

Labour Market Dashboard
Australia

Data current as at 24 September 2026

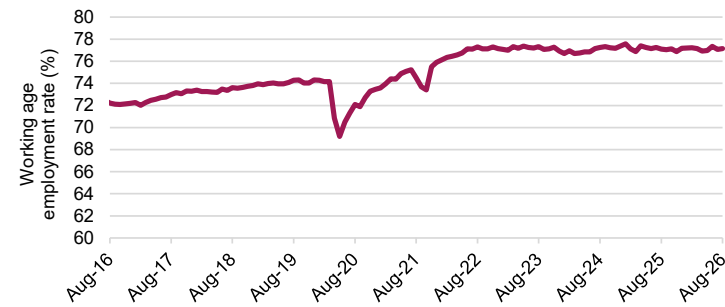
Refer to source notes for data reference periods

This Labour Market Dashboard provides a summary of the key indicators for the Australian labour market. State, territory and Employment Region dashboards are also available.

Labour market summary table											
	Working Age Employment Rate		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Working Age Participation Rate		Youth unemployment rate	
	Aug-26 (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-26 ('000)	Aug-25 ('000)	Change (%)	Aug-26 (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-26 (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-26 (%)	Aug-25 (%)
Australia	77.1	77.1	722.9	642.9	12.4	4.6	4.2	81.0	80.6	10.8	9.7

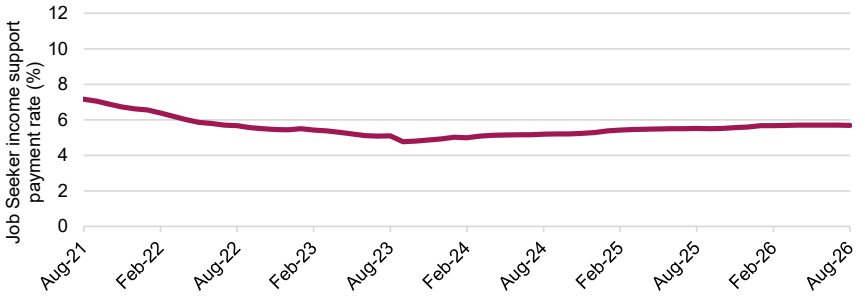
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted data, August-26

Working age employment rate

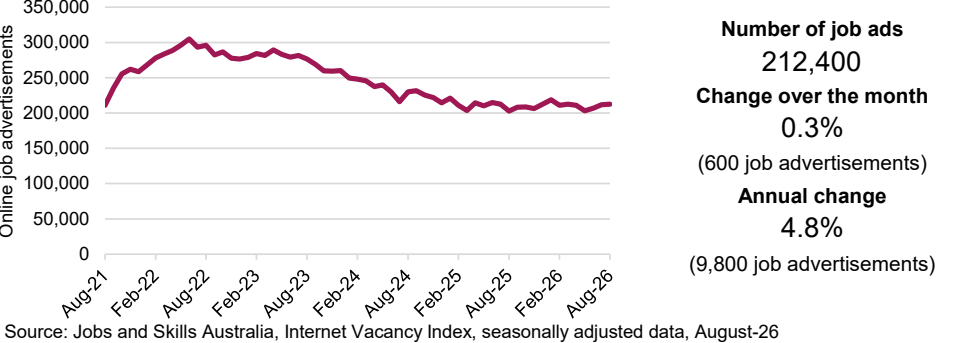


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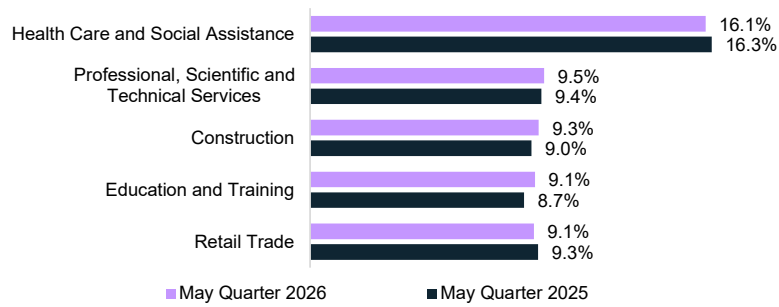
% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments



