

Labour Market Dashboard
New South Wales

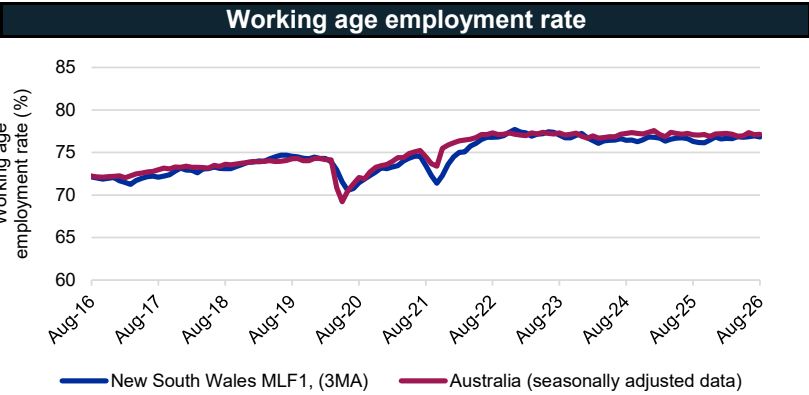
Data current as at 24 September 2026

Refer to source notes for data reference periods

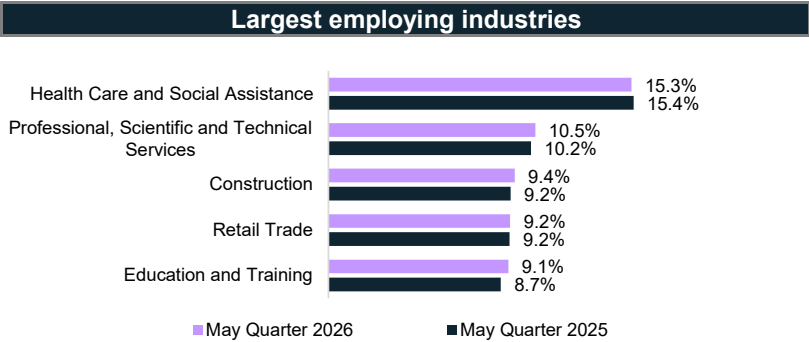
This Labour Market Dashboard provides a summary of the key indicators for the New South Wales labour market. Dashboards for Australia and Employment Regions are also available.

Labour market summary table											
	Working Age Employment Rate		Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Working Age Participation Rate		Youth unemployment rate	
	Aug-26 (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-26 ('000)	Aug-25 ('000)	Change (%)	Aug-26 (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-26 (%)	Aug-25 (%)	Aug-26 (%)	Aug-25 (%)
New South Wales	76.8	76.3	205.5	193.4	6.3	4.3	4.2	80.3	79.7	10.0	9.2
Australia	77.1	77.1	722.9	642.9	12.4	4.6	4.2	81.0	80.6	10.8	9.7

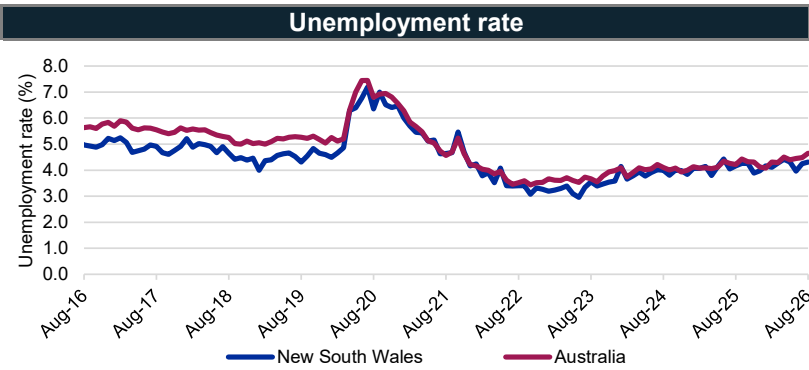
Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, August-26. Data are seasonally adjusted unless otherwise stated. state & and territory Youth unemployment rates are based on 12-month average MLF1 estimates, while working-age employment and participation rates are based on 3-month average MLF1 estimates.



