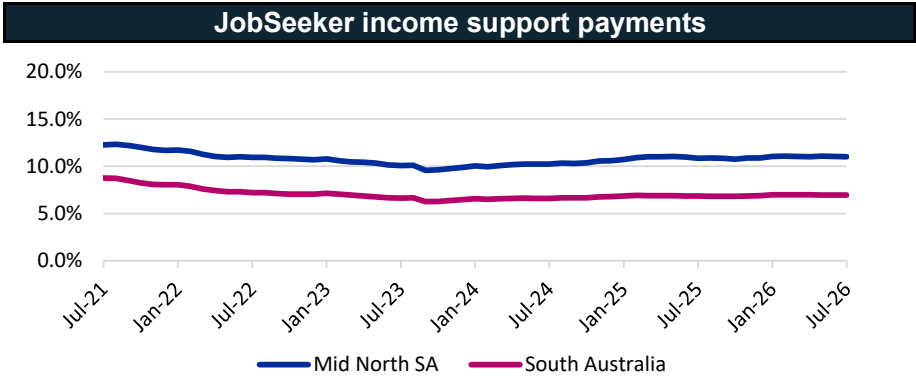
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Change in JobSeeker income support payments		
	Mid North SA	South Australia
Payments - July 2025	7,400	82,440
Payments - July 2026	7,530	84,115
Change from July 2025 to July 2026	130	1,675
	1.8%	2.0%

% 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 SA	7,530	11.0%
South Australia	84,115	6.9%
Australia	1,035,160	5.7%

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Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Port Pirie	9.1	10.1
Goyder	6.9	6.4
Peterborough*	6.8	7.0
Orroroo Carrieton*	6.8	7.0
Copper Coast	6.6	7.3

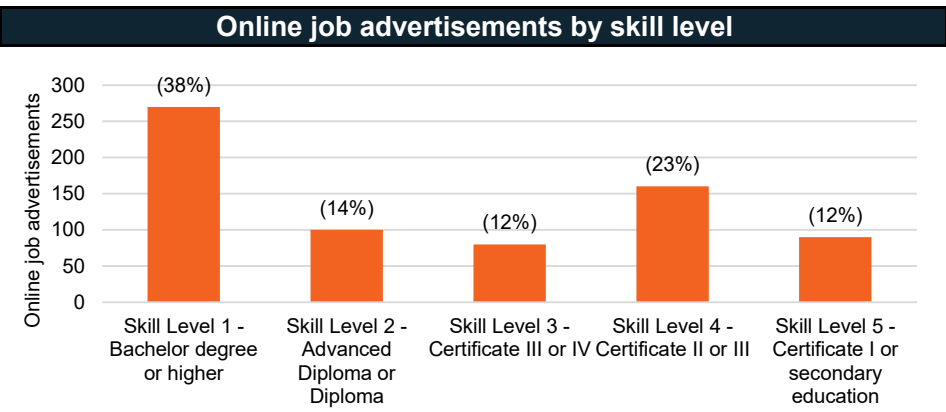
Note: * data should be used with caution due to the small size of the labour force. For more insights, access SALM data via DEWR Source: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-26 quarter



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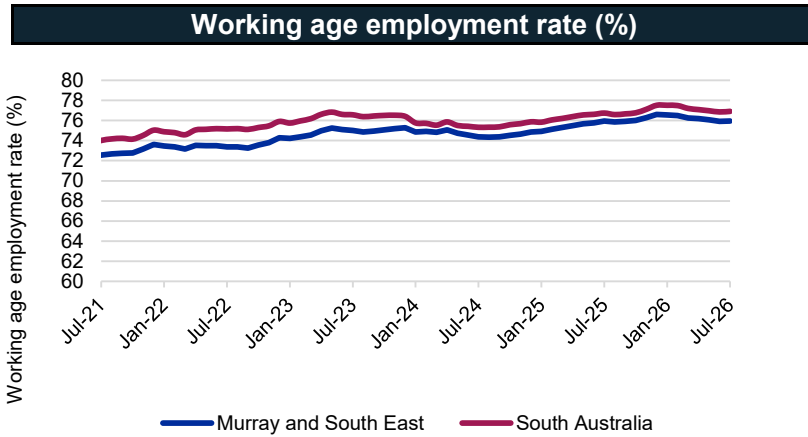


