

Labour Market Dashboard Western Australia

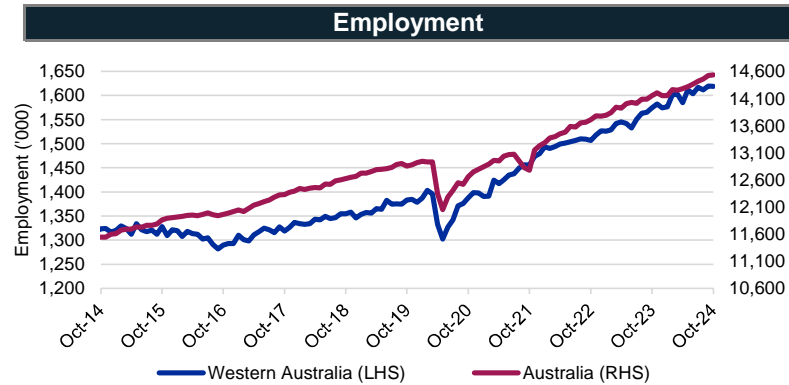
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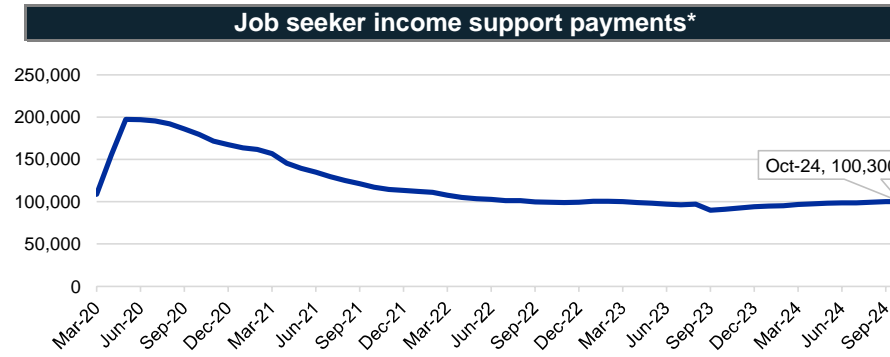
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Australia	14,537.5	14,150.4	2.7	625.8	559.3	11.9	4.1	3.8	67.1	66.8	9.2	9.3

Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted data, October-24

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



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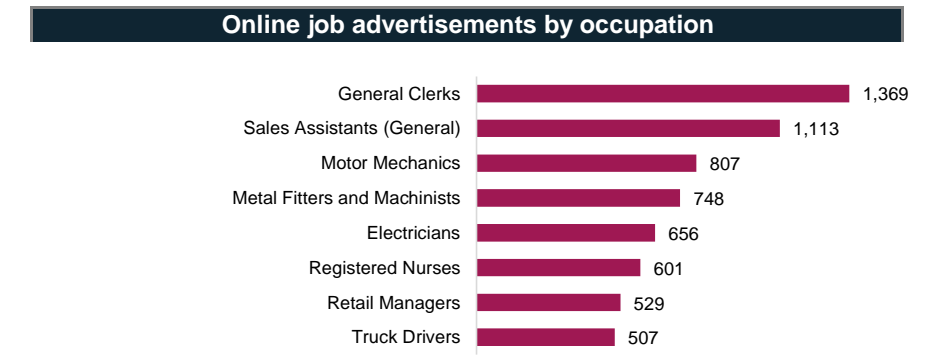


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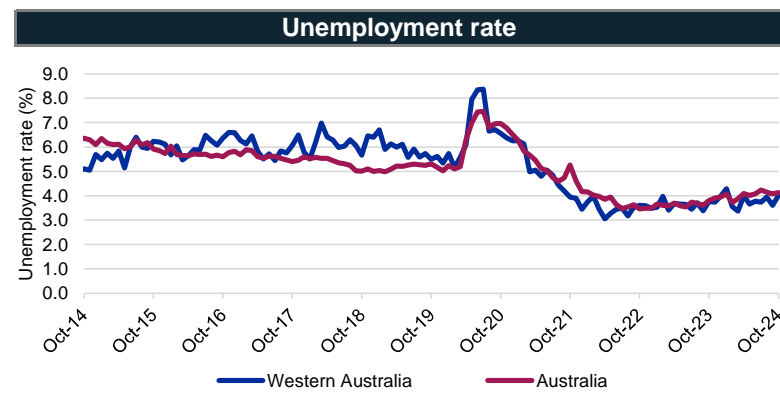


