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Employment Region Industry profile

Mid North SA Employment Region

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Overview

In August 2024, there were around 53,000 people employed in the Mid North SA Employment Region. The 5 largest employing industries in the region were Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing, Health Care and Social Assistance, Construction, Manufacturing, and Education and Training. Together these 5 industries accounted for 58% of employment in the region.

Over the year to August 2024, employment in:
- Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing rose by 10.7% to stand at 8,200
- Health Care and Social Assistance fell by 7.2% to stand at 8,200
- Construction rose by 5.9% to stand at 5,300.

In Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing in the Mid North SA Employment Region, 74% of workers were employed full-time; 71% were male; and the median age of the workforce was 52.

Employment by industry, August 2024 and August 2023
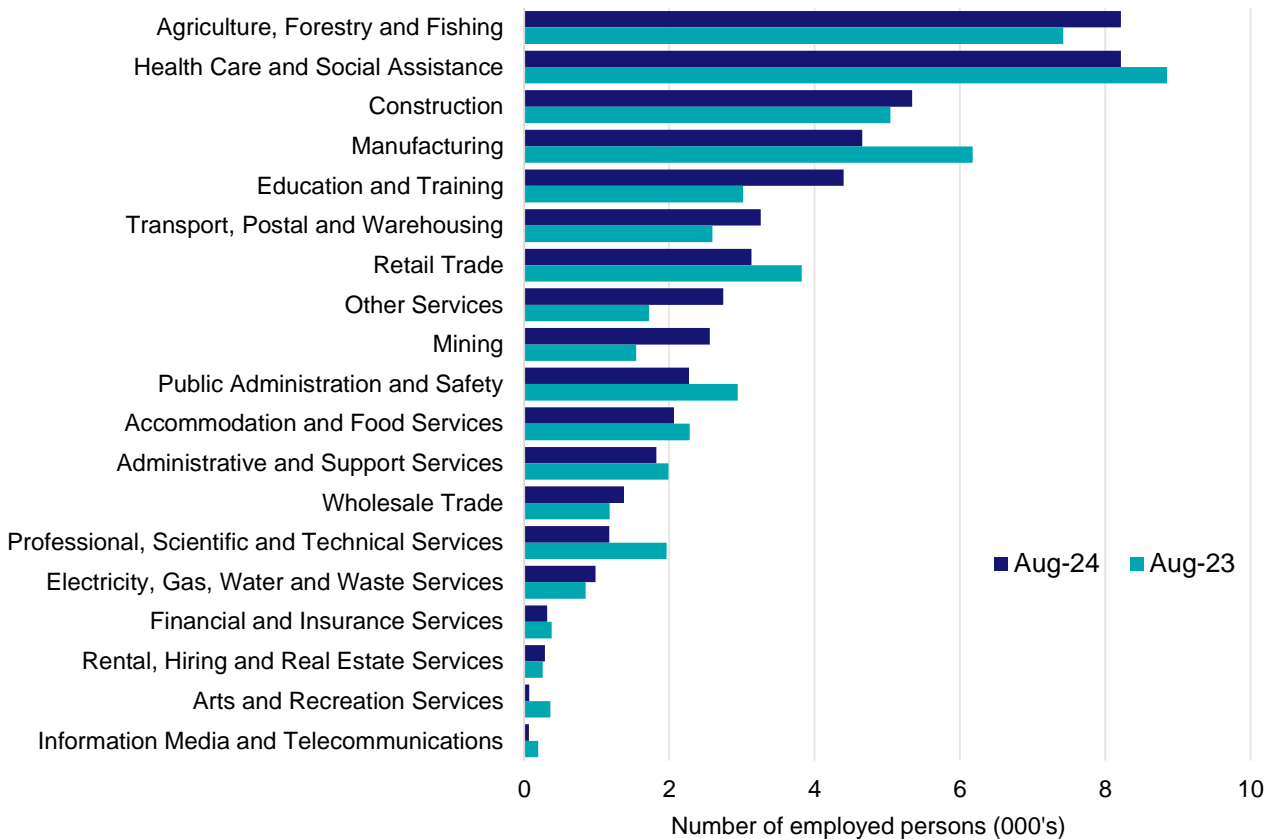
Notes: Data are the latest available. A high degree of caution should be exercised when interpreting data at the regional level, particulalrly in regards to percentage changes, given the volatility of the underlying data. For any enquiries related to the data in this report, please contact RegionalWorkforceAssessment@jobsandskills.gov.au