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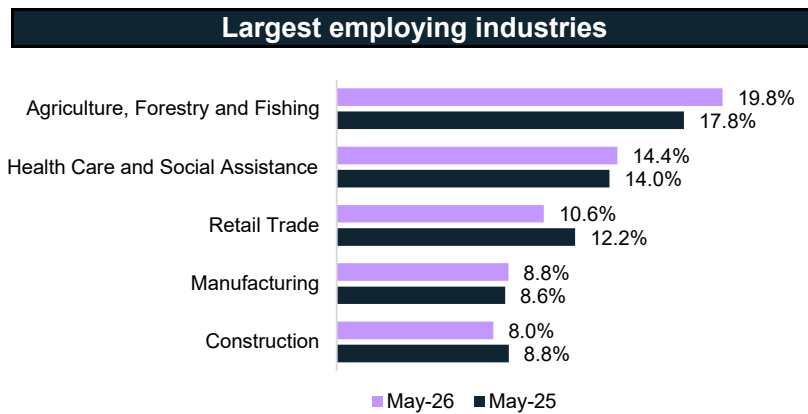
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Murray and South East	75.9	76.0	3.7	3.8	-0.7	3.7	3.8	79.1	79.2	7.0	7.5
South Australia	76.9	76.7	42.0	43.2	-2.7	4.1	4.2	80.4	80.3	9.7	9.6
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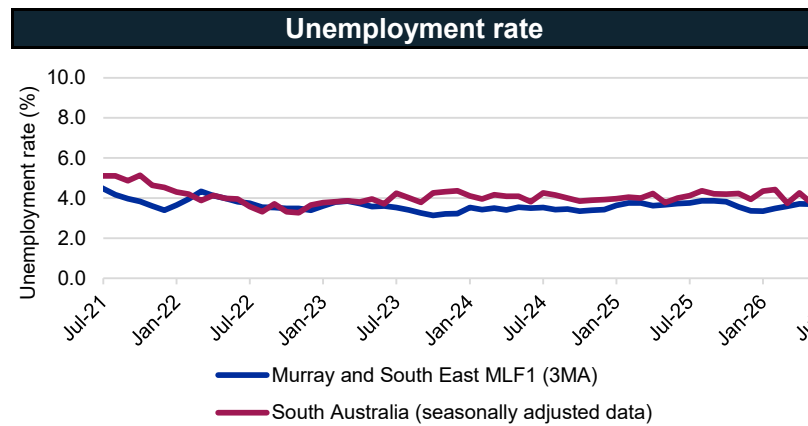
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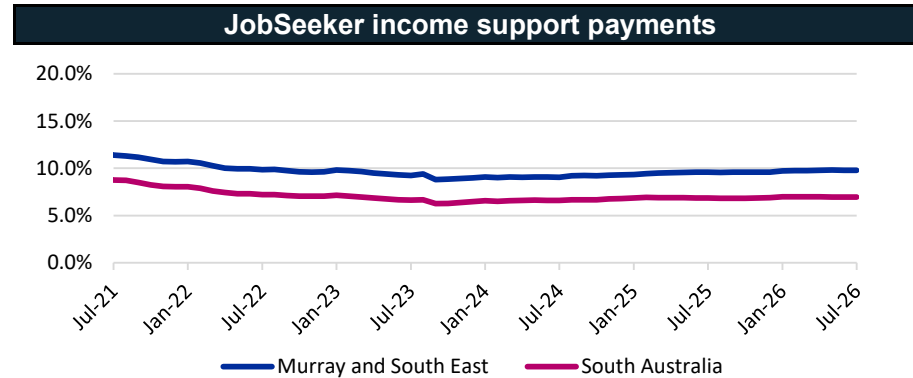
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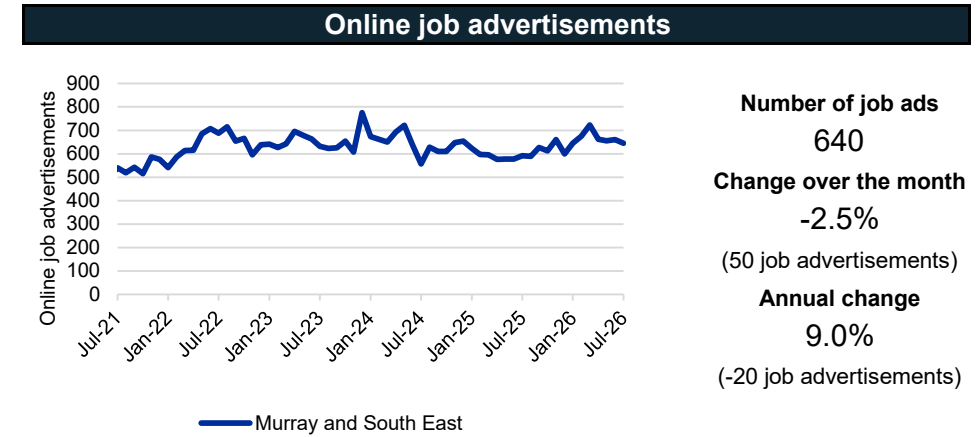
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	Murray and South East	South Australia
Payments - July 2025	11,045	82,440
Payments - July 2026	11,310	84,115
Change from July 2025 to July 2026	265	1,675
	2.4%	2.0%

