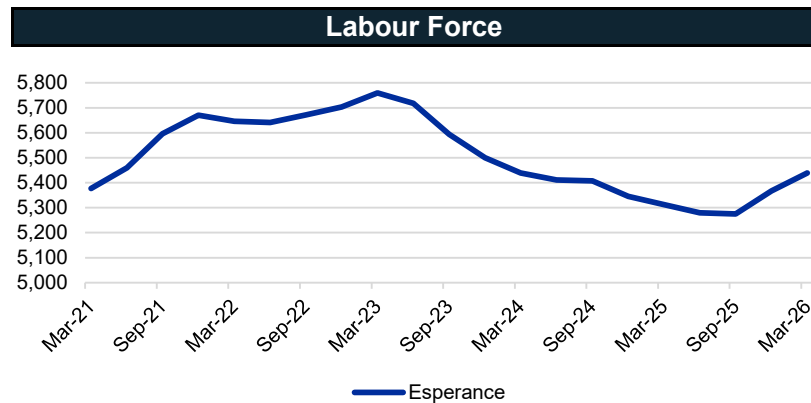


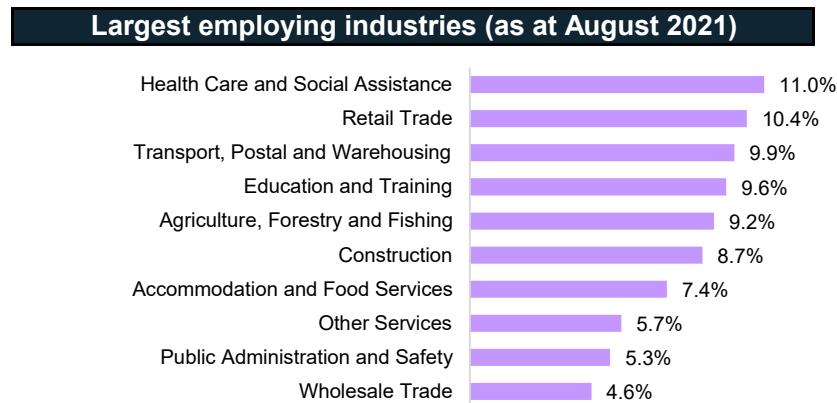
Labour market summary table								
	Labour Force			Unemployment			Unemployment rate	
	Mar-26	Mar-25	Change	Mar-26	Mar-25	Change	Mar-26	Mar-25
Esperance	5,455	5,279	3.3%	133	123	7.5%	2.4%	2.3%

Source: DEWR, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March-26 quarter

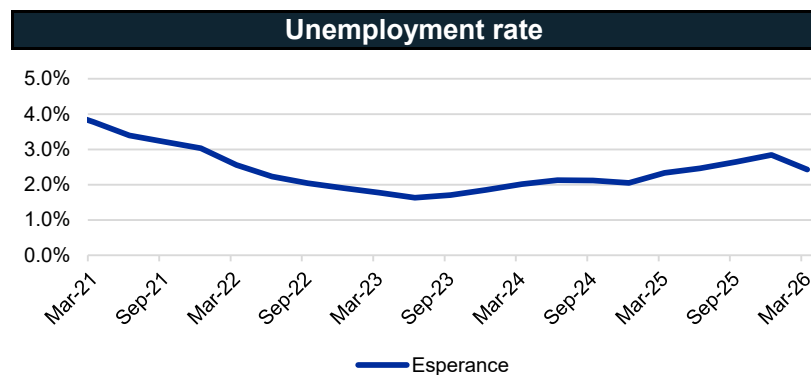
This monthly **Labour Market Dashboard** provides select key indicators for the labour market by Employment Region with available data. For this Employment Region, given the relevant SA4 can only provide a poor proxy, ABS Labour Force data have been replaced with DEWR Small Area Labour Markets quarterly smoothed estimates (labour force, unemployment and the unemployment rate) and 2021 ABS Census data (largest employing industries), for a more geographically representative fit.



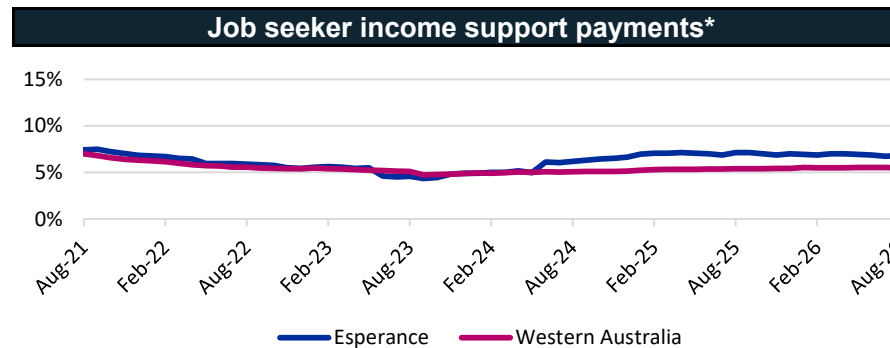
Source: DEWR, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March - 26 quarter