Five largest employing industries: key statistics

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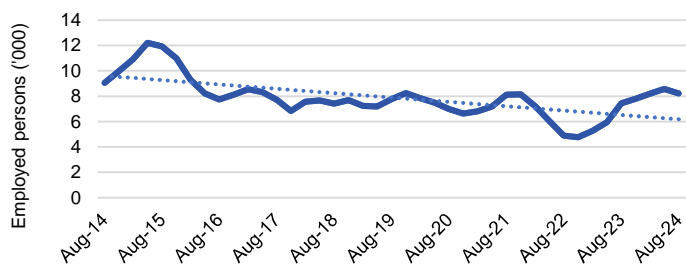
Number employed (Aug-24):	8,200
1 year employment change:	10.7%
5 year employment change:	5.8%
10 year employment change:	-9.1%
Youth share of employment:	8.4%
Mature age share of employment:	20.0%

Health Care and Social Assistance
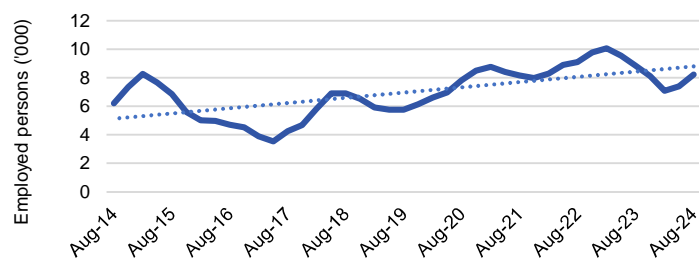
Number employed (Aug-24):	8,200
1 year employment change:	-7.2%
5 year employment change:	42.5%
10 year employment change:	32.4%
Youth share of employment:	9.0%
Mature age share of employment:	15.1%

Construction
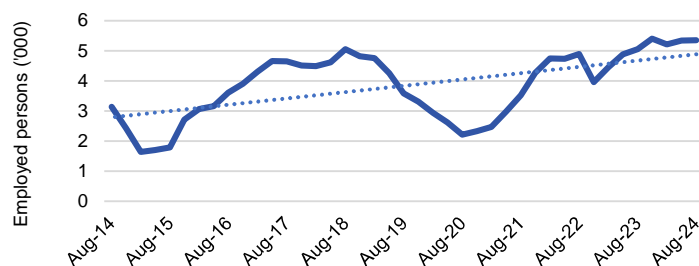
Number employed (Aug-24):	5,300
1 year employment change:	5.9%
5 year employment change:	49.4%
10 year employment change:	70.7%
Youth share of employment:	9.4%
Mature age share of employment:	6.2%

Manufacturing
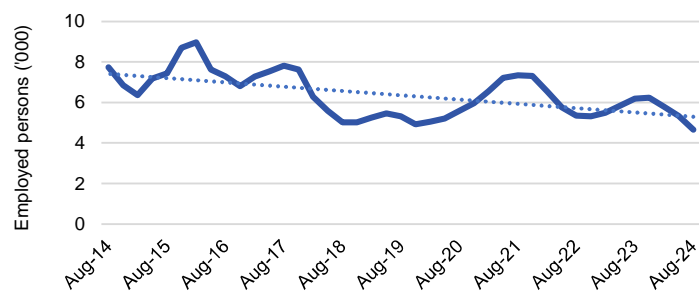
Number employed (Aug-24):	4,700
1 year employment change:	-24.6%
5 year employment change:	-12.5%
10 year employment change:	-39.8%
Youth share of employment:	11.6%
Mature age share of employment:	9.8%

Education and Training
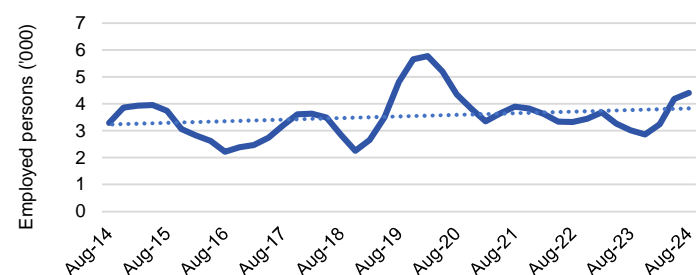
Number employed (Aug-24):	4,400
1 year employment change:	46.0%
5 year employment change:	-8.5%
10 year employment change:	33.9%
Youth share of employment:	4.8%
Mature age share of employment:	8.0%

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, August 2024, except youth and mature age data which are from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.