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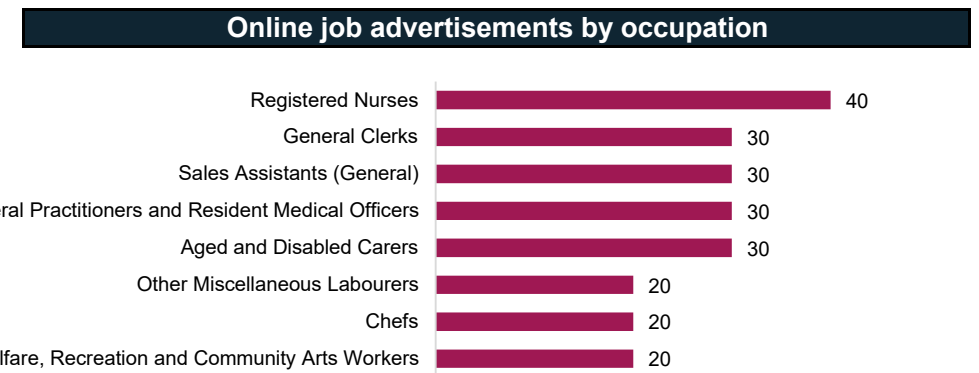
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Murray Bridge	5.6	4.3
Berri Barmera	5.0	4.1
Mid Murray	4.9	4.0
Mount Gambier	4.2	3.3
Coorong	4.1	3.3

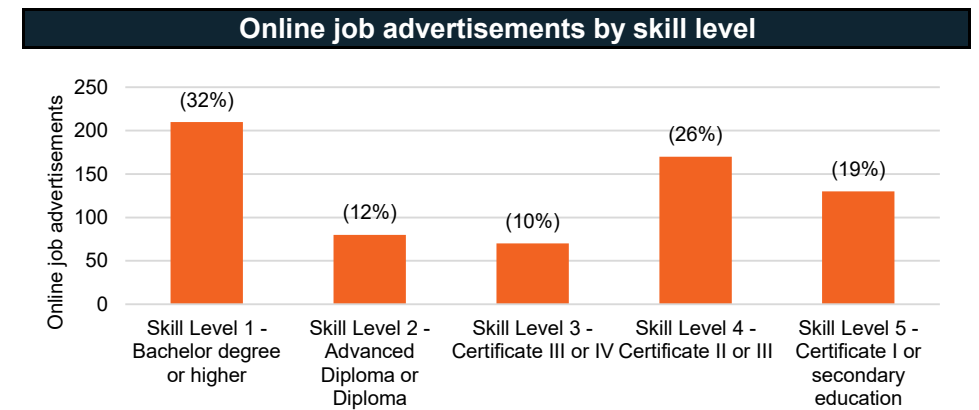
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