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## Labour Market Dashboard Northern Territory

Data current as at 20 August 2026

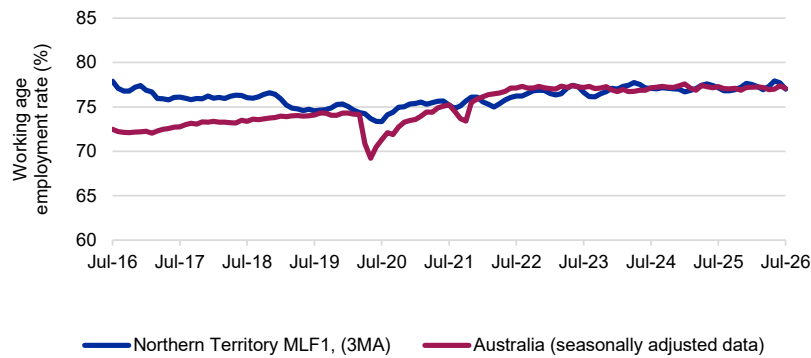
Refer to source notes for data reference periods

This Labour Market Dashboard provides a summary of the key indicators for the Northern 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 (%) |
| Northern Territory          | 77.0                        | 77.2       | 7.3           | 6.4           | 13.6       | 4.7               | 4.2        | 80.7                           | 80.5       | 10.4                    | 9.7        |
| Australia                   | 77.1                        | 77.3       | 691.5         | 646.5         | 7.0        | 4.5               | 4.2        | 80.8                           | 80.8       | 10.4                    | 9.8        |

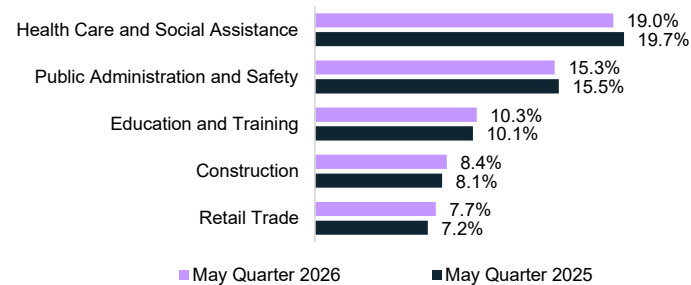
Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, July-26. Data are seasonally adjusted unless otherwise stated. state & and territory Youth unemployment rates are based on 12-month average MLF1 estimates, while working-age employment and participation rates are based on 3-month average MLF1 estimates. Trend estimates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

### Working age employment rate



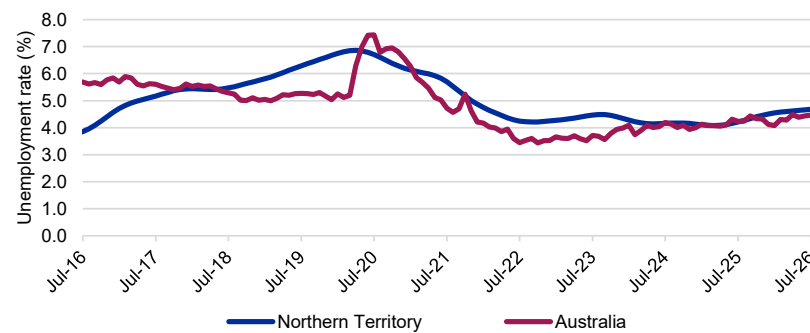
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted & MLF1 data (3MA), July -26

### Largest employing industries



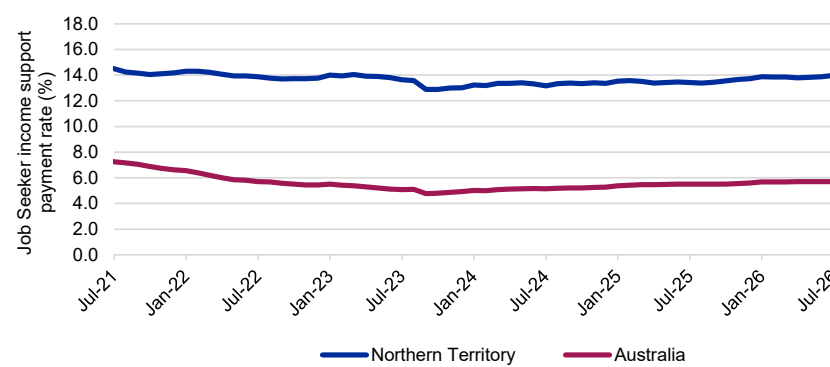
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, 4 quarter average, May-26 quarter