Notes: In each chart, the solid line is the level of employment and the dotted line is a simple linear trend line for the 10 year period. Given the volatility of the underlying data, employment estimates should be treated with a high degree of caution. Particular focus should be placed on the employment series over time to ascertain more reliable long-term growth trends.

Employment characteristics by Industry

Which industries are youth (aged 15-24) employed in?

Industry	Percentage
Retail Trade	19.4%
Accommodation and Food Services	18.7%
Manufacturing	11.6%
Construction	9.4%
Health Care and Social Assistance	9.0%
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	8.4%
Education and Training	4.8%
Other Services	4.0%
Administrative and Support Services	2.6%
Wholesale Trade	2.1%
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	2.0%
Arts and Recreation Services	1.7%
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	1.6%
Public Administration and Safety	1.5%
Mining	1.0%
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	0.8%
Financial and Insurance Services	0.6%
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	0.6%
Information Media and Telecommunications	0.2%

Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021.

Which industries are mature age persons (aged 55+) employed in?

Industry	Percentage
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	20.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	15.1%
Manufacturing	9.8%
Education and Training	8.0%
Retail Trade	7.1%
Construction	6.2%
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	5.8%
Public Administration and Safety	4.8%
Accommodation and Food Services	4.5%
Administrative and Support Services	4.3%
Other Services	3.4%
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	2.7%
Wholesale Trade	2.3%
Mining	1.7%
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.2%
Financial and Insurance Services	1.1%
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	0.8%
Arts and Recreation Services	0.6%
Information Media and Telecommunications	0.5%

Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021. Note: SA2 level Census data have been aggregated to the Employment Region level.

Gender share by industry

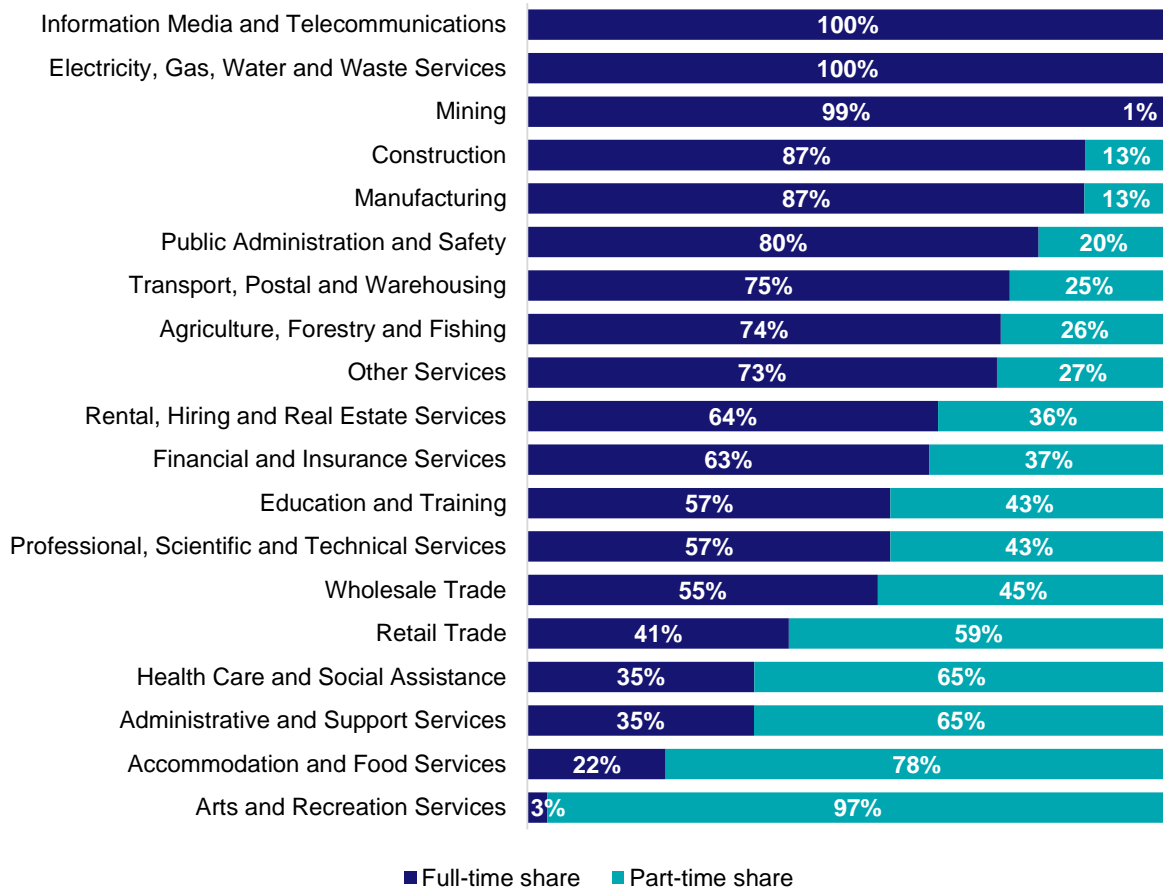| Industry	Female	Male
Health Care and Social Assistance	84%	16%
Education and Training	83%	17%
Financial and Insurance Services	80%	20%
Accommodation and Food Services	80%	20%
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	79%	21%
Retail Trade	67%	33%
Administrative and Support Services	58%	42%
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	57%	43%
Public Administration and Safety	40%	60%
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	29%	71%
Manufacturing	28%	72%
Other Services	25%	75%
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	21%	79%
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	20%	80%
Construction	14%	86%
Wholesale Trade	14%	86%
Mining	12%	88%
Arts and Recreation Services	2%	98%
Information Media and Telecommunications		100%

