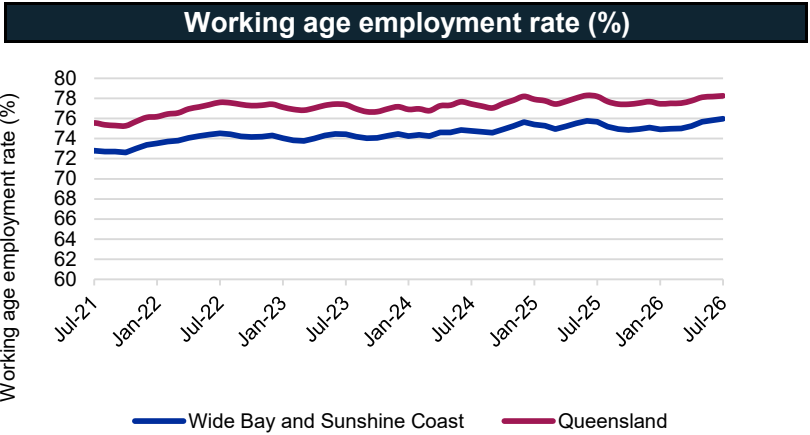


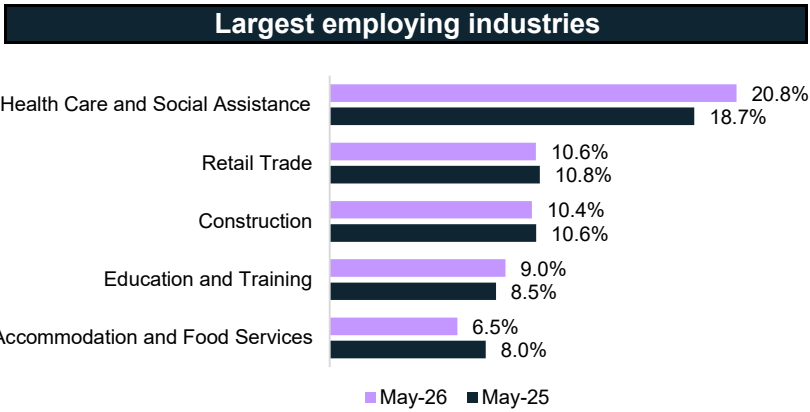
This **Labour Market Dashboard** provides key indicators for the labour market by Employment Region and is updated monthly.

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 (%)
Wide Bay and Sunshine Coast	76.0	75.7	15.1	15.1	0.0	3.8	3.9	79.1	78.9	9.8	9.2
Queensland	78.3	78.2	133.3	128.7	3.6	4.2	4.1	81.7	81.5	9.8	9.2
Australia	77.1	77.3	691.5	646.5	7.0	4.5	4.2	80.8	80.8	10.4	9.8

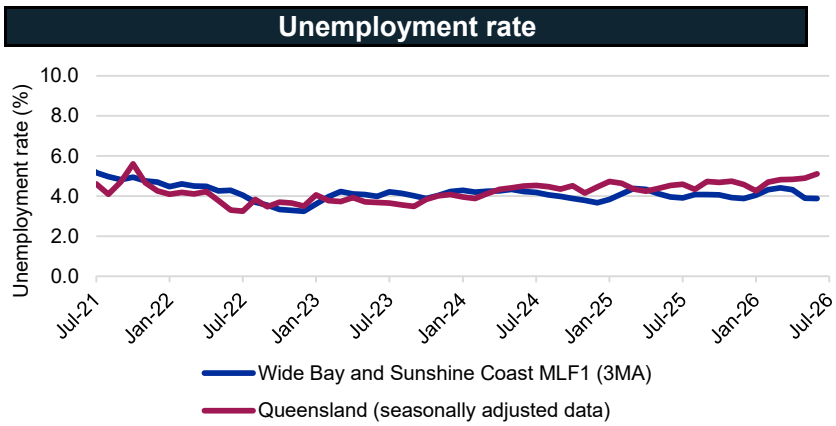
National data are from the ABS Labour Force Survey (seasonally adjusted). State & Territory and Employment Region data are based on ABS Labour Force Survey MLF1 (3-month average) estimates July -26, except youth unemployment rates, which use 12-month average of MLF1 estimates. State and Territory unemployment and unemployment rates are seasonally adjusted.



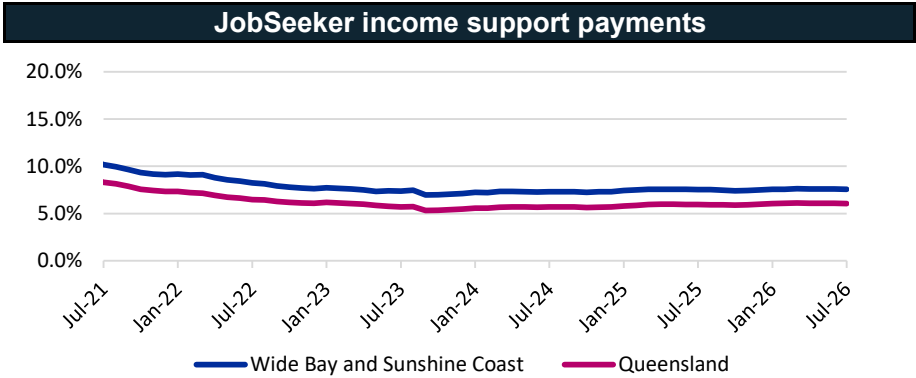
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, MLF1, (3MA), July 2026