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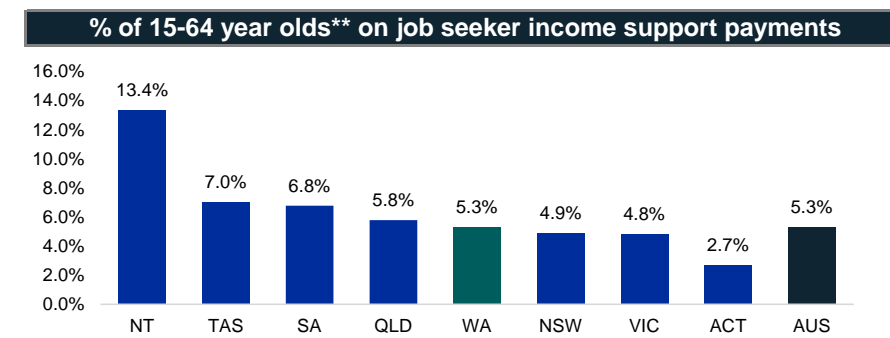
	Change in job seeker income support payments	
	Western Australia	Australia
Payments - October 2023	91,040	833,965
Payments - October 2024	100,300	922,225
Change (Oct 2023 to Oct 2024)	↑ 9,260	↑ 88,260
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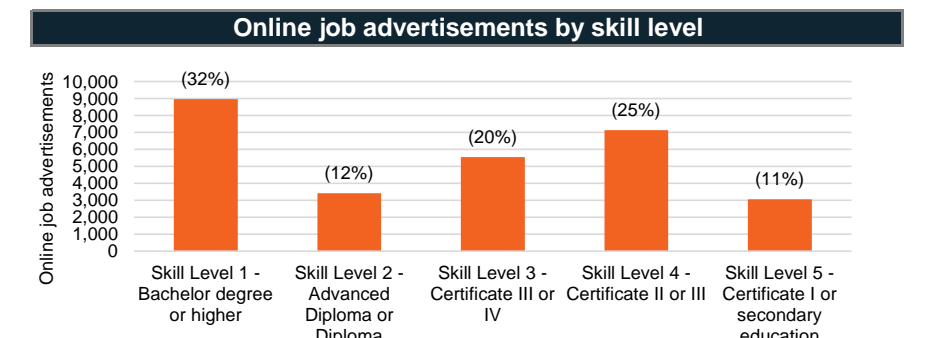
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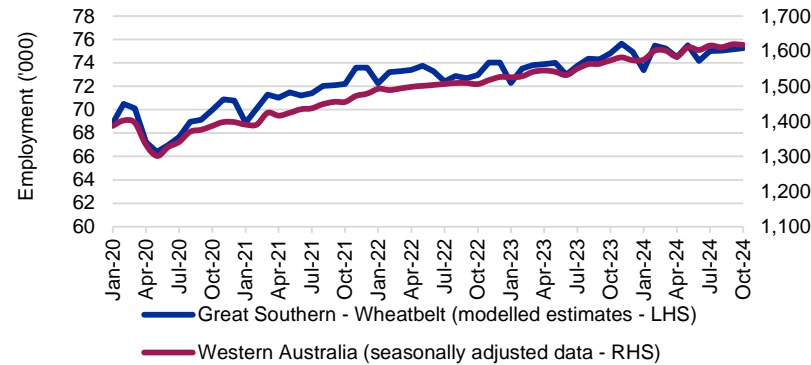
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Great Southern - Wheatbelt	75.3	74.8	0.6	2.3	2.1	7.6	2.9	2.7	63.6	64.0	9.5	2.5
Western Australia	1,618.4	1,574.4	2.8	67.8	61.5	10.3	4.0	3.8	68.8	69.0	9.8	8.5
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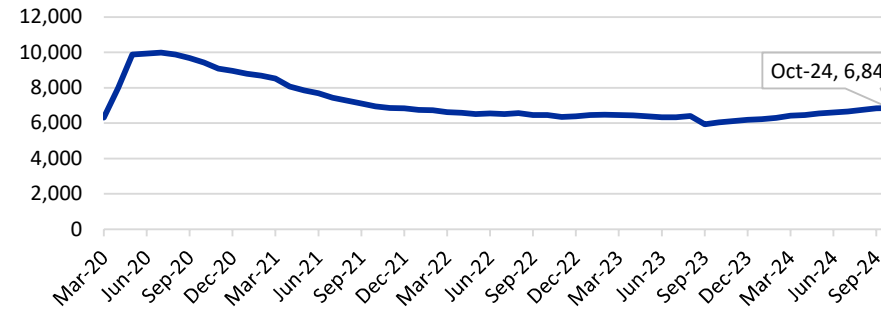
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Employment



Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, MRM1 (modelled estimates), October-24

Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	Great Southern - Wheatbelt	Western Australia
Payments - Oct 2023	6,040	91,040
Payments - Oct 2024	6,845	100,300
Change from Oct 2023 to Oct 2024	↑ 805	↑ 9,260
	↑ 13.3%	↑ 10.2%

% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support payments**

	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
Great Southern - Wheatbelt	6,845	8.1%
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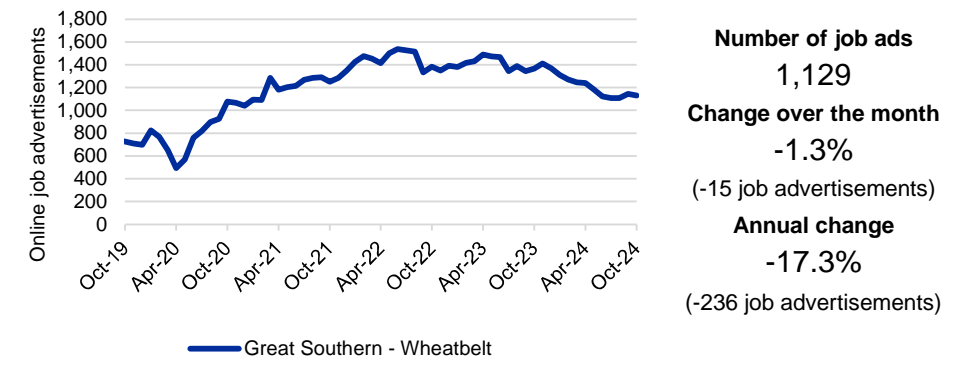
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LGA's with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-24	Jun-23
Northam	6.2	3.8
Tammin*	6.2	4.0
Kellerberrin*	5.9	4.0
Cunderdin*	5.8	4.0
Quairading*	5.8	4.1

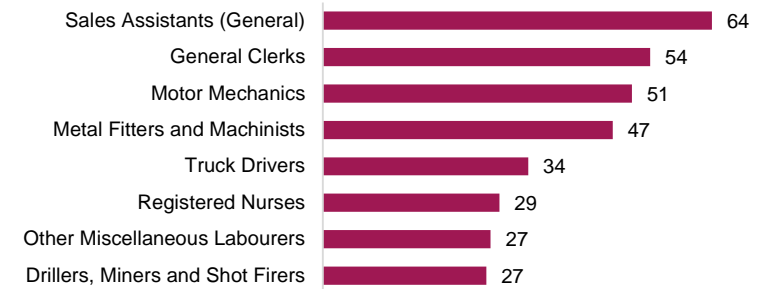
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Online job advertisements



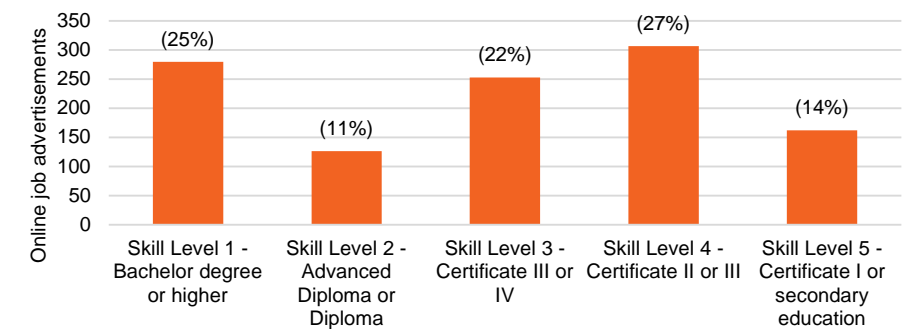
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Online job advertisements by occupation



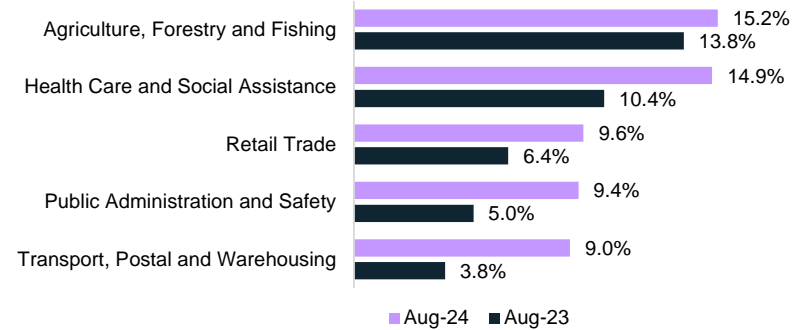
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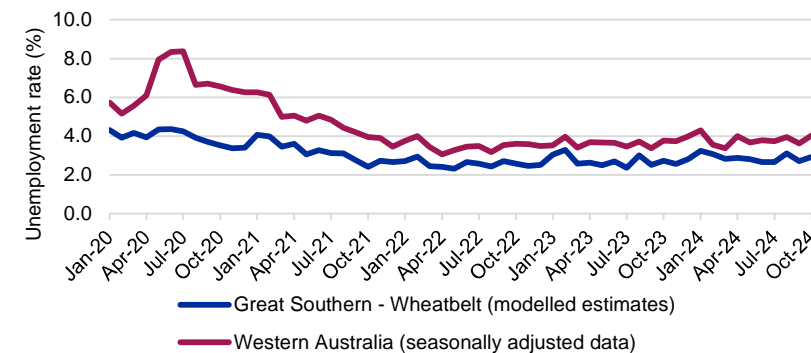
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Unemployment rate