■ Female ■ Male

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, August 2024.

Full-time and part-time employment status by industry

Industry	Full-time share	Part-time share
Information Media and Telecommunications	100%	
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	100%	
Mining	99%	1%
Construction	87%	13%
Manufacturing	87%	13%
Public Administration and Safety	80%	20%
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	75%	25%
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	74%	26%
Other Services	73%	27%
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	64%	36%
Financial and Insurance Services	63%	37%
Education and Training	57%	43%
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	57%	43%
Wholesale Trade	55%	45%
Retail Trade	41%	59%
Health Care and Social Assistance	35%	65%
Administrative and Support Services	35%	65%
Accommodation and Food Services	22%	78%
Arts and Recreation Services	3%	97%

■ Full-time share ■ Part-time share

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, August 2024.

Appendix

Employment by industry, Mid North SA, August 2024

Industry (in order of size)	Share of employment in the region Aug-24 (%)	Employed ('000)			Full-time share %	Part-time share %	Median age *
		Aug-24	Aug-23	Aug-19			
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	15.5	8.2	7.4	7.8	73.9	26.1	52
Health Care and Social Assistance	15.5	8.2	8.9	5.8	35.5	64.5	48
Construction	10.1	5.3	5.0	3.6	87.1	12.9	40
Manufacturing	8.8	4.7	6.2	5.3	86.9	13.1	44
Education and Training	8.3	4.4	3.0	4.8	56.7	43.3	46
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	6.2	3.3	2.6	2.1	75.3	24.7	51
Retail Trade	5.9	3.1	3.8	5.0	40.9	59.1	37
Other Services	5.2	2.7	1.7	2.3	73.3	26.7	43
Mining	4.8	2.6	1.5	1.9	99.4	0.6	43
Public Administration and Safety	4.3	2.3	2.9	2.1	79.8	20.2	49
Accommodation and Food Services	3.9	2.1	2.3	3.3	21.6	78.4	32
Administrative and Support Services	3.4	1.8	2.0	1.4	35.4	64.6	48
Wholesale Trade	2.6	1.4	1.2	1.3	54.7	45.3	49
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	2.2	1.2	2.0	1.8	56.7	43.3	44
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	1.9	1.0	0.8	0.8	99.9	0.1	42
Financial and Insurance Services	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.8	62.7	37.3	43
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.6	64.1	35.9	51
Arts and Recreation Services	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.5	3.1	96.9	28
Information Media and Telecommunications	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	100.0	0.0	38
All industries	**100.0**	**53.0**	**52.6**	**51.3**	**64.6**	**35.4**	**45**

Source: ABS Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, August 2024. *Median age is from the ABS Census of Population and Housing, 2021. Median age has been derived using aggregated SA2s for the Employment Region.

Note: Small cells should be viewed with caution due to small sample sizes and regional volatility.