

Labour Market Dashboard New South Wales

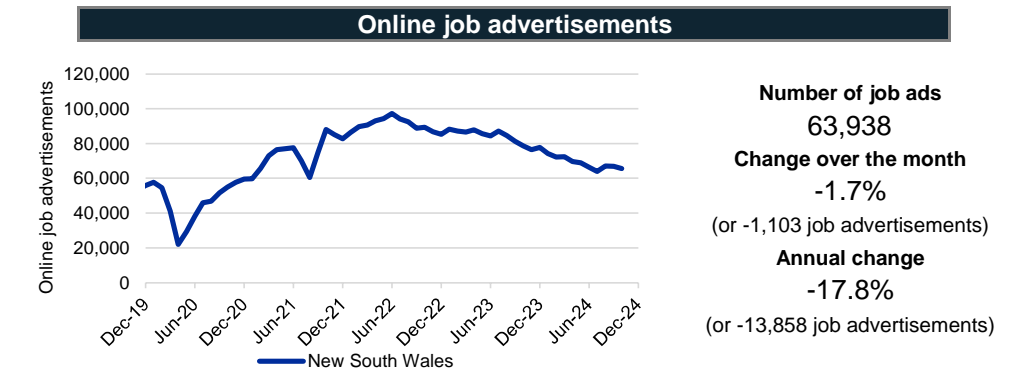
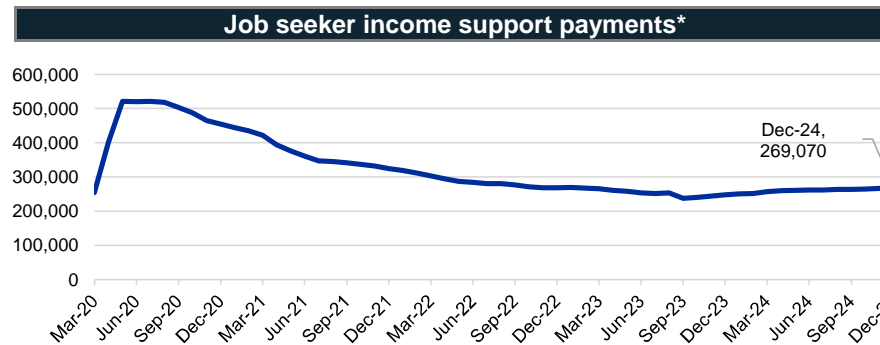
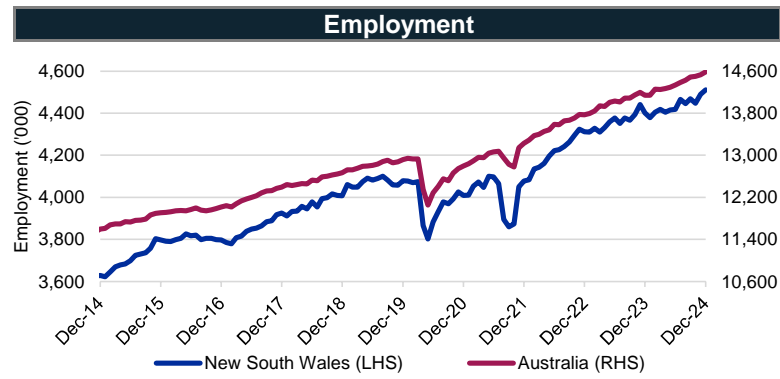
Data current as at 23 January 2025

Refer to source notes for data reference periods

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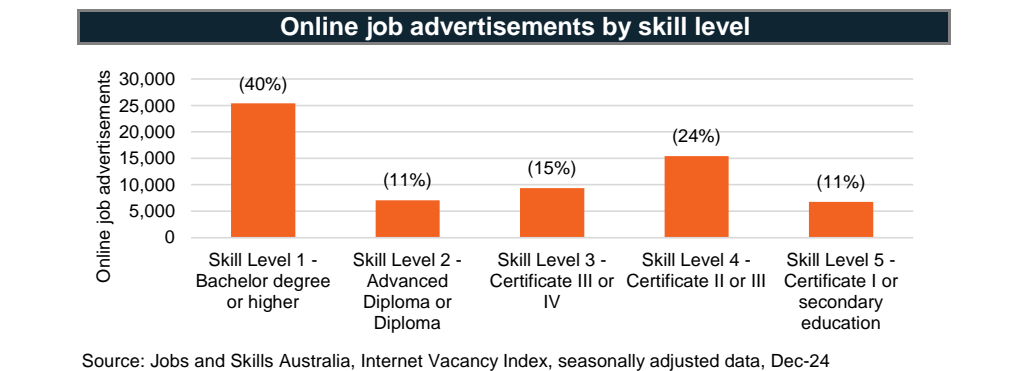
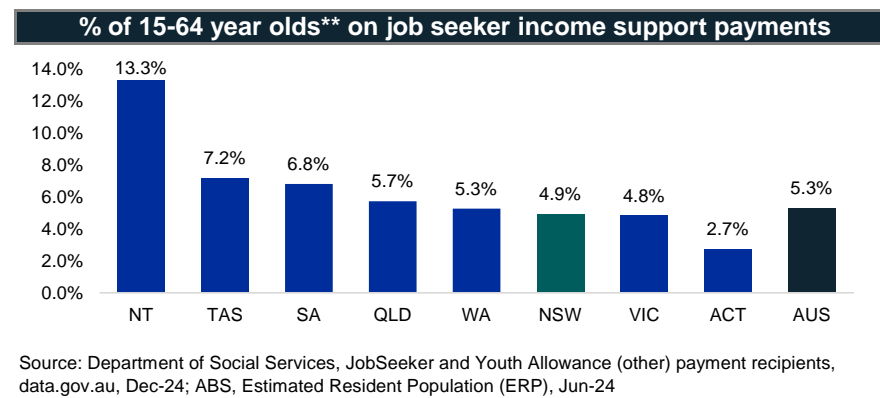
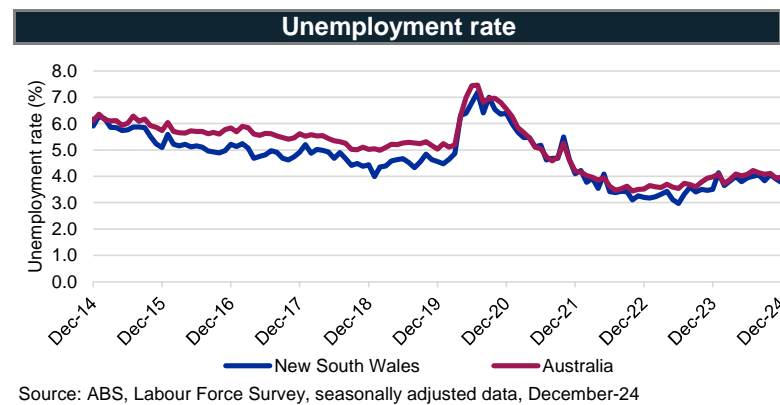
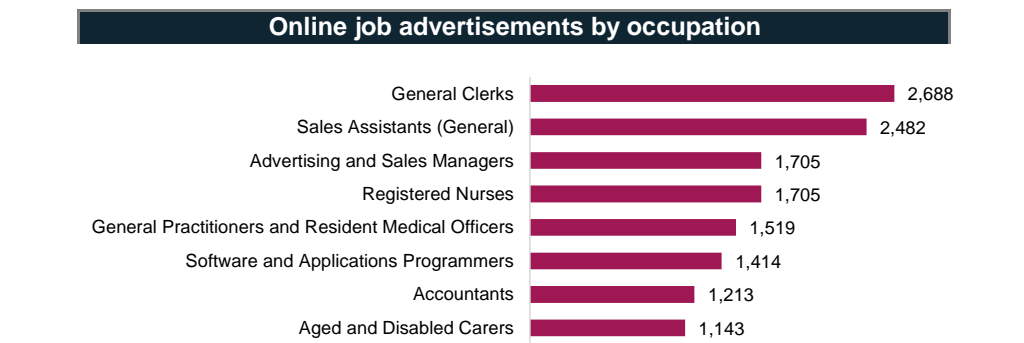
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted data, December-24

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.



Change in job seeker income support payments

	New South Wales	Australia
Payments - December 2023	247,615	861,455
Payments - December 2024	269,070	939,160
Change (Dec 2023 to Dec 2024)	↑ 21,455	↑ 77,705
Change % (Dec 2023 to Dec 2024)	↑ 8.7%	↑ 9.0%

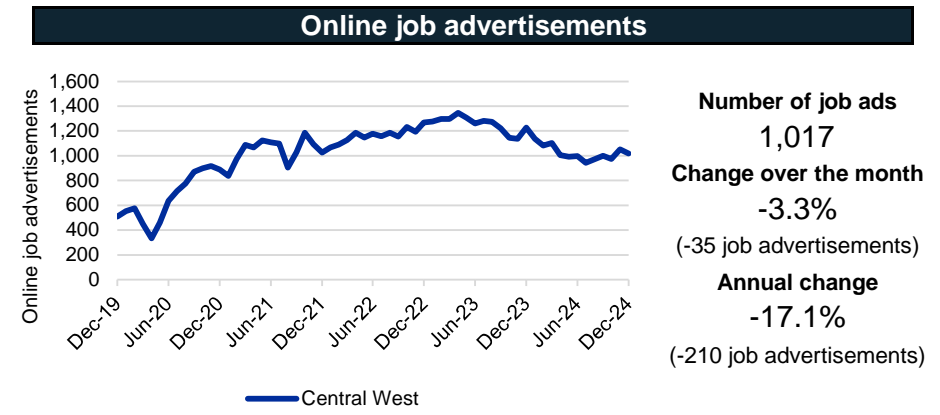
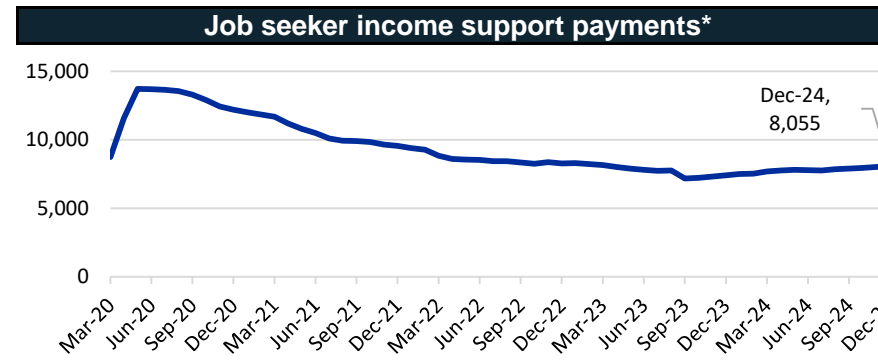
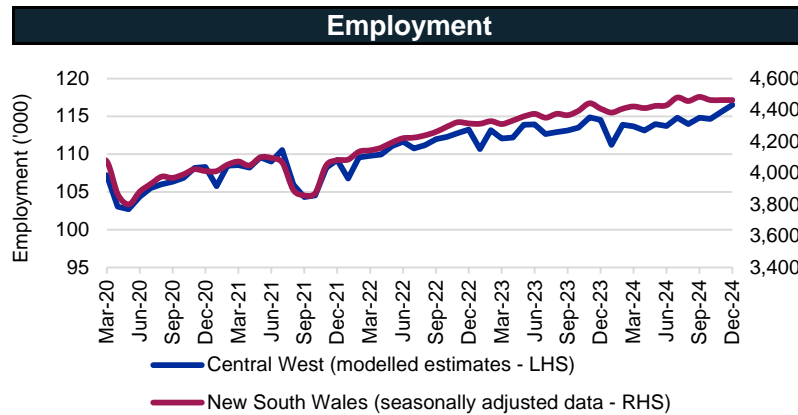