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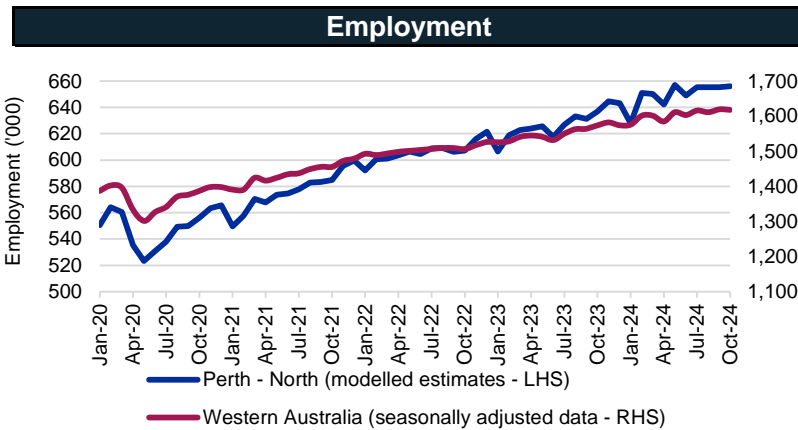
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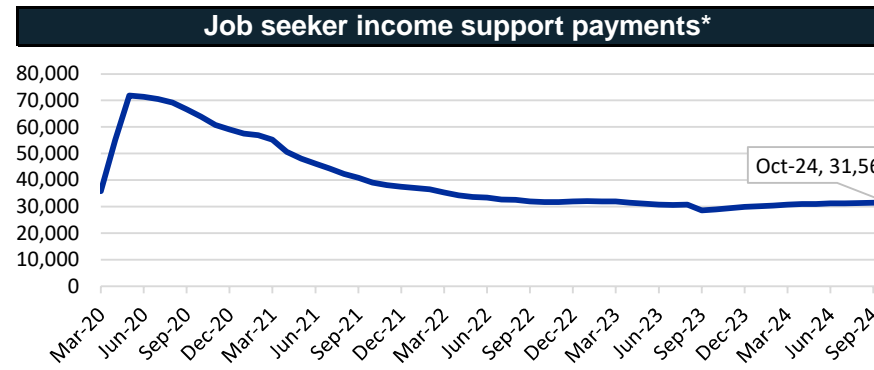
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Perth - North	656.1	636.8	3.0	24.3	22.0	10.7	3.6	3.3	70.1	70.4	10.8	8.7
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Change in job seeker income support payments

	Perth - North	Western Australia
Payments - Oct 2023	28,890	91,040
Payments - Oct 2024	31,560	100,300
Change from Oct 2023 to Oct 2024	↑ 2,670	↑ 9,260
	↑ 9.2%	↑ 10.2%

% of 15-64 year olds** on job seeker income support payments

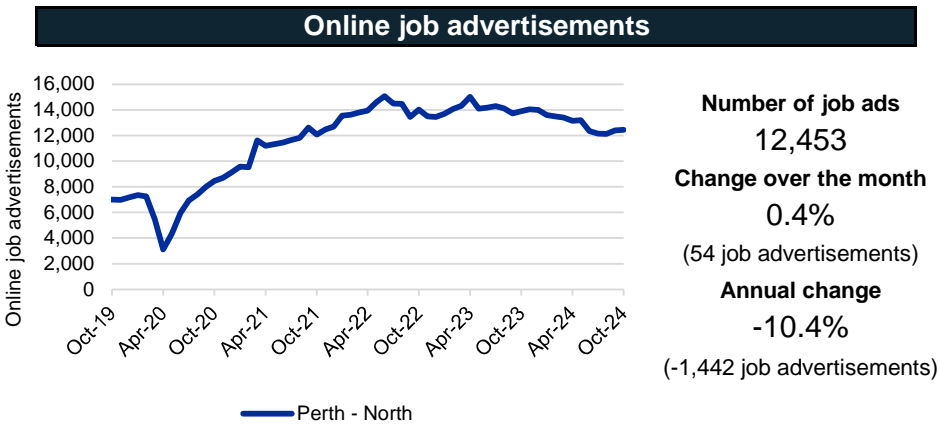
	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
Perth - North	31,560	4.2%
Western Australia	100,300	5.3%
Australia	922,225	5.3%

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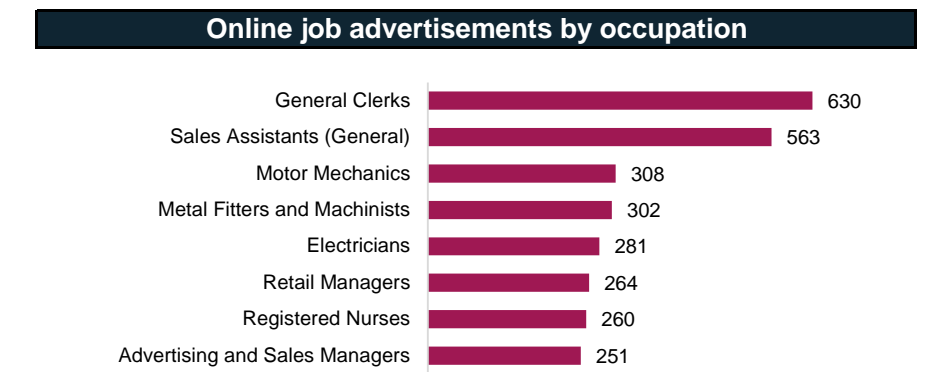
LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-24	Jun-23
Wanneroo	5.1	4.1
Perth	4.5	4.3
Swan	4.0	3.7
Stirling	3.8	3.2
Bassendean	3.7	3.5