Online job advertisements



Largest employing industries

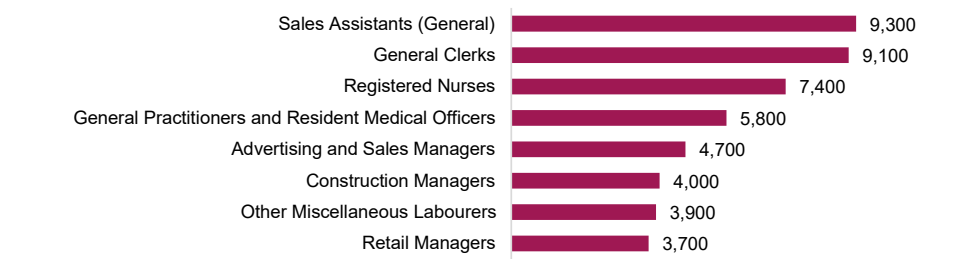


Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, 4 quarter average, May-26 quarter

Change in JobSeeker income support payments

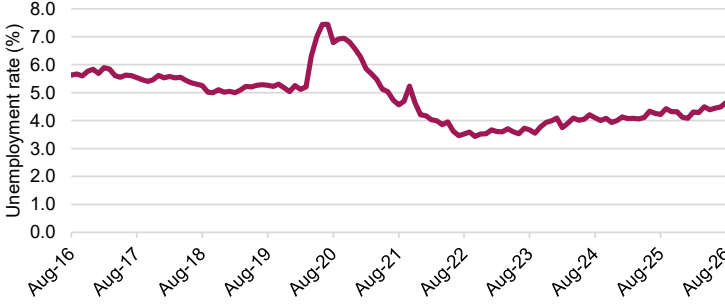
Payments - August 2025	987,955
Payments - August 2026	1,033,140
Change (August 2025 to August 2026)	↑ 45,185
Change % (August 2025 to August 2026)	↑ 4.6%

Online job advertisements by occupation



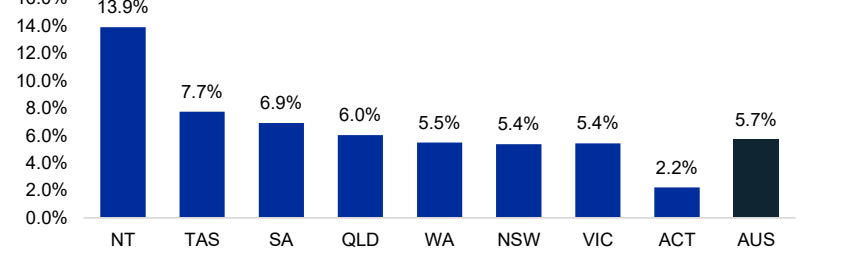
Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, original data (3MA), August-26

Unemployment rate



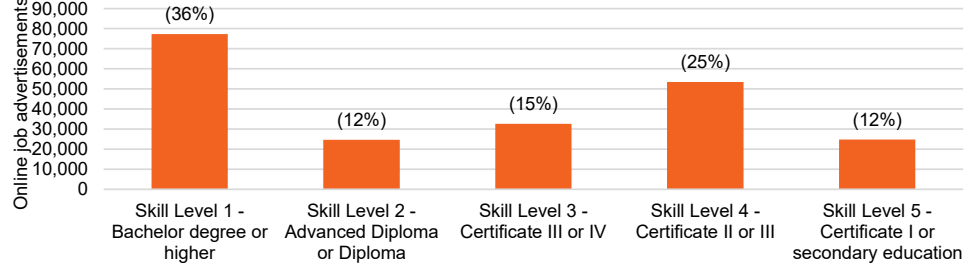
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% of 15-64 year olds on JobSeeker income support payments



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

Online job advertisements by skill level



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

Notes: JobSeeker income support payment 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.