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Central West	116.5	114.5	1.7	4.1	3.8	5.9	3.4	3.2	69.3	68.2	5.5	6.0
New South Wales	4,510.7	4,400.8	2.5	175.8	159.9	9.9	3.8	3.5	66.4	66.0	8.8	7.1
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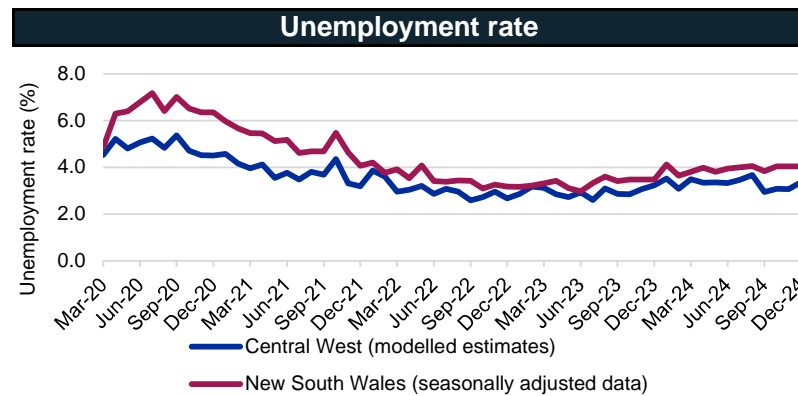
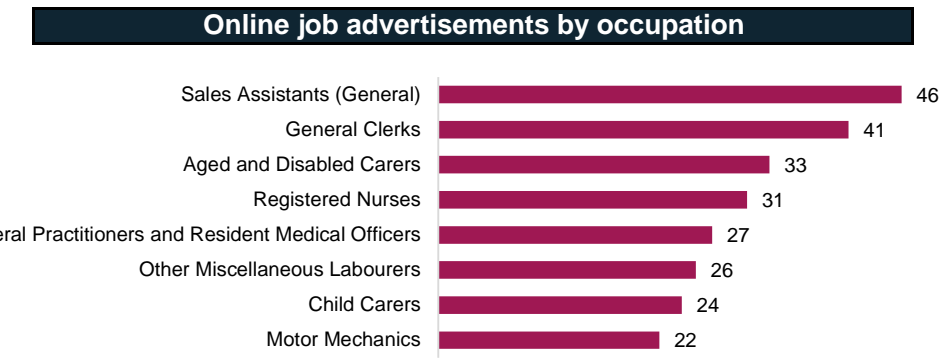
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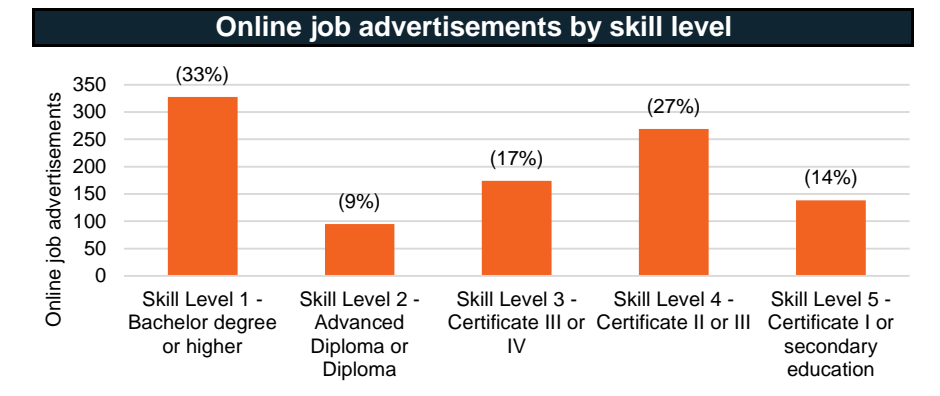
	Central West	New South Wales
Payments - Dec 2023	7,410	247,615
Payments - Dec 2024	8,055	269,070
Change from Dec 2023 to Dec 2024	↑ 645	↑ 21,455
	↑ 8.7%	↑ 8.7%



% 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
Central West	8,055	6.3%
New South Wales	269,070	4.9%
Australia	939,160	5.3%

Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker and Youth Allowance (other) payment recipients, Dec-24; ABS, Estimated Resident Population, Jun-23



LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24	Sep-23
Cowra	3.3	2.4
Lachlan	3.1	2.2
Warrumbungle	2.8	3.0
Lithgow	2.7	1.9
Parkes	2.4	1.8

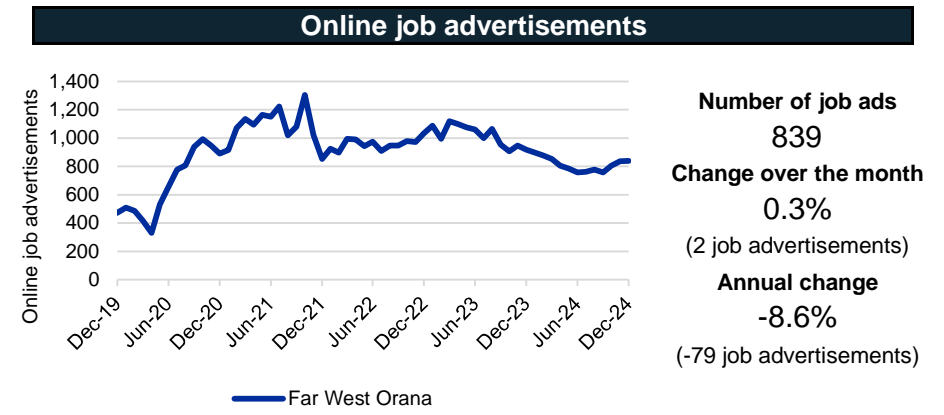
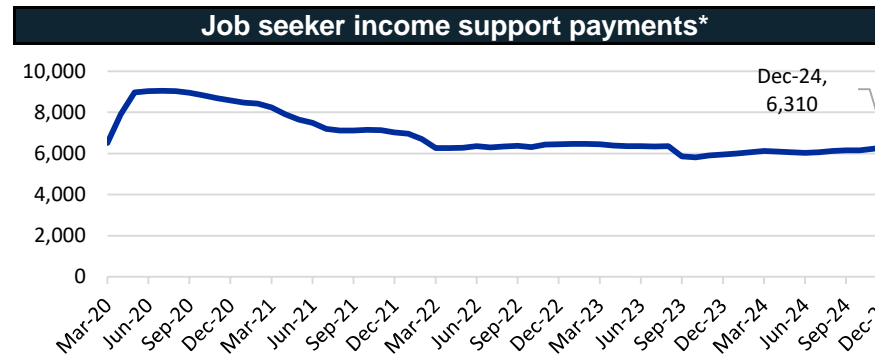
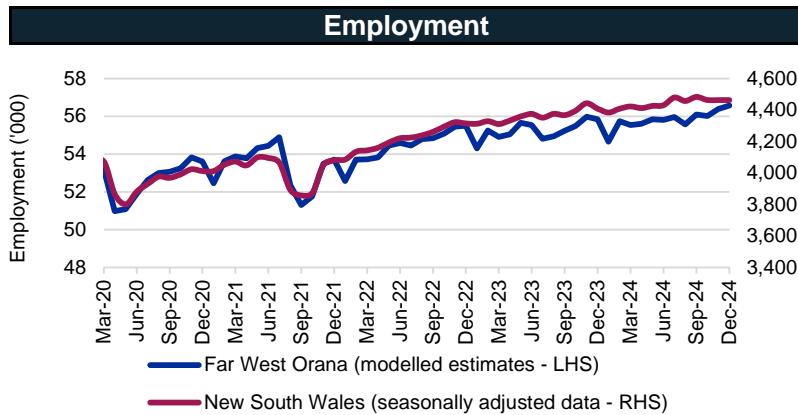
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Far West Orana	56.6	55.8	1.3	2.2	2.2	2.6	3.8	3.8	62.2	61.5	8.5	7.6
New South Wales	4,510.7	4,400.8	2.5	175.8	159.9	9.9	3.8	3.5	66.4	66.0	8.8	7.1
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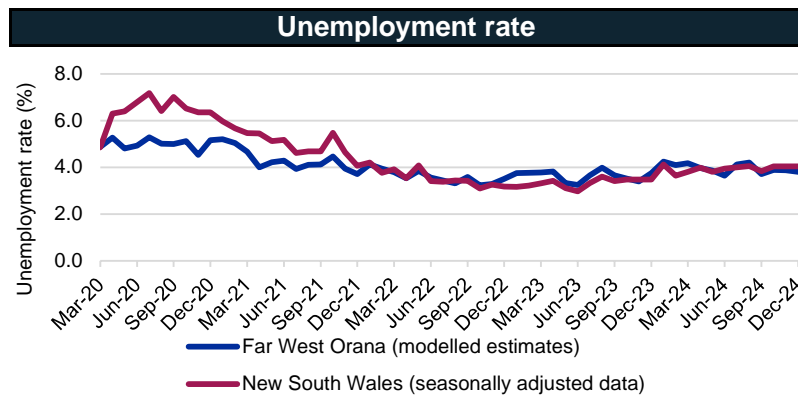
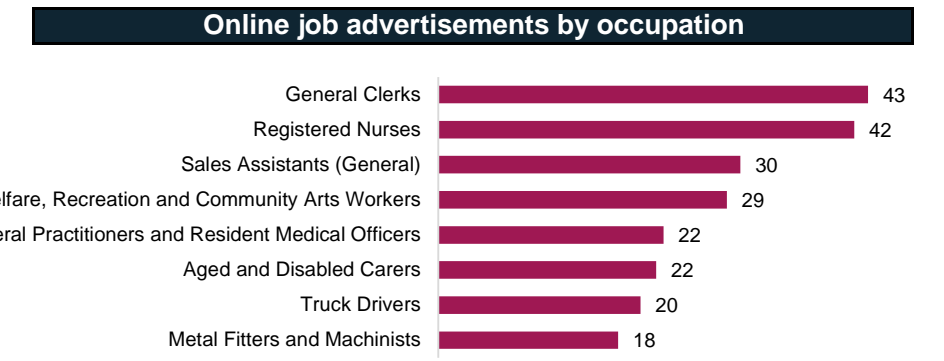
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Change in job seeker income support payments

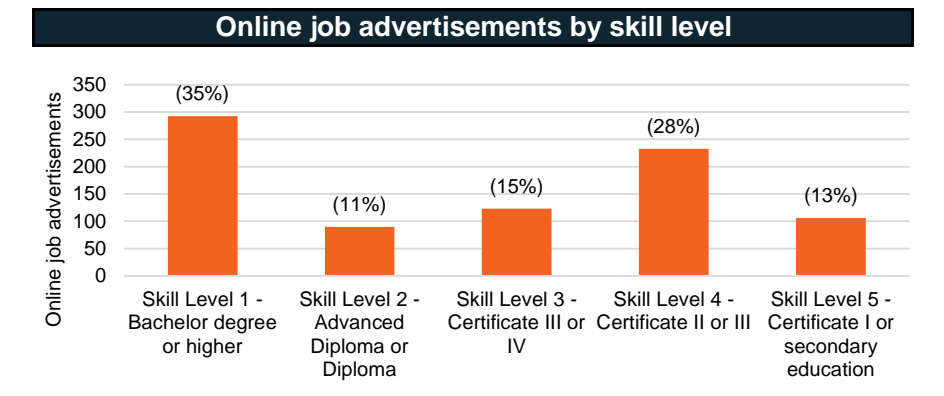
	Far West Orana	New South Wales
Payments - Dec 2023	5,945	247,615
Payments - Dec 2024	6,310	269,070
Change from Dec 2023 to Dec 2024	↑ 365	↑ 21,455
	↑ 6.1%	↑ 8.7%