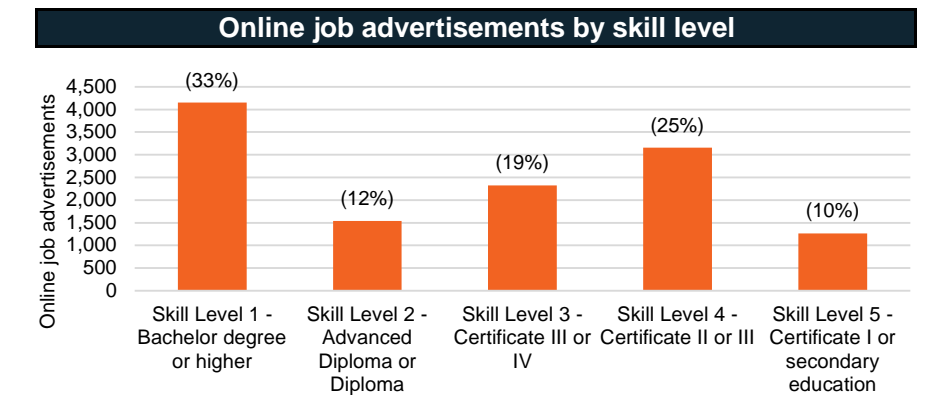
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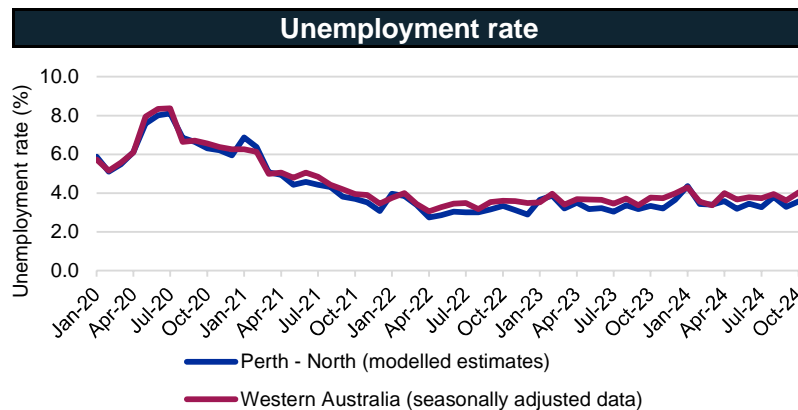
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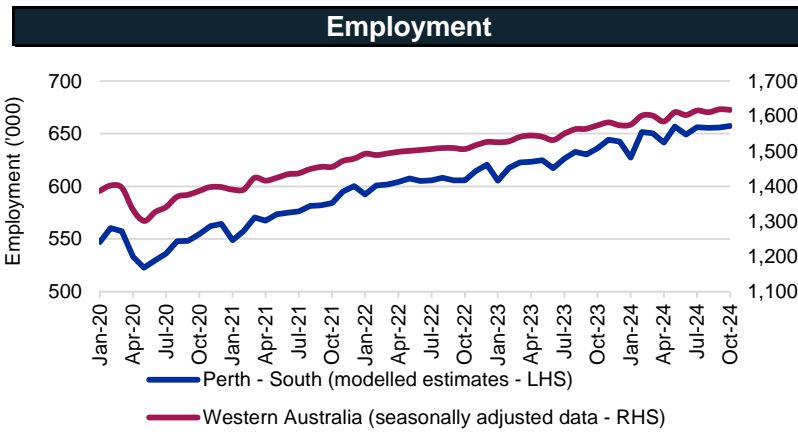
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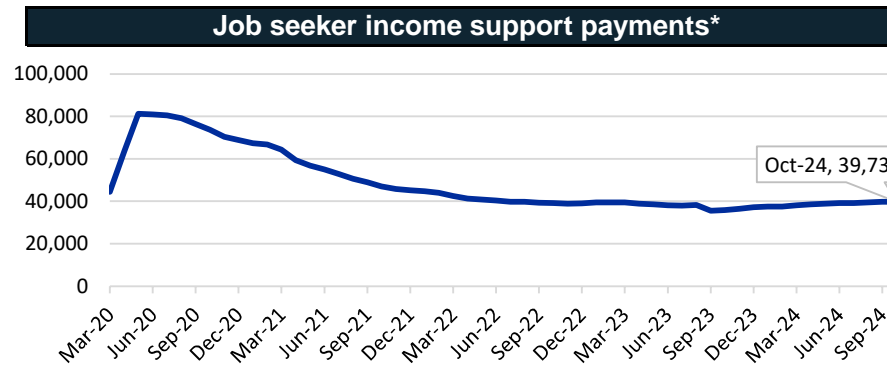
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Perth - South	657.6	636.3	3.4	30.6	27.4	11.6	4.5	4.1	68.3	68.4	9.4	8.6
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Change in job seeker income support payments