Source: ABS, Census of Population and Housing, 2021



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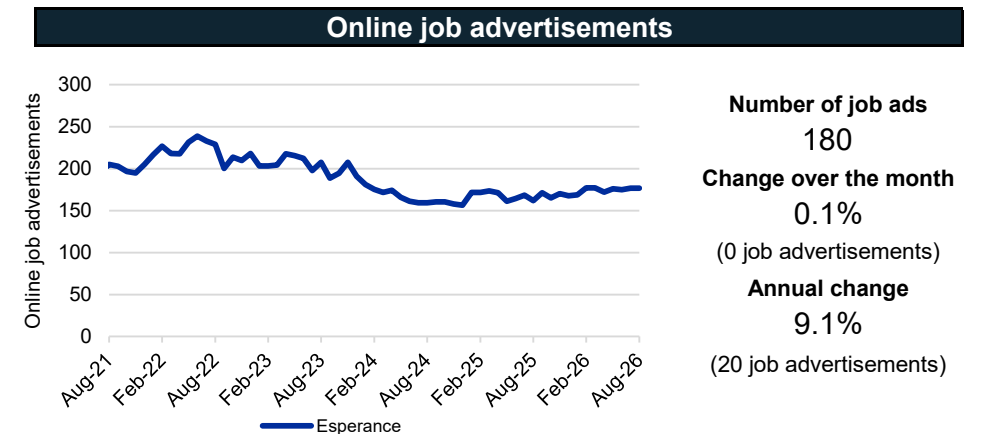
Change in JobSeeker income support payments		
	Esperance	Western Australia
Payments - August 2025	456	107,685
Payments - August 2026	435	112,320
Change from August 2025 to August 2026	-21	4,635
	-4.6%	4.3%

% 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
Esperance	435	6.8%
Western Australia	112,320	5.5%
Australia	1,033,140	5.7%

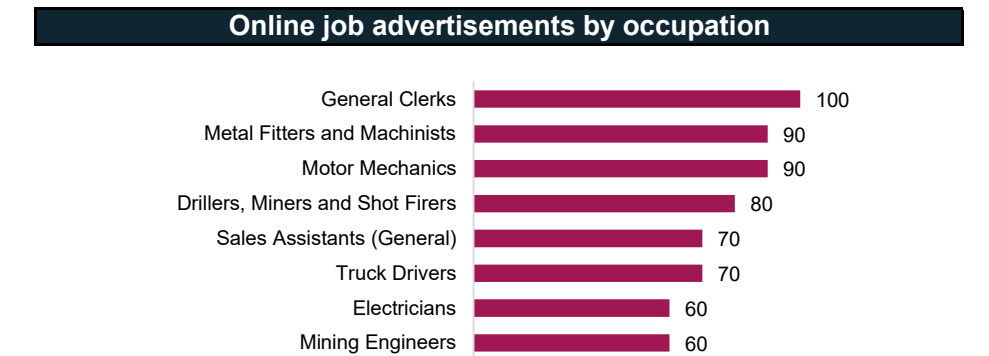
Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker income support payment recipients, August-26; ABS Labour Force Survey, MLF1, August-26

Unemployment rates (%) in surrounding LGAs		
Local Government Area (LGA)	Mar-26	Mar-25
Dundas*	4.9	4.5
Esperance	2.3	2.2
Lake Grace*	1.9	0.8
Ravensthorpe	1.6	1.5

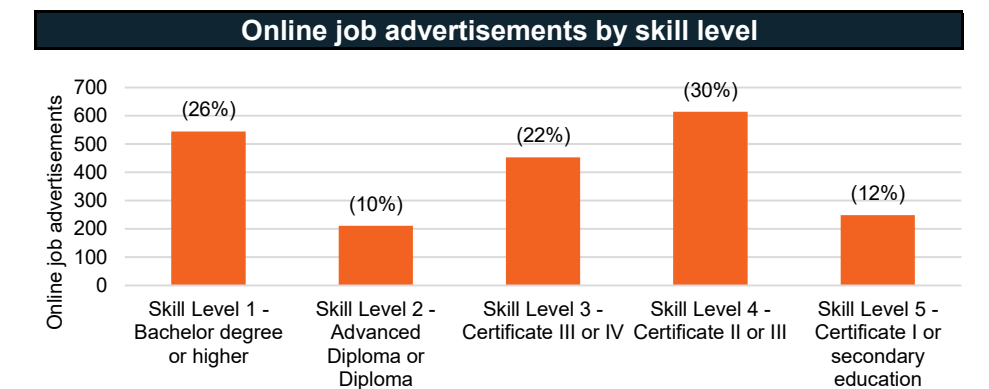
Note: * data should be used with caution due to the small size of the labour force. For more insights, access SALM data via DEWR Source: Department of Employment and Workplace Relations Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, March -26 quarter



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



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, original estimates (12MSUM) August-26



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Data are not readily available by Employment Region. Given the relevant SA4 can only provide a poor proxy for this Employment Region, apportioned SALM SA2 data have been used for select labour market indicators (labour force, unemployment and the unemployment rate) and ABS 2021 Census data for the largest employing industries, in lieu of ABS Labour Force data. For Employment Regions with multiple SA2s, aggregated SALM labour force and unemployment estimates have been used to derive unemployment rates for this Employment Region. The JobSeeker income support payment data are apportioned to Employment Regions using an SA2 based concordance. For enquiries related to this dashboard, contact RegionalWorkforceAssessment@jobsandskills.gov.au.