% 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
Far West Orana	6,310	9.8%
New South Wales	269,070	4.9%
Australia	939,160	5.3%

Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker and Youth Allowance (other) payment recipients, Dec-24; ABS, Estimated Resident Population, Jun-23



LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24 (%)	Sep-23 (%)
Walgett	7.7	8.4
Coonamble	4.2	4.9
Broken Hill	3.6	4.0
Gilgandra	3.1	3.2
Warren	2.9	3.6

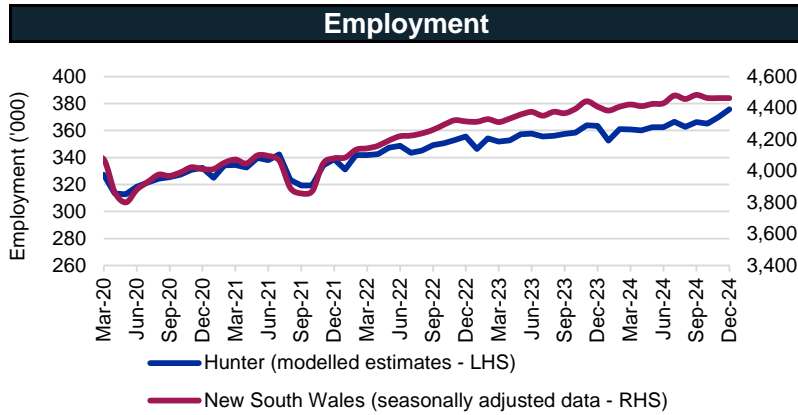
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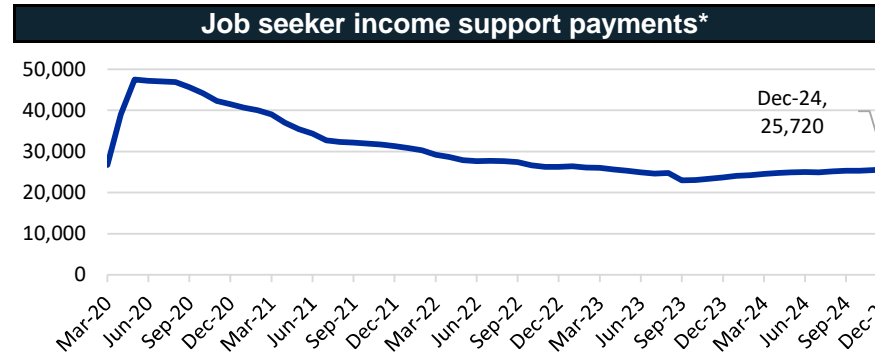
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Hunter	375.8	363.3	3.4	12.9	12.5	3.2	3.3	3.3	66.1	64.8	5.8	6.9
New South Wales	4,510.7	4,400.8	2.5	175.8	159.9	9.9	3.8	3.5	66.4	66.0	8.8	7.1
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Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, MRM1 (modelled estimates), December-24



Change in job seeker income support payments

	Hunter	New South Wales
Payments - Dec 2023	23,710	247,615
Payments - Dec 2024	25,720	269,070
Change from Dec 2023 to Dec 2024	↑ 2,010	↑ 21,455
	↑ 8.5%	↑ 8.7%

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

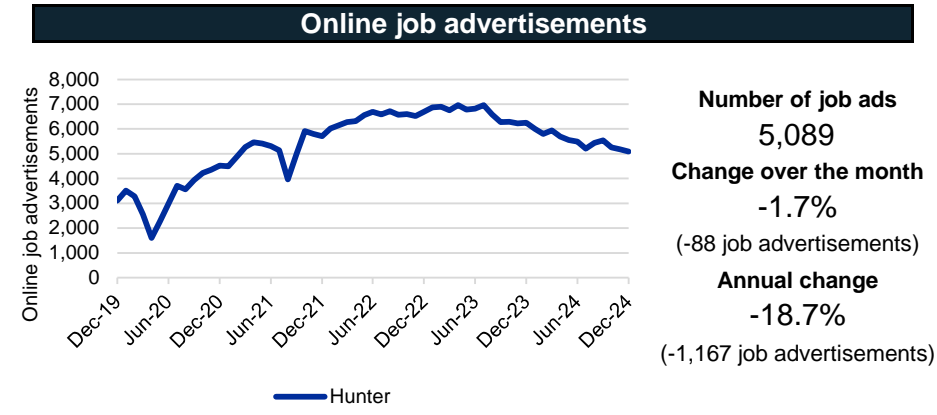
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Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker and Youth Allowance (other) payment recipients, Dec-24; ABS, Estimated Resident Population, Jun-23

LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24	Sep-23
Muswellbrook	6.7	4.6
Cessnock	5.3	4.2
Port Stephens	4.7	3.6
Maitland	3.4	2.7
Newcastle	3.1	3.1

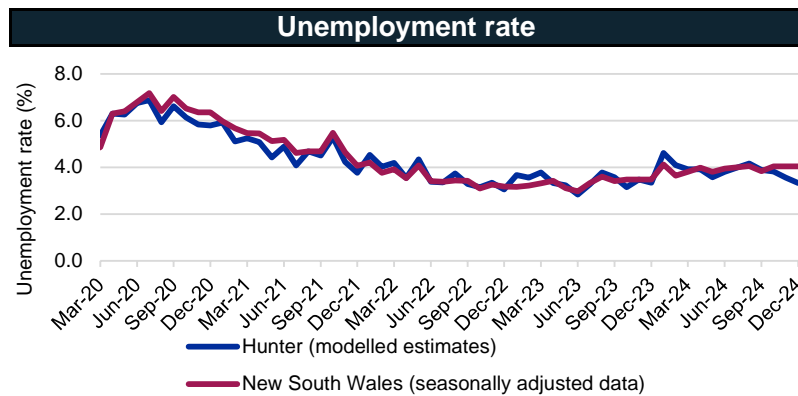
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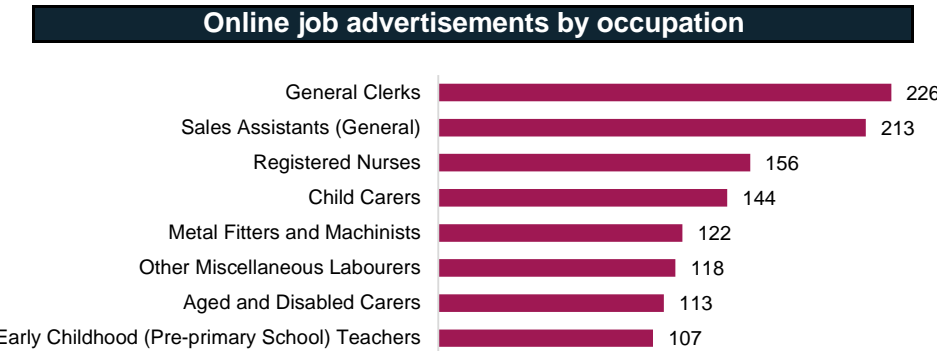
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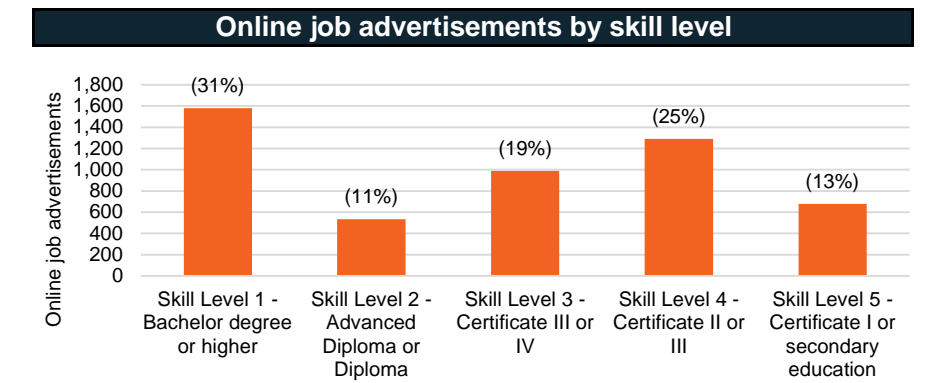
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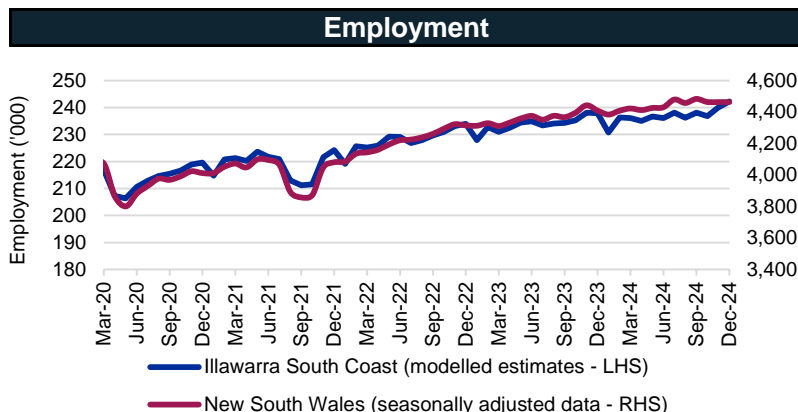
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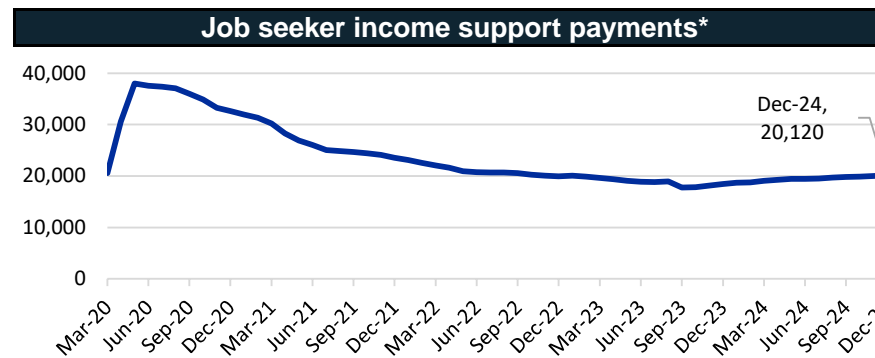
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New South Wales	4,510.7	4,400.8	2.5	175.8	159.9	9.9	3.8	3.5	66.4	66.0	8.8	7.1
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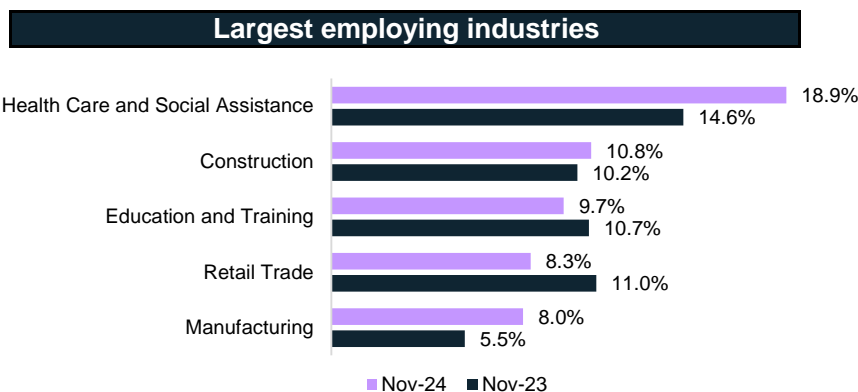
LGA's with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24	Sep-23
Shellharbour	6.9	3.1
Wollongong	6.4	3.1
Eurobodalla	4.6	4.4
Bega Valley	3.5	3.5
Kiama	2.5	1.1