	Perth - South	Western Australia
Payments - Oct 2023	35,900	91,040
Payments - Oct 2024	39,730	100,300
Change from Oct 2023 to Oct 2024	↑ 3,830 (10.7%)	↑ 9,260 (10.2%)

% of 15-64 year olds** on job seeker income support payments

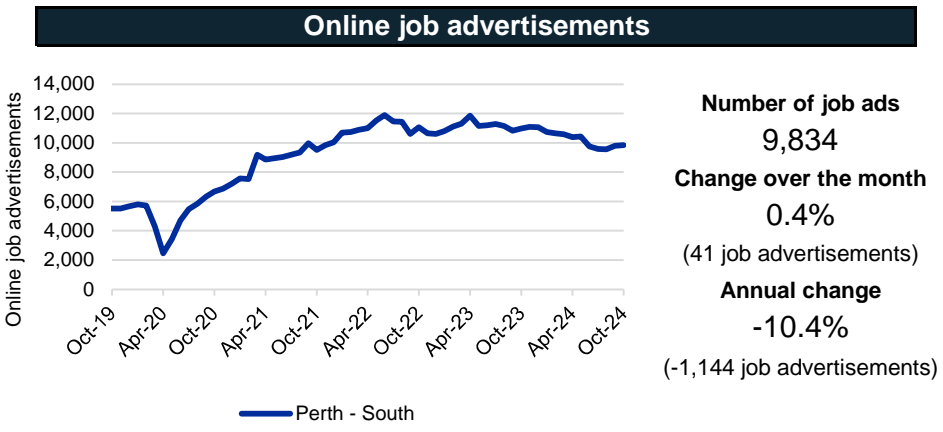
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Perth - South	39,730	5.2%
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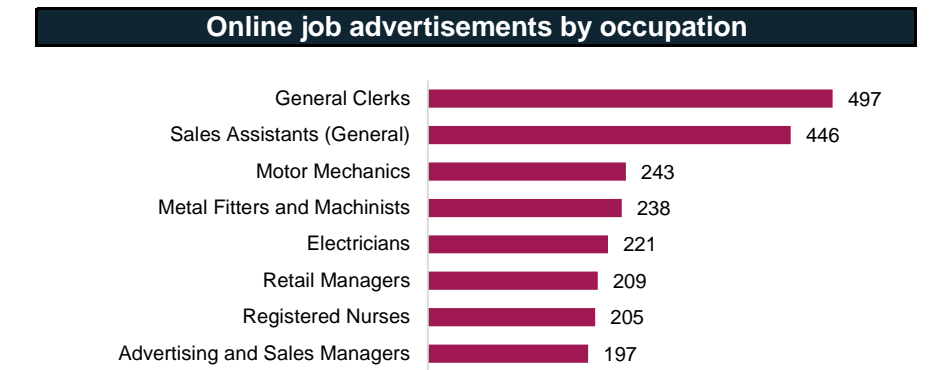
LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-24	Jun-23
Waroona	6.5	6.8
Armadale	6.2	6.1
Gosnells	5.9	5.9
Kwinana	5.6	6.3
Belmont	4.9	5.0