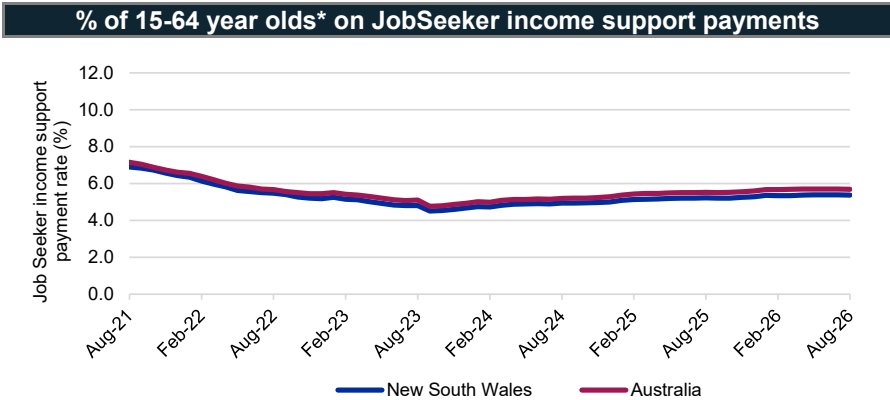
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted & MLF1 data (3MA), August -26



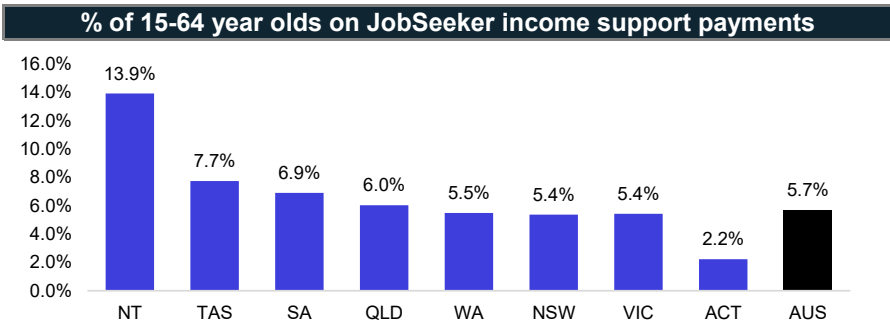
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, 4 quarter average, May-26 quarter



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



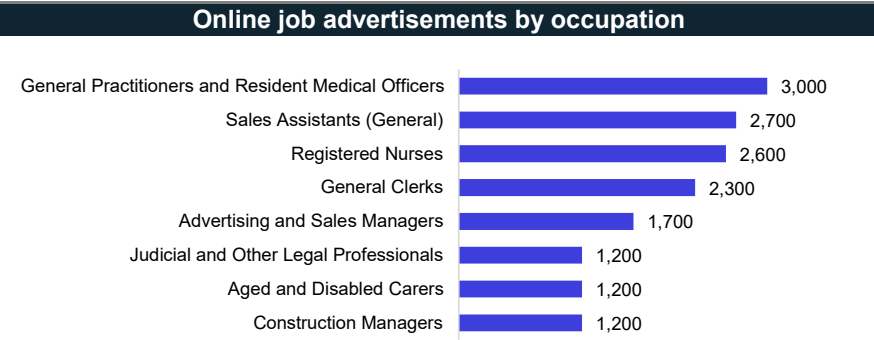
Change in JobSeeker income support payments		
	New South Wales	Australia
Payments - August 2025	281,370	987,955
Payments - August 2026	292,305	1,033,140
Change (August 2025 to August 2026)	↑ 10,935	↑ 45,185
Change % (August 2025 to August 2026)	↑ 3.9%	↑ 4.6%



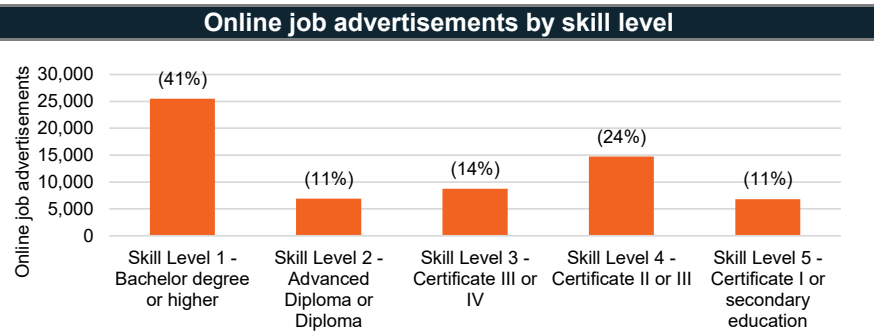
Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker income support payment recipients, data.gov.au, August -26; ABS, Labour Force Survey, MLF1, August -26



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



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



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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.