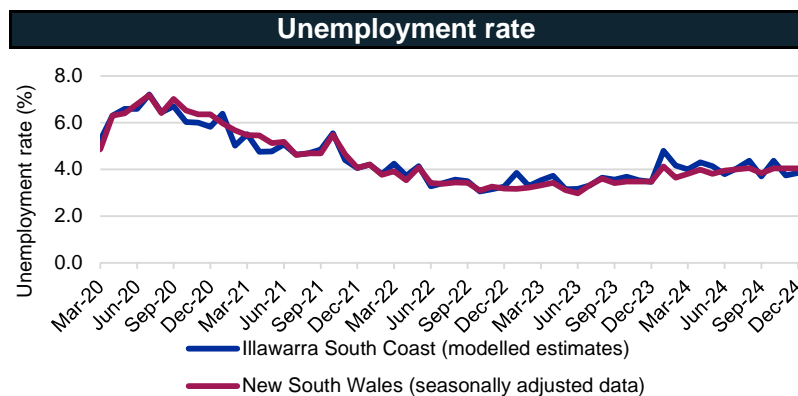
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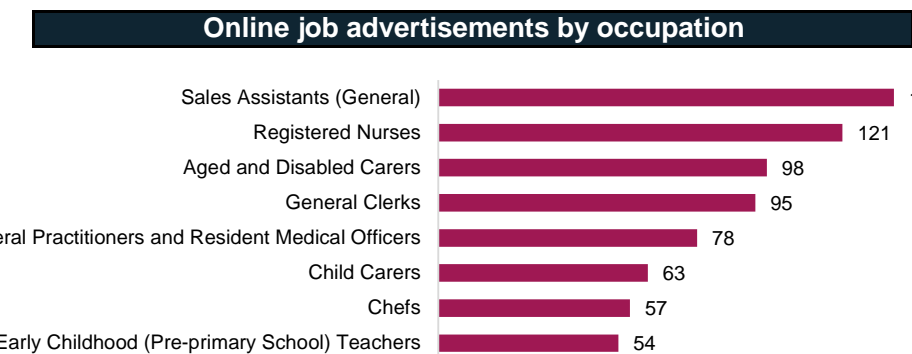
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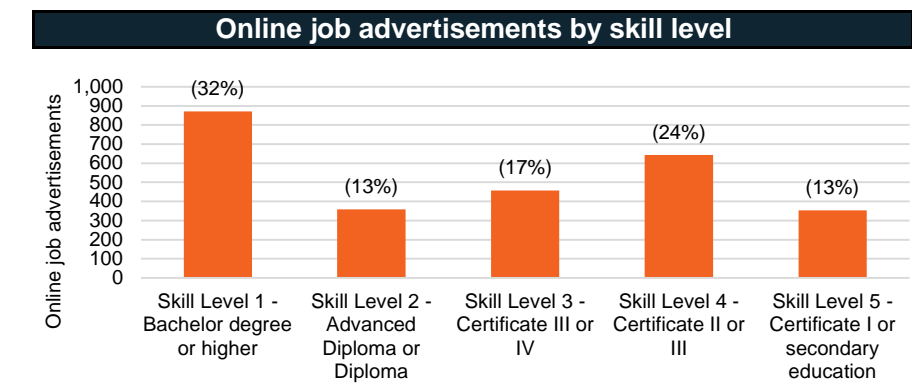
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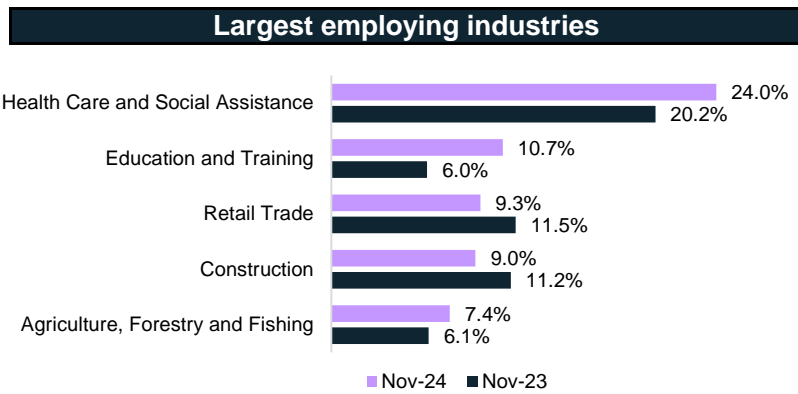
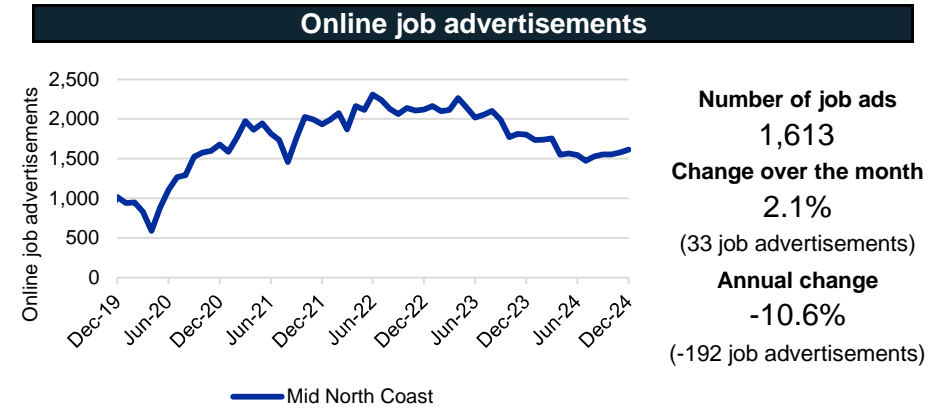
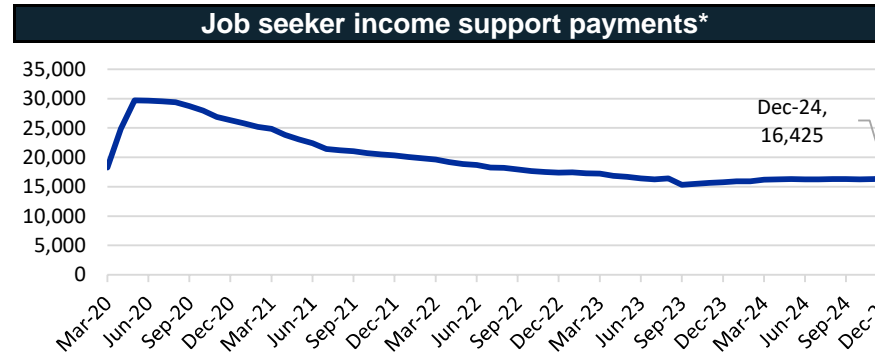
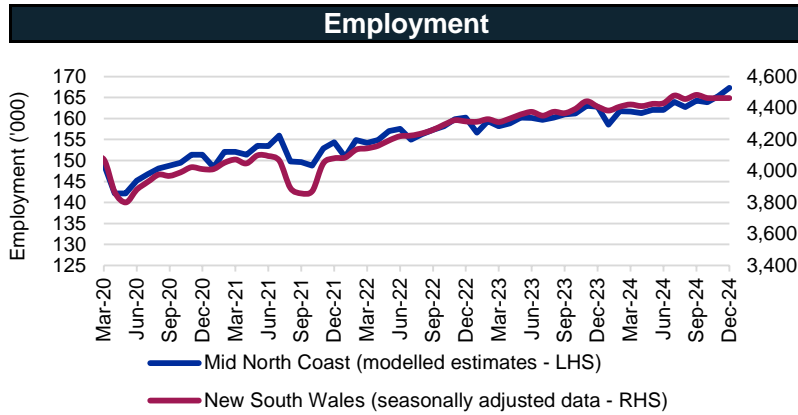
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New South Wales	4,510.7	4,400.8	2.5	175.8	159.9	9.9	3.8	3.5	66.4	66.0	8.8	7.1
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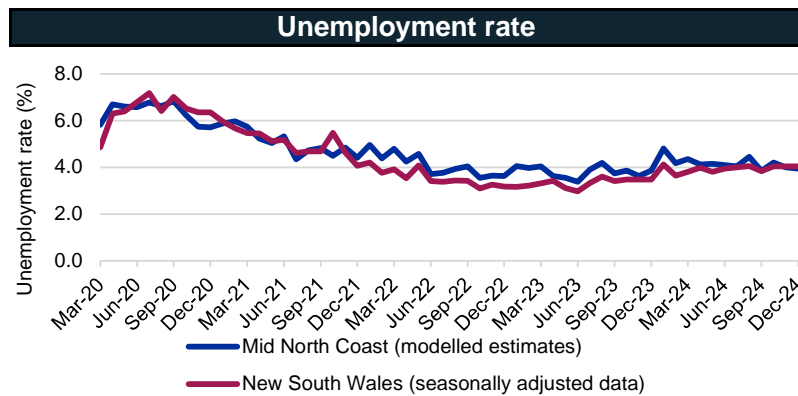
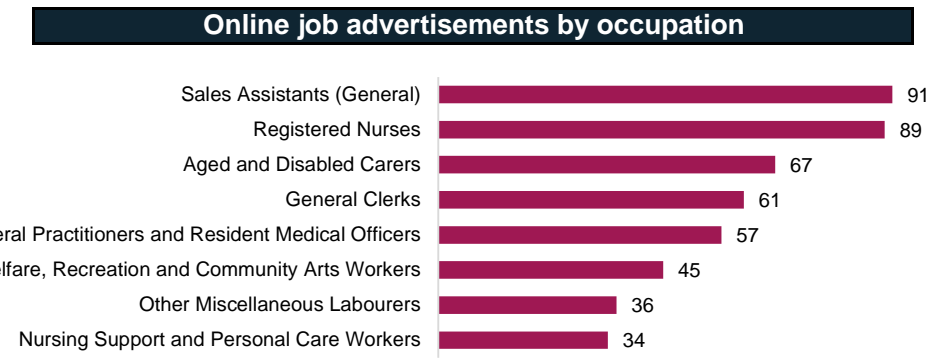
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Change in job seeker income support payments

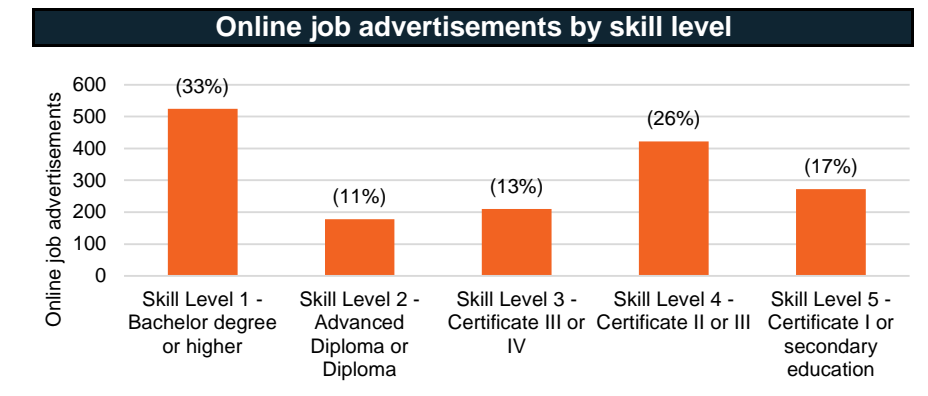
	Mid North Coast	New South Wales
Payments - Dec 2023	15,770	247,615
Payments - Dec 2024	16,425	269,070
Change from Dec 2023 to Dec 2024	↑ 655	↑ 21,455
	↑ 4.2%	↑ 8.7%