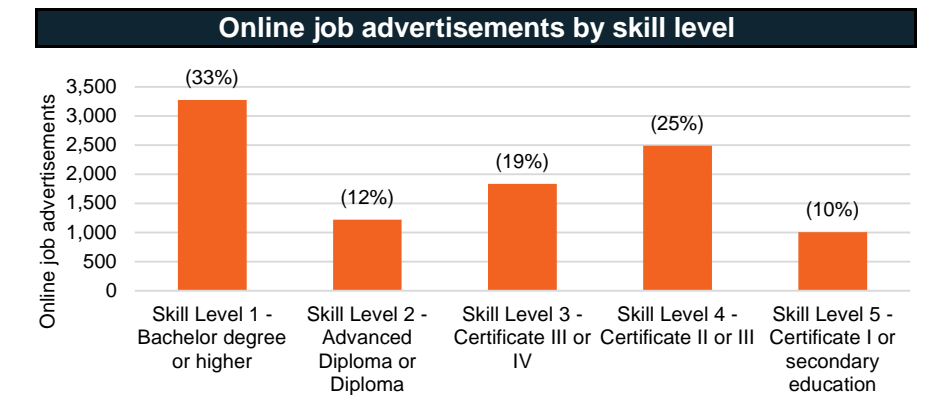
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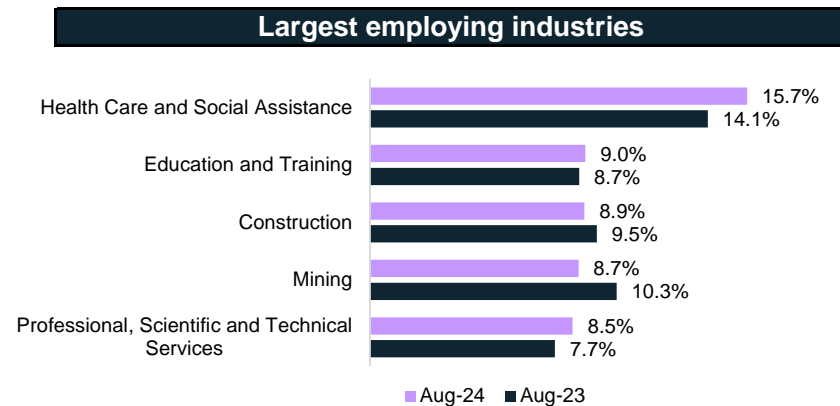
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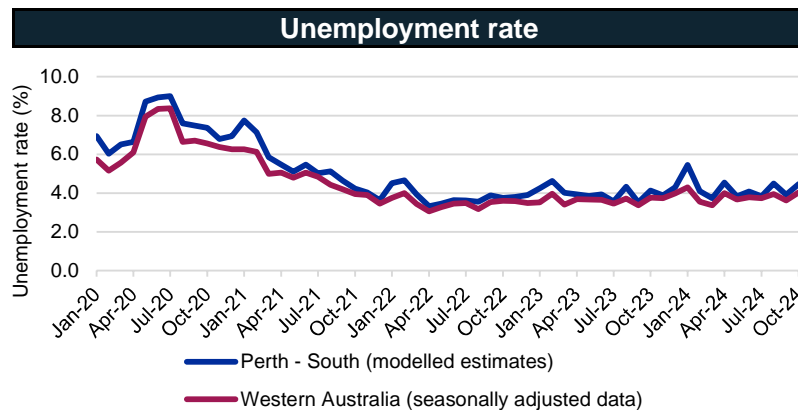
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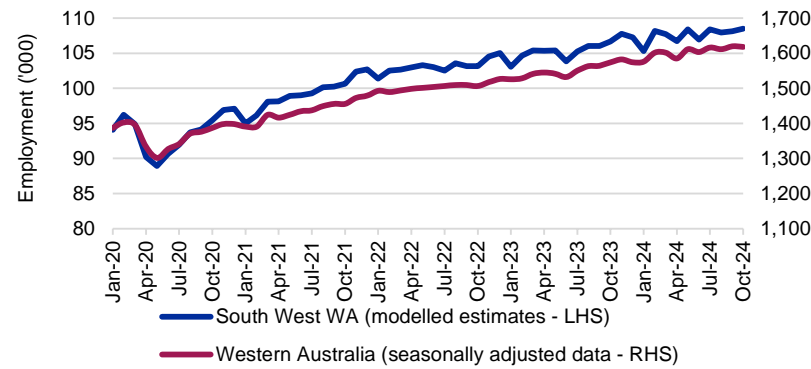
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Western Australia	1,618.4	1,574.4	2.8	67.8	61.5	10.3	4.0	3.8	68.8	69.0	9.8	8.5
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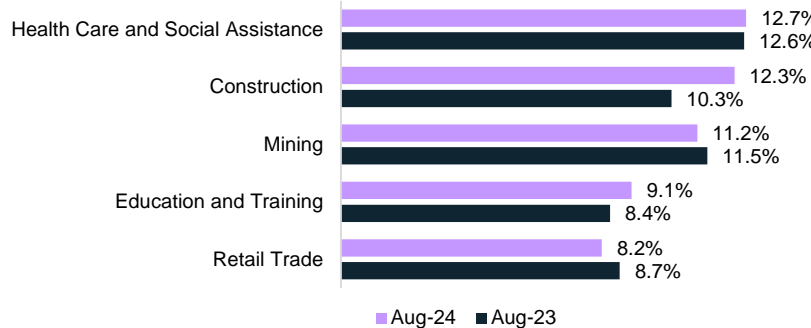
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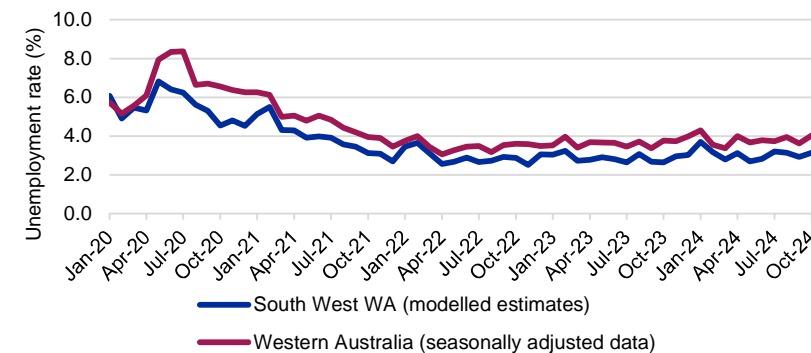
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Largest employing industries