### Unemployment rate



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

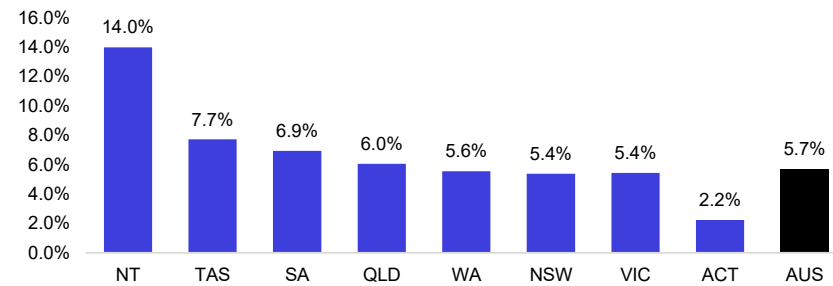
### % of 15-64 year olds\* on JobSeeker income support payments



### Change in JobSeeker income support payments

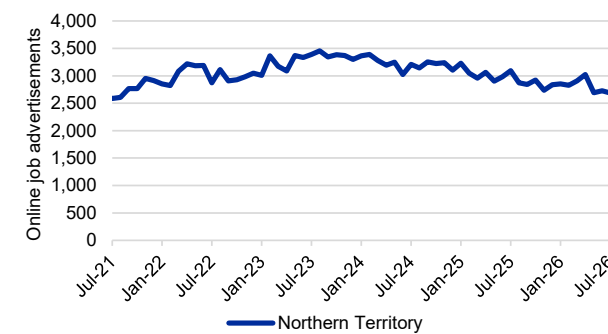
|                                   | Northern Territory | Australia |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Payments - July 2025              | 24,160             | 986,090   |
| Payments - July 2026              | 25,445             | 1,035,160 |
| Change (July 2025 to July 2026)   | ↑ 1,285            | ↑ 49,070  |
| Change % (July 2025 to July 2026) | ↑ 5.3%             | ↑ 5.0%    |

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



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

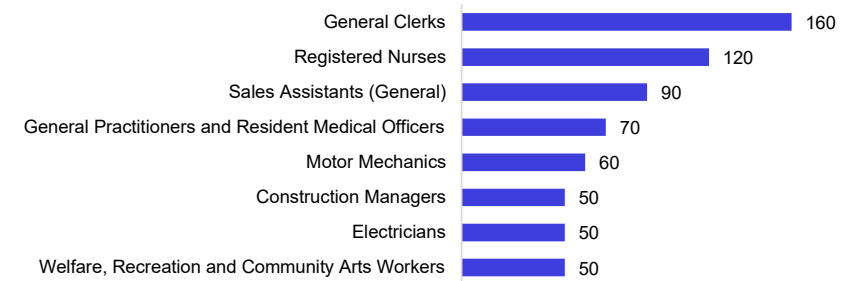
### Online job advertisements



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

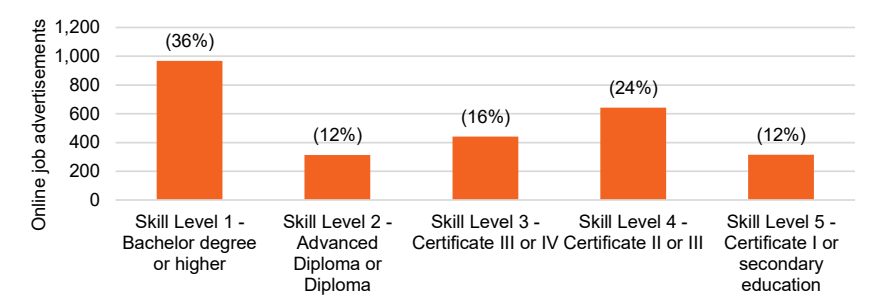
Number of job ads  
2,700  
Change over the month  
-1.5%  
(or job advertisements)  
Annual change  
-13.2%  
(or -400 job advertisements)

### Online job advertisements by occupation



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

### Online job advertisements by skill level



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

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](mailto:RegionalWorkforceAssessment@jobsandskills.gov.au).