% 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
Mid North Coast	16,425	9.0%
New South Wales	269,070	4.9%
Australia	939,160	5.3%

Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker and Youth Allowance (other) payment recipients, Dec-24; ABS, Estimated Resident Population, Jun-23



LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24 (%)	Sep-23 (%)
Nambucca Valley	5.2	6.0
Kempsey	5.1	6.0
Mid-Coast	3.8	4.5
Bellingen	3.4	4.4
Armidale	2.5	2.5

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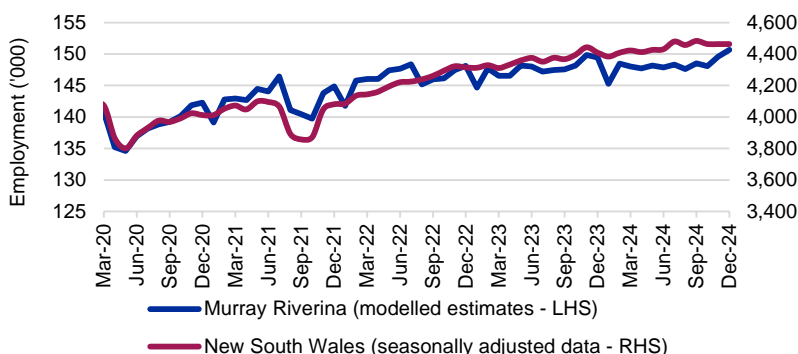
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Murray Riverina	150.7	149.4	0.8	5.2	5.1	3.1	3.4	3.3	66.2	65.7	8.7	4.3
New South Wales	4,510.7	4,400.8	2.5	175.8	159.9	9.9	3.8	3.5	66.4	66.0	8.8	7.1
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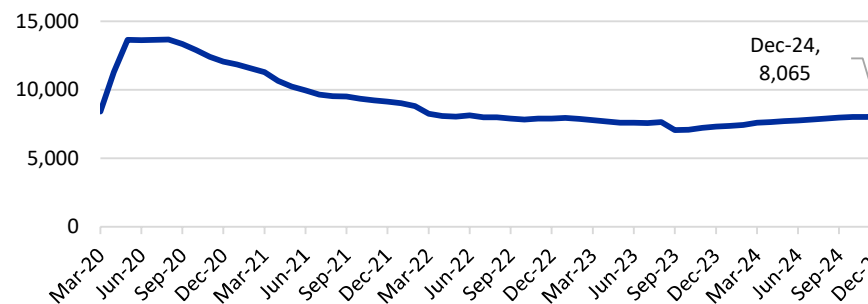
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Employment



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

Job seeker income support payments*



Change in job seeker income support payments

	Murray Riverina	New South Wales
Payments - Dec 2023	7,310	247,615
Payments - Dec 2024	8,065	269,070
Change from Dec 2023 to Dec 2024	↑ 755	↑ 21,455
	↑ 10.3%	↑ 8.7%

% 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
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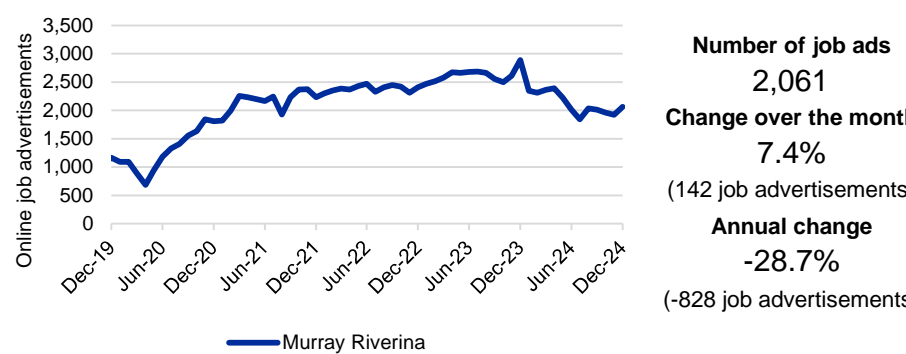
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LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24	Sep-23
Narrandera	4.3	4.2
Wentworth	4.2	5.0
Edward River	4.0	4.9
Albury	3.9	4.8
Leeton	3.1	3.1

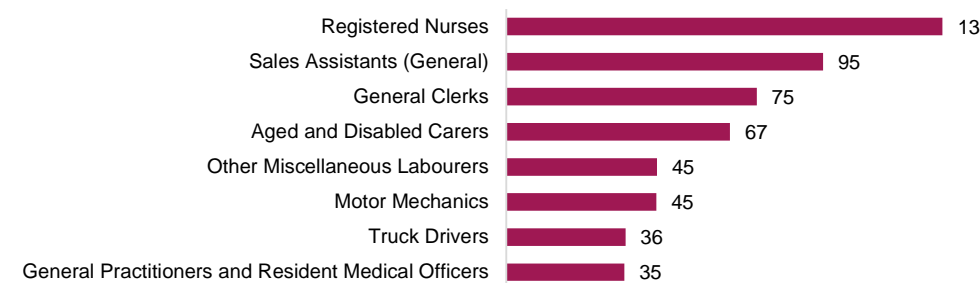
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Online job advertisements



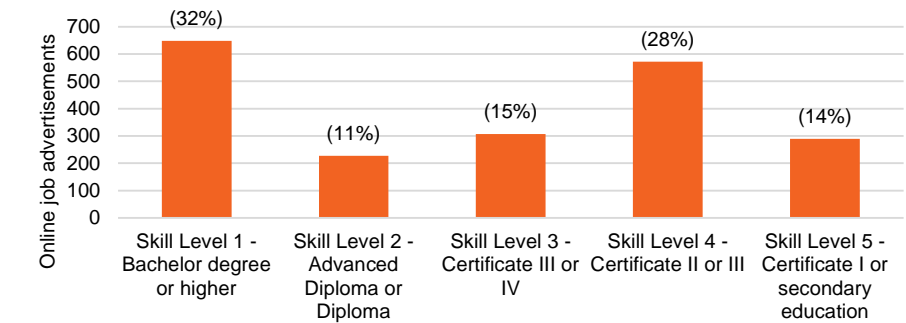
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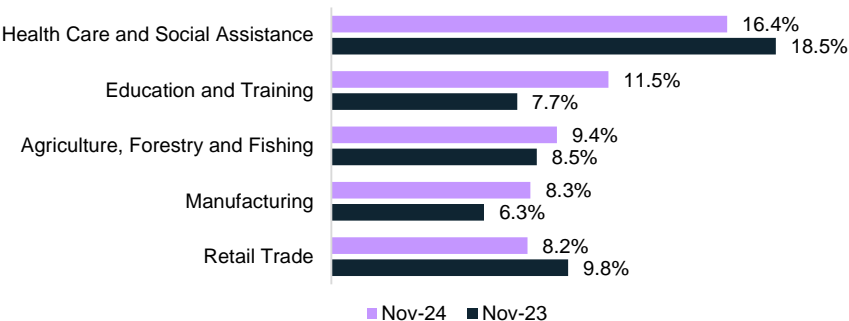
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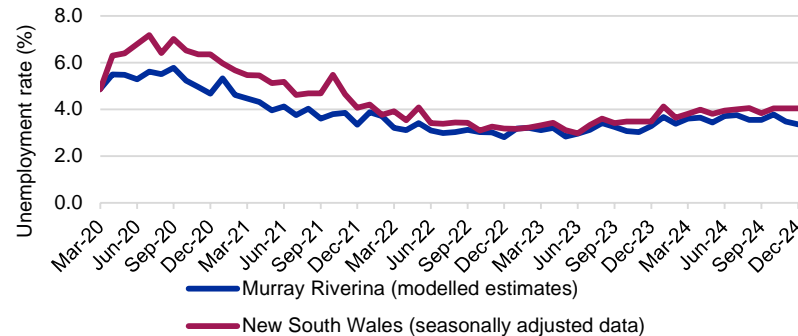
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Largest employing industries



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Unemployment rate



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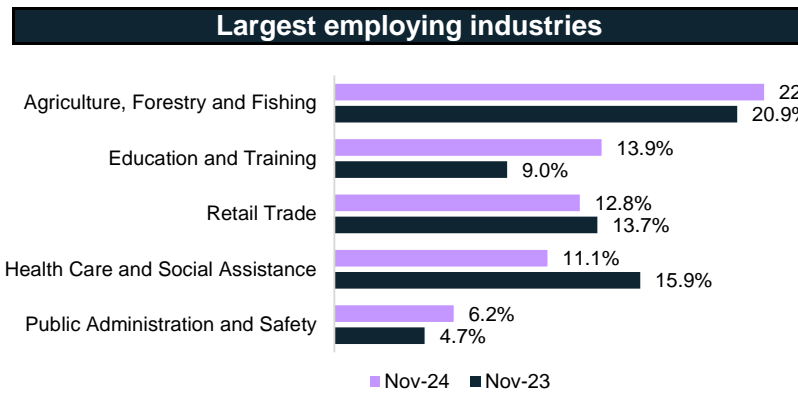
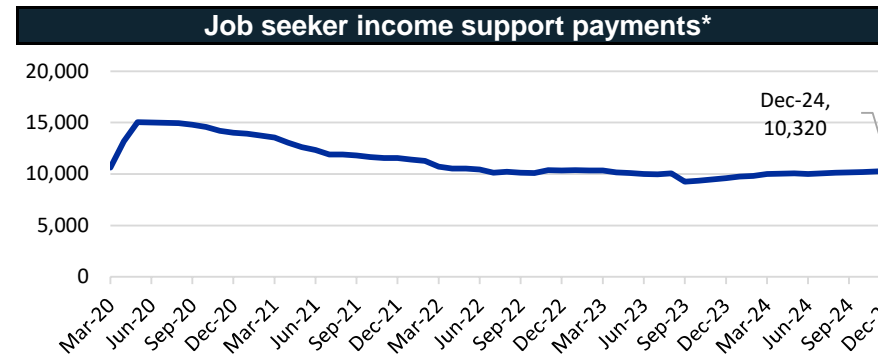
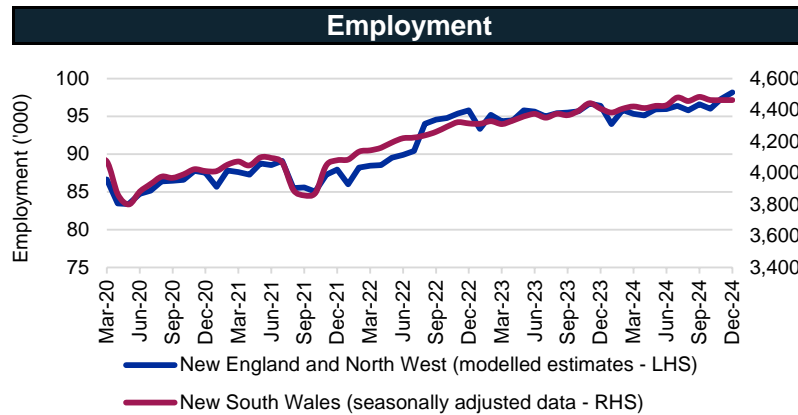
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New England and North West	98.2	96.4	1.9	4.1	4.0	2.8	4.0	4.0	66.4	65.5	14.8	3.2
New South Wales	4,510.7	4,400.8	2.5	175.8	159.9	9.9	3.8	3.5	66.4	66.0	8.8	7.1
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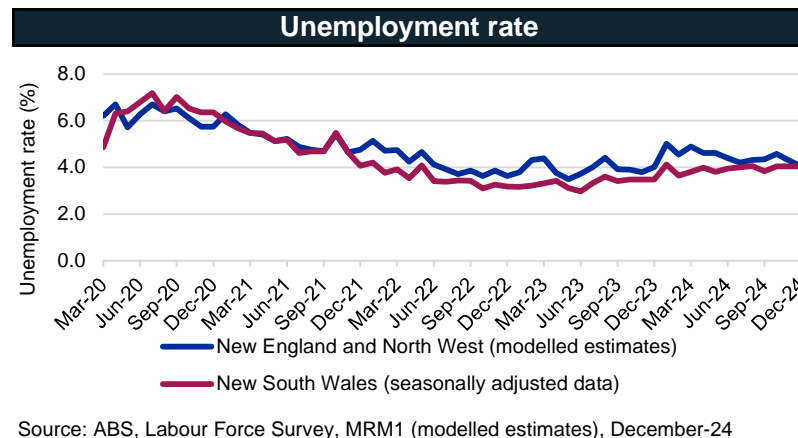
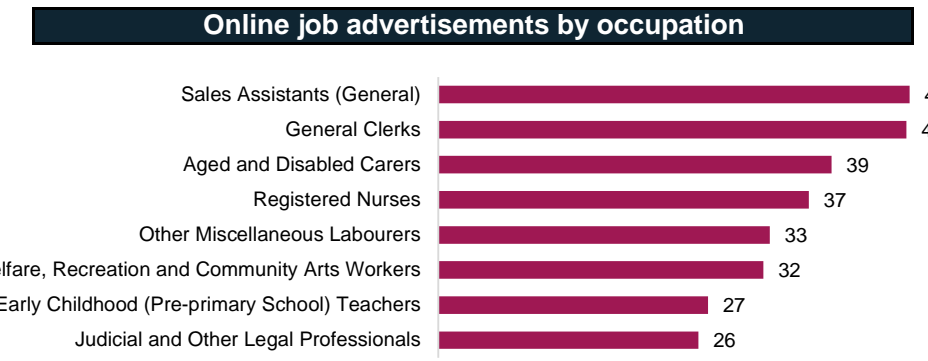
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Change in job seeker income support payments