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



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



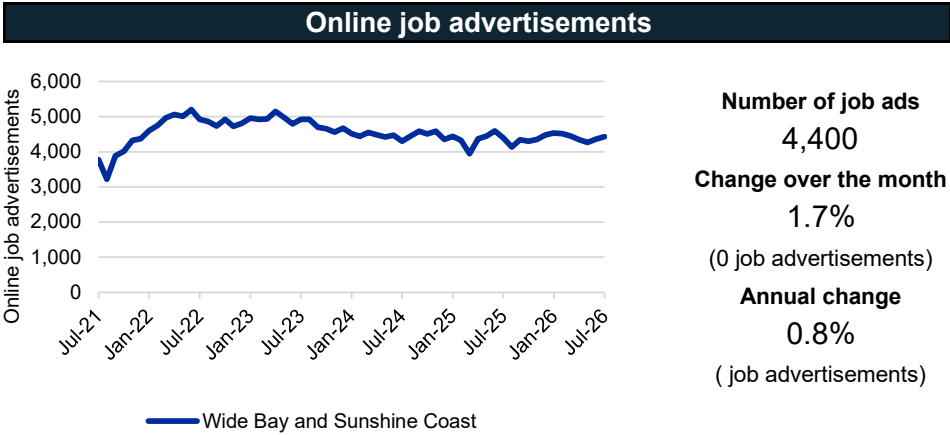
Change in JobSeeker income support payments		
	Wide Bay and Sunshine Coast	Queensland
Payments - July 2025	34,500	217,830
Payments - July 2026	35,055	225,215
Change from July 2025 to July 2026	555	7,385
	1.6%	3.4%

% 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
Wide Bay and Sunshine Coast	35,055	7.6%
Queensland	225,215	6.0%
Australia	1,035,160	5.7%

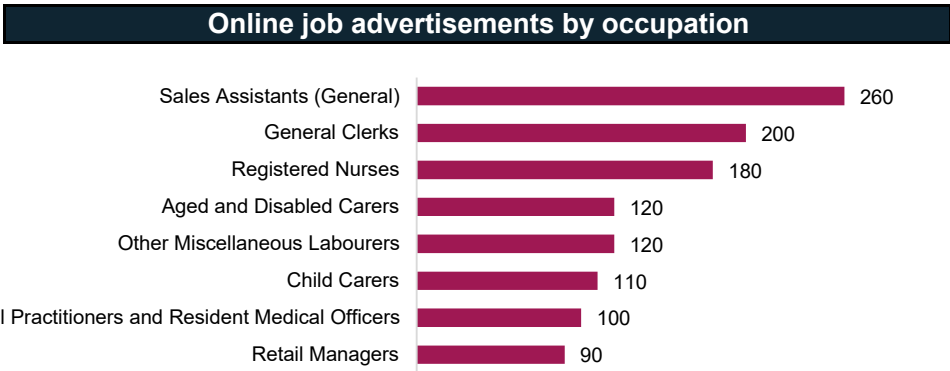
Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker income support payment recipients, July 2026; ABS, Labour Force Survey, MLF1 (3MA) July 2026

LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Cherbourg*	7.0	10.6
South Burnett	5.0	8.0
Fraser Coast	4.5	7.0
Gympie	4.0	6.0
Bundaberg	3.8	6.0

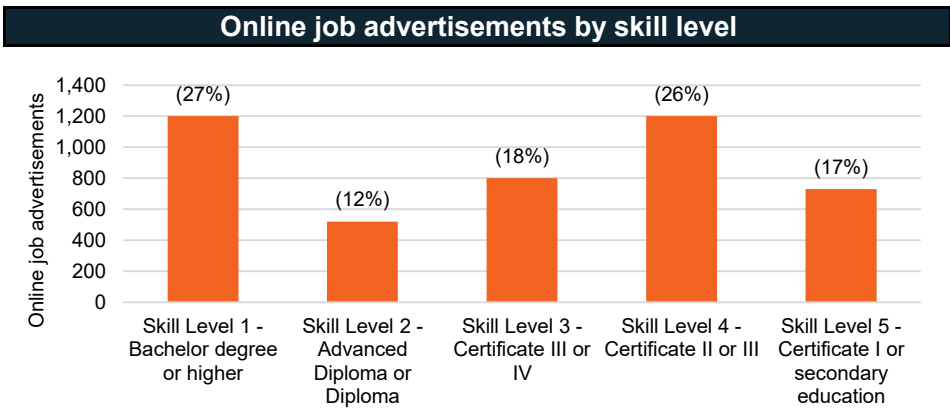
Note: * data should be used with caution due to the small size of the labour force. For more insights, access SALM data via DEWR Source: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-26 quarter



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



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



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