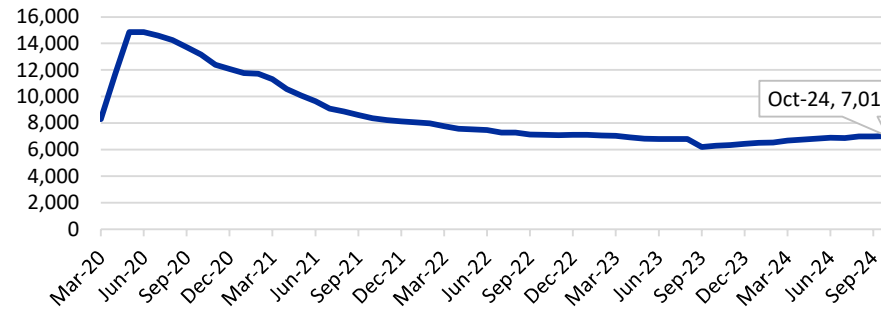
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Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	South West WA	Western Australia
Payments - Oct 2023	6,280	91,040
Payments - Oct 2024	7,015	100,300
Change from Oct 2023 to Oct 2024	↑ 735	↑ 9,260
	↑ 11.7%	↑ 10.2%

% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support payments**

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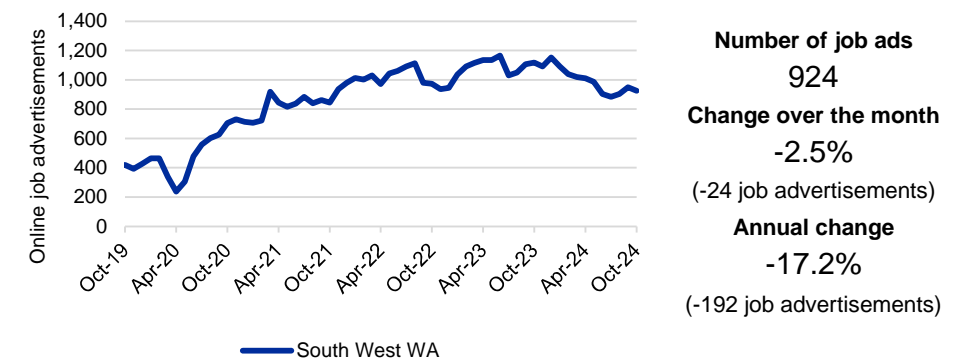
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Jun-24	Jun-23
Collie	6.9	7.6
Bunbury	5.6	6.0
Manjimup	3.5	3.6
Donnybrook-Balingup	3.3	3.5
Bridgetown-Greenbushes	3.1	3.2

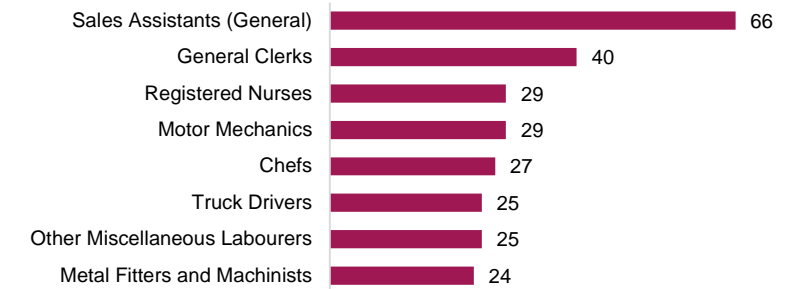
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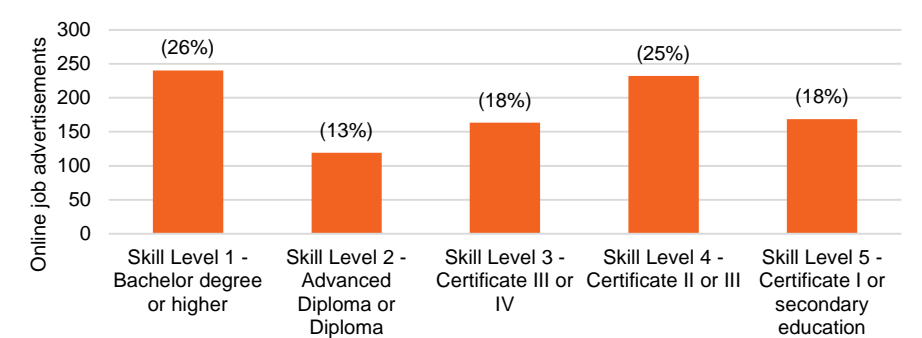
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