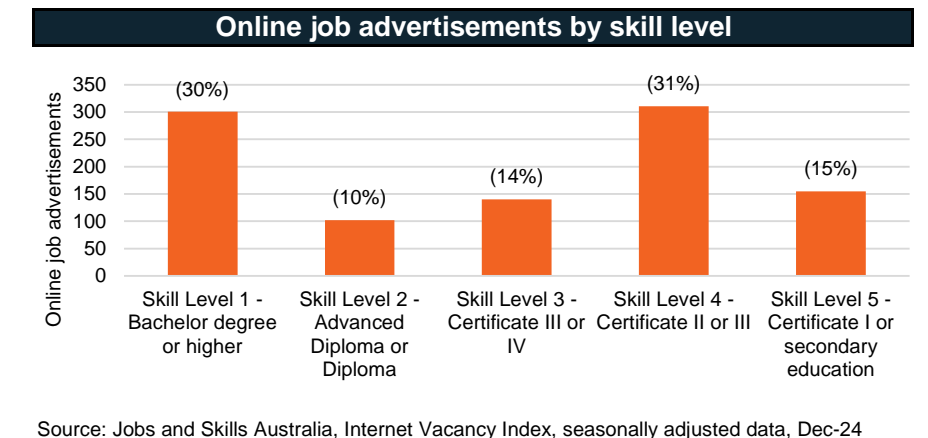
	New England and North West	New South Wales
Payments - Dec 2023	9,605	247,615
Payments - Dec 2024	10,320	269,070
Change from Dec 2023 to Dec 2024	↑ 715	↑ 21,455
	↑ 7.4%	↑ 8.7%



% 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
New England and North West	10,320	9.2%
New South Wales	269,070	4.9%
Australia	939,160	5.3%

Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker and Youth Allowance (other) payment recipients, Dec-24; ABS, Estimated Resident Population, Jun-23



LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24	Sep-23
Tenterfield	3.5	3.7
Glen Innes Severn	3.0	3.5
Moree Plains	2.9	3.5
Armidale	2.5	2.5
Inverell	2.5	3.1

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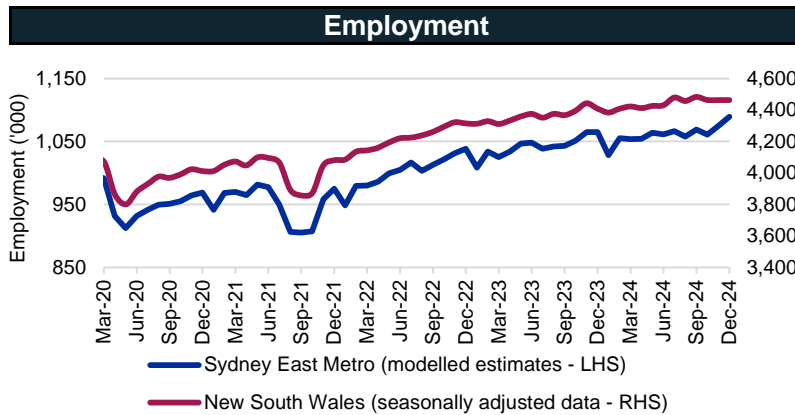
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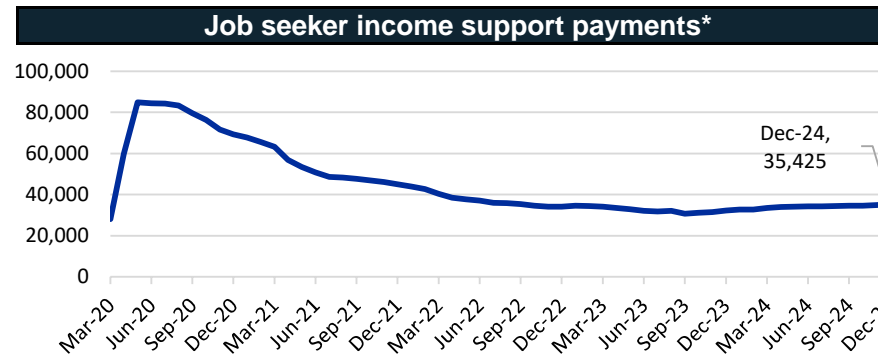
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Sydney East Metro	1,089.3	1,064.9	2.3	38.0	33.4	13.9	3.4	3.0	70.2	70.5	8.3	6.9
New South Wales	4,510.7	4,400.8	2.5	175.8	159.9	9.9	3.8	3.5	66.4	66.0	8.8	7.1
Australia	14,584.4	14,140.1	3.1	604.1	584.6	3.3	4.0	4.0	67.1	66.6	9.1	9.6

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



Change in job seeker income support payments

	Sydney East Metro	New South Wales
Payments - Dec 2023	32,330	247,615
Payments - Dec 2024	35,425	269,070
Change from Dec 2023 to Dec 2024	↑ 3,095	↑ 21,455
	↑ 9.6%	↑ 8.7%

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

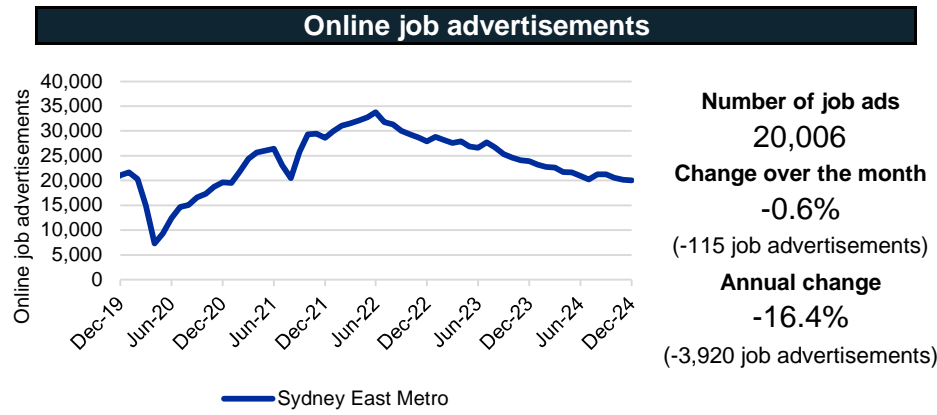
	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
Sydney East Metro	35,425	3.1%
New South Wales	269,070	4.9%
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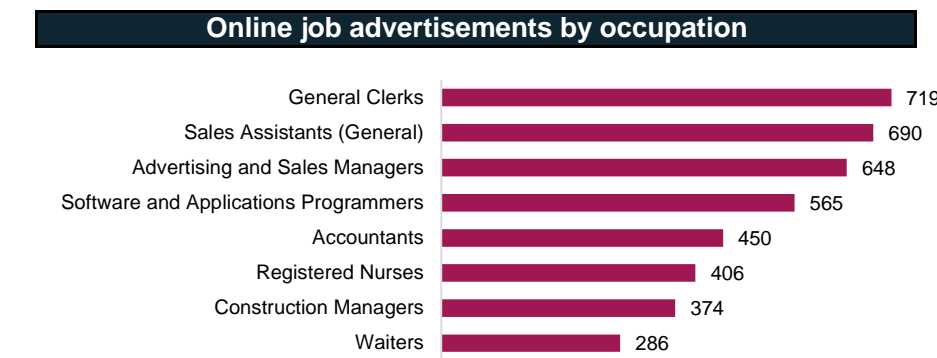
LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24	Sep-23
Canterbury-Bankstown	5.9	5.1
Randwick	5.2	3.9
Sydney	4.5	3.3
Inner West	4.5	4.3
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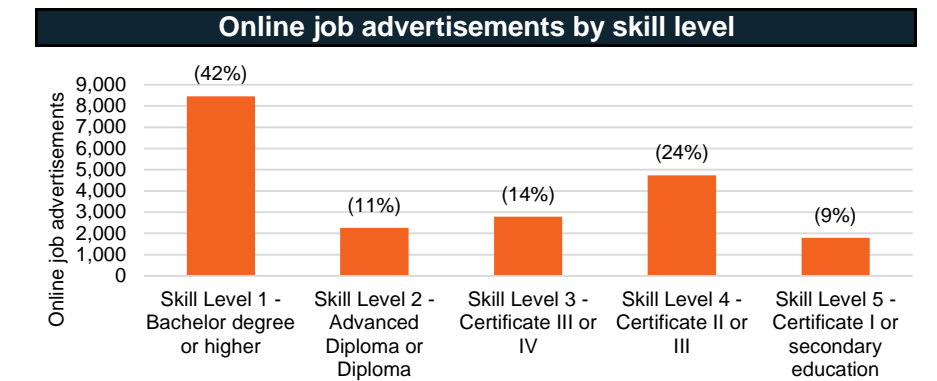
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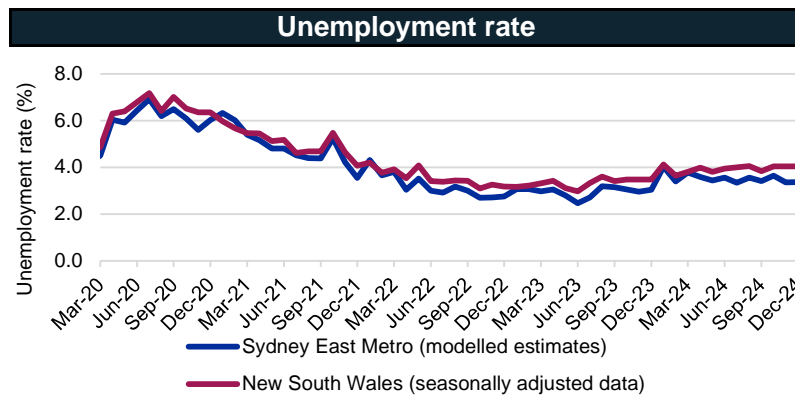
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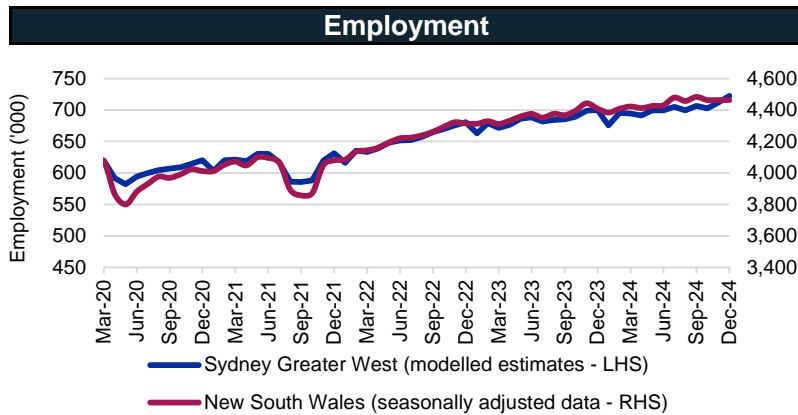
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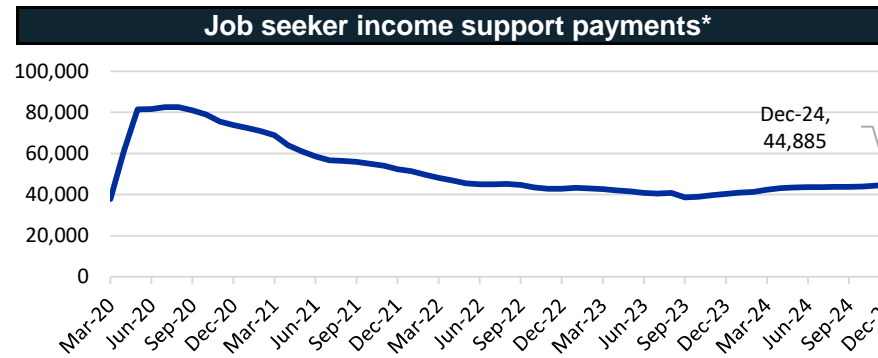
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Sydney Greater West	722.3	699.9	3.2	31.6	26.9	17.2	4.2	3.7	70.3	69.7	9.4	8.0
New South Wales	4,510.7	4,400.8	2.5	175.8	159.9	9.9	3.8	3.5	66.4	66.0	8.8	7.1
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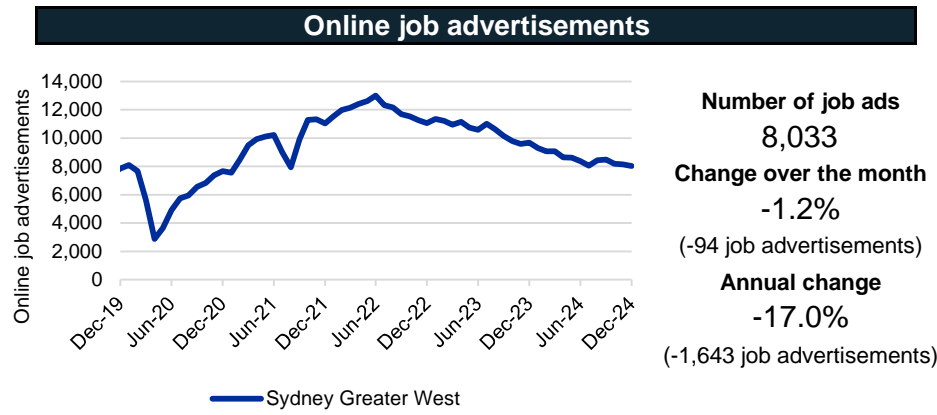


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Change in job seeker income support payments

	Sydney Greater West	New South Wales
Payments - Dec 2023	40,350	247,615
Payments - Dec 2024	44,885	269,070
Change from Dec 2023 to Dec 2024	↑ 4,535	↑ 21,455
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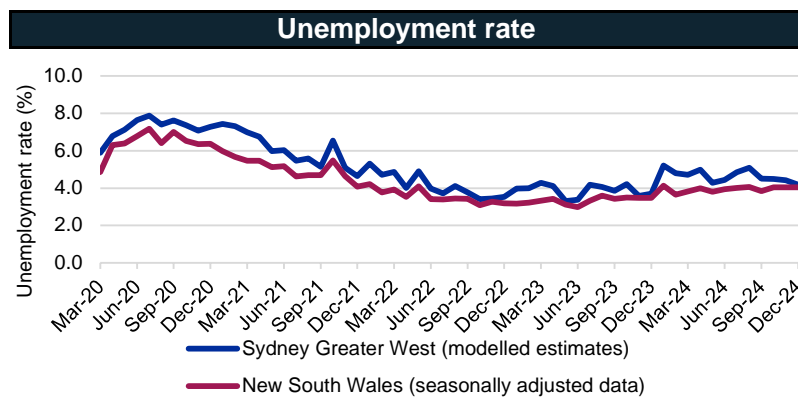


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% of 15-64 year olds** on job seeker income support payments

	total persons on job seeker income support	% of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support
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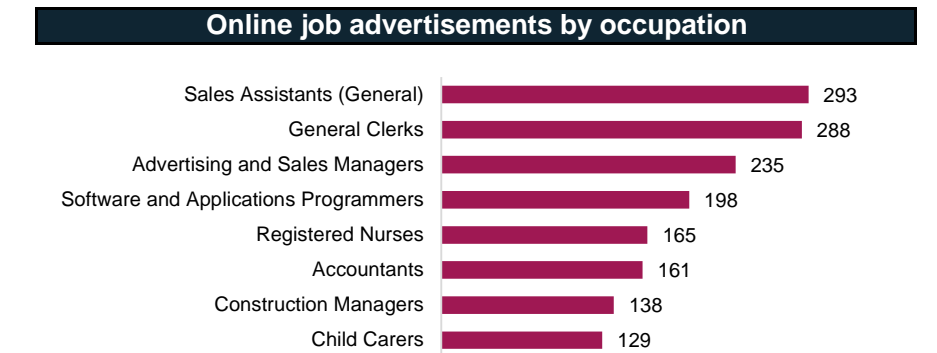


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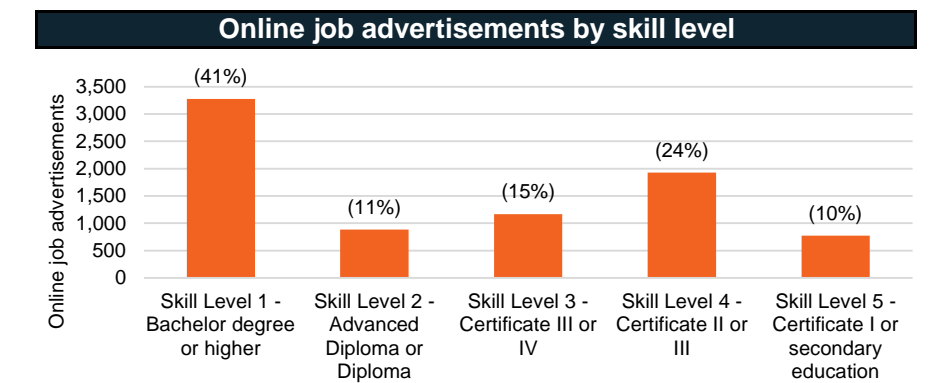
LGA's with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24	Sep-23
Fairfield	8.4	7.7
Canterbury-Bankstown	5.9	5.1
Cumberland	5.9	5.4
Blacktown	5.1	4.1
Penrith	4.1	3.4

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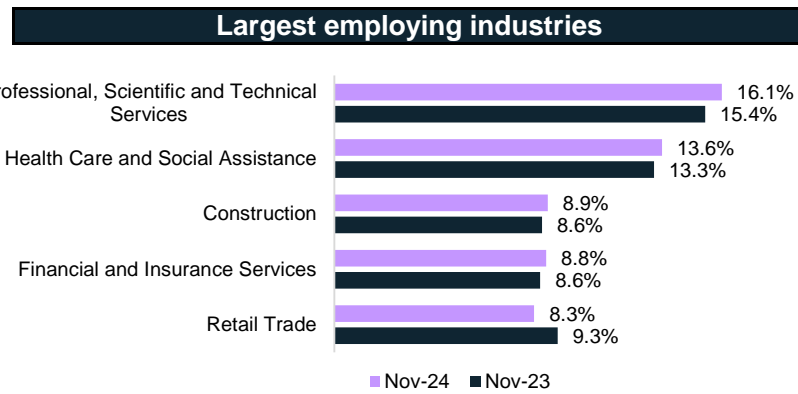
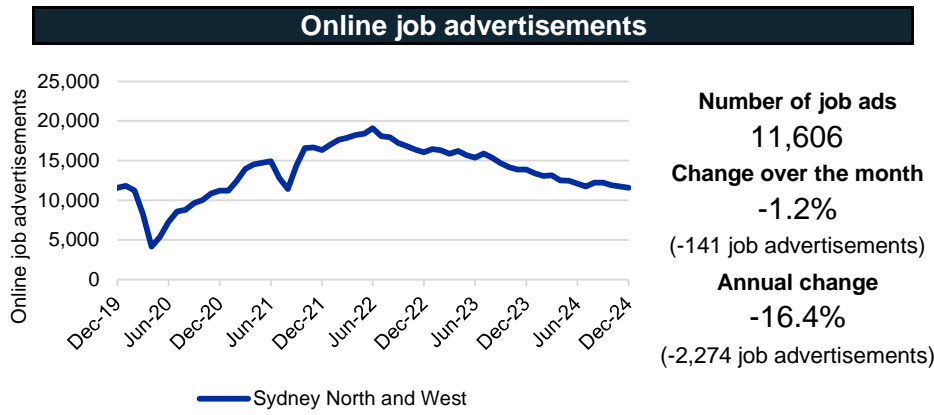
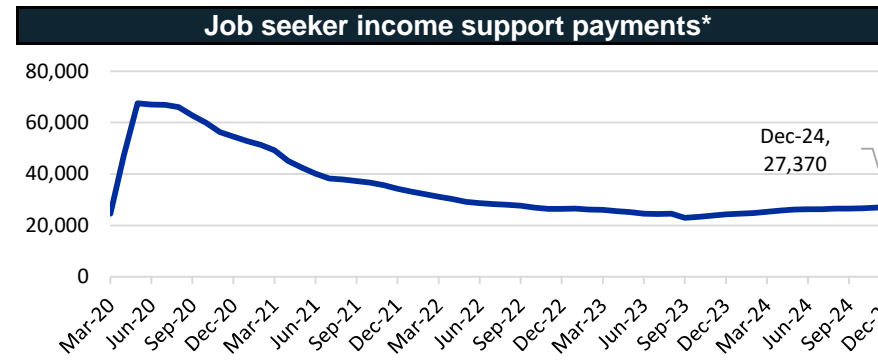
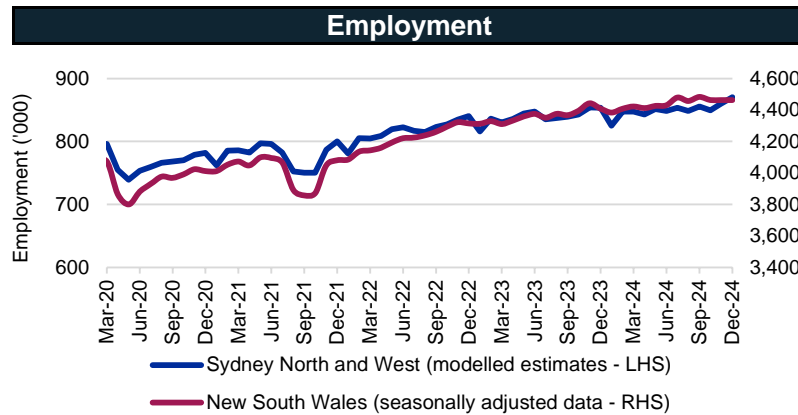
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Sydney North and West	870.5	853.5	2.0	28.9	25.2	14.4	3.2	2.9	68.3	68.2	7.8	6.2
New South Wales	4,510.7	4,400.8	2.5	175.8	159.9	9.9	3.8	3.5	66.4	66.0	8.8	7.1
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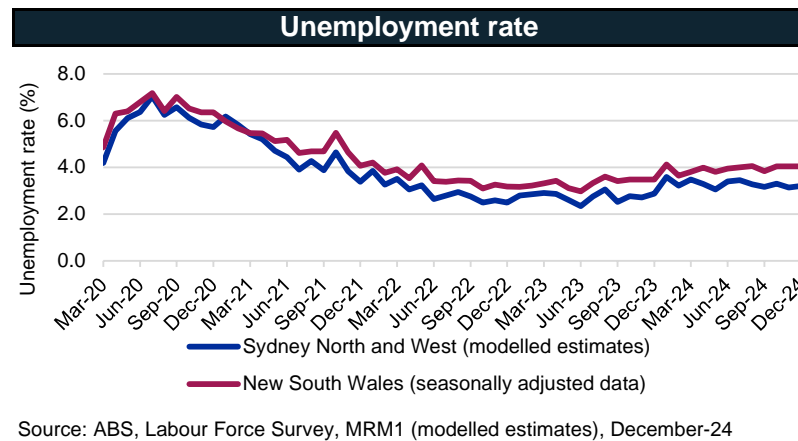
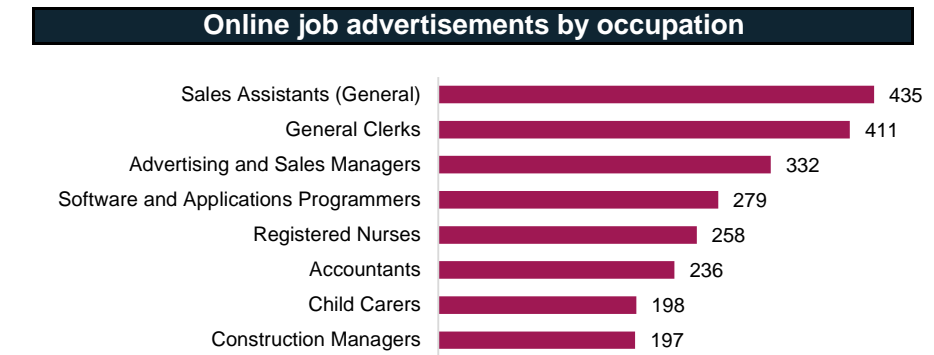
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Change in job seeker income support payments

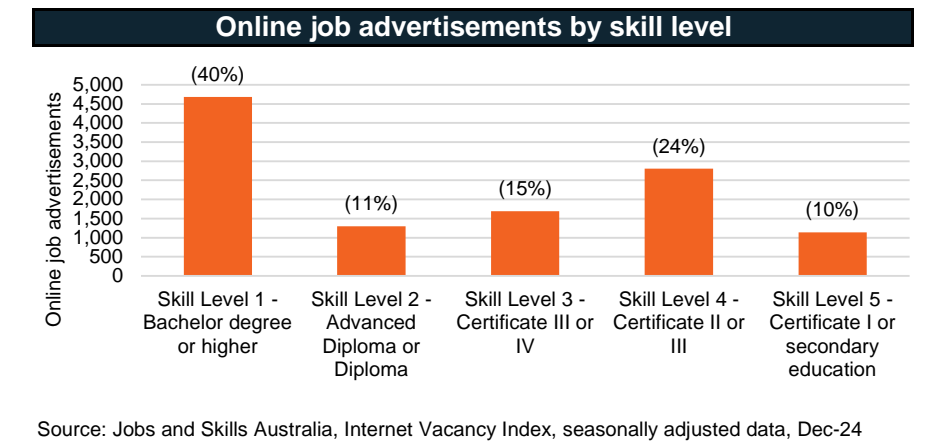
	Sydney North and West	New South Wales
Payments - Dec 2023	24,250	247,615
Payments - Dec 2024	27,370	269,070
Change from Dec 2023 to Dec 2024	↑ 3,120	↑ 21,455
	↑ 12.9%	↑ 8.7%



% 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
Sydney North and West	27,370	2.8%
New South Wales	269,070	4.9%
Australia	939,160	5.3%

Source: Department of Social Services, JobSeeker and Youth Allowance (other) payment recipients, Dec-24; ABS, Estimated Resident Population, Jun-23



LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24 (%)	Sep-23 (%)
Hornsby	4.3	4.1
Hawkesbury	4.0	3.8
Willoughby	3.7	3.0
Ryde	3.6	3.5
Lane Cove	3.4	2.4

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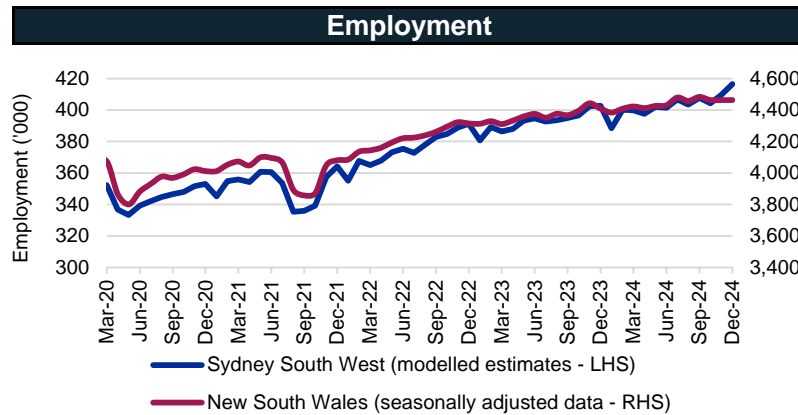
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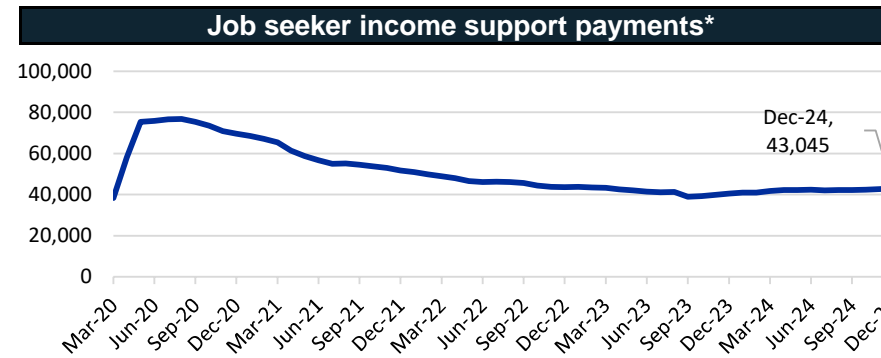
	Labour market summary table											
	Employment			Unemployment			Unemployment rate		Participation rate		Youth unemployment rate	
	Dec-24 ('000)	Dec-23 ('000)	Change (%)	Dec-24 ('000)	Dec-23 ('000)	Change (%)	Dec-24 (%)	Dec-23 (%)	Dec-24 (%)	Dec-23 (%)	Dec-24 (%)	Dec-23 (%)
Sydney South West	416.6	402.6	3.5	18.6	17.9	4.3	4.3	4.2	65.3	64.8	10.7	10.1
New South Wales	4,510.7	4,400.8	2.5	175.8	159.9	9.9	3.8	3.5	66.4	66.0	8.8	7.1
Australia	14,584.4	14,140.1	3.1	604.1	584.6	3.3	4.0	4.0	67.1	66.6	9.1	9.6

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Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24	Sep-23
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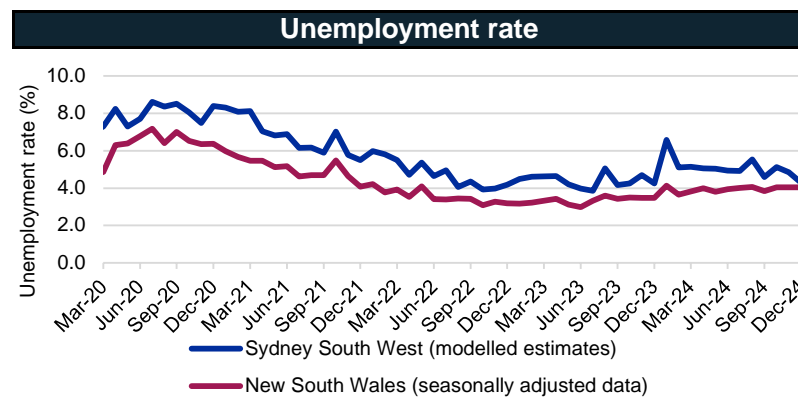
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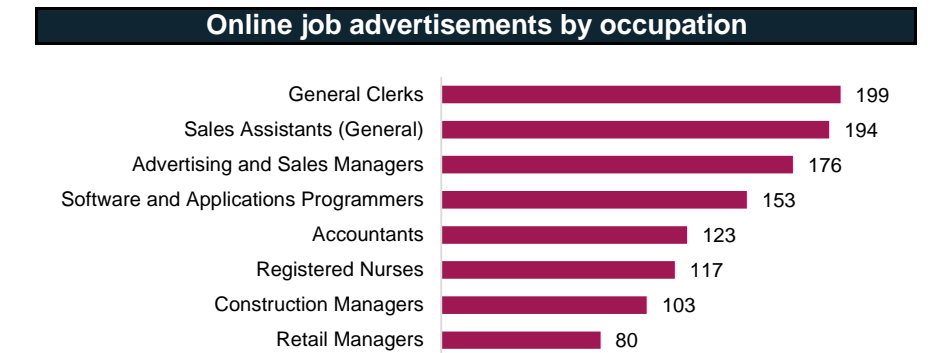
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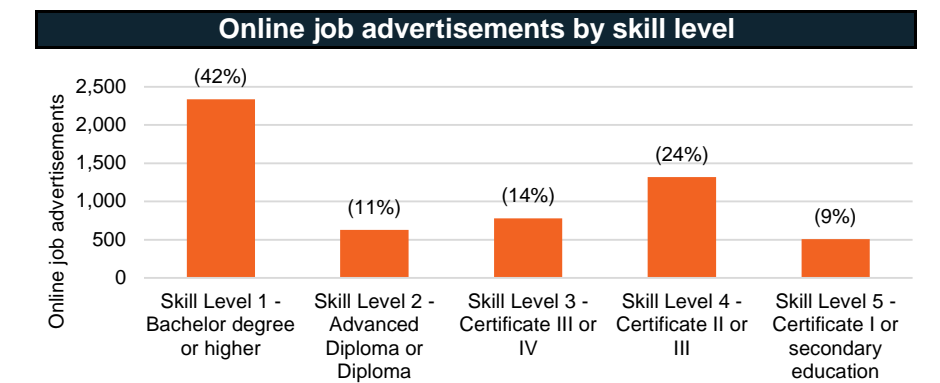
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Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, MRM1 (modelled estimates), December-24



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