

# Labour Market Dashboard Northern Territory

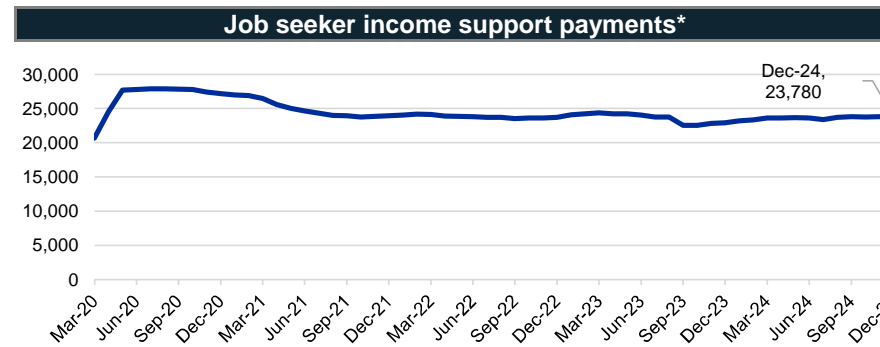
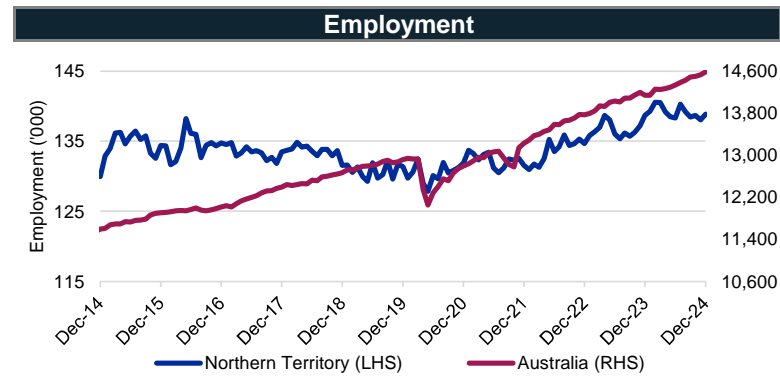
Data current as at 23 January 2025

Refer to source notes for data reference periods

| Labour market summary table |               |               |            |               |               |            |                   |            |                    |            |                         |            |
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|                             | 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 (%) |
| Northern Territory          | 138.9         | 138.7         | 0.1        | 6.1           | 6.4           | -5.3       | 4.2               | 4.4        | 72.2               | 73.2       | 9.3                     | 11.5       |
| 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        |

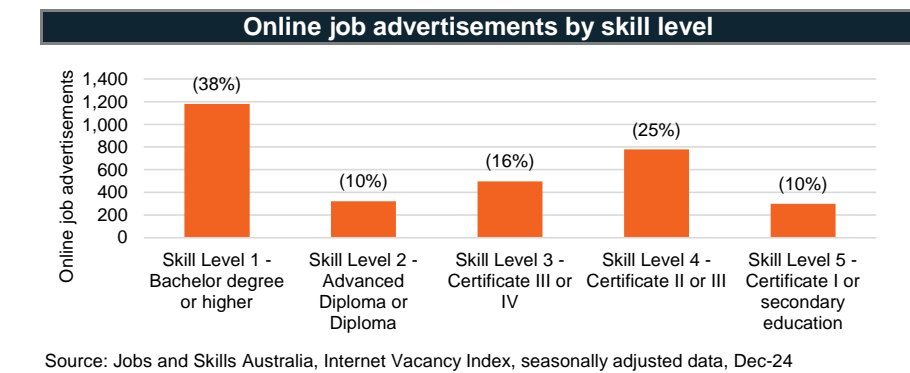
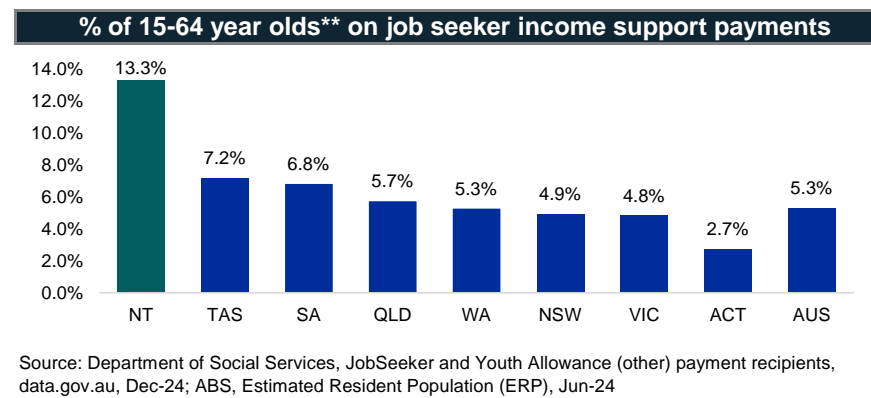
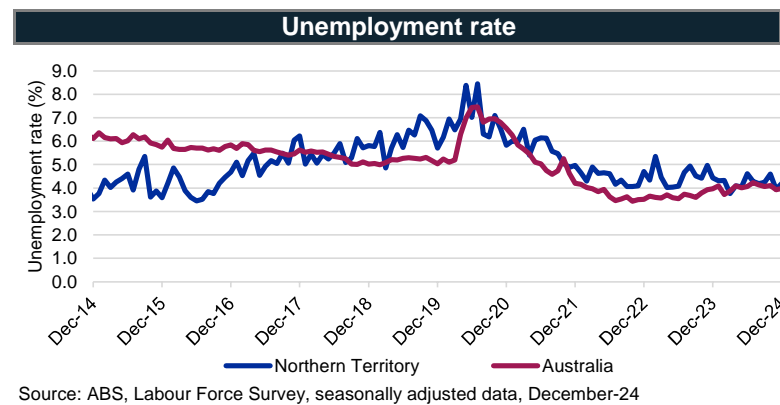
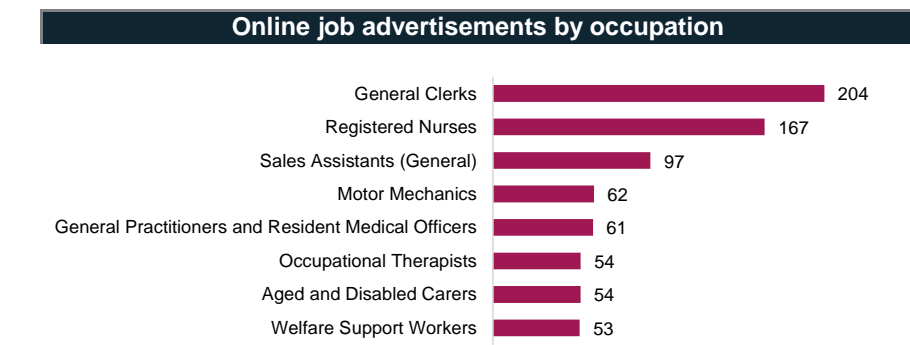
Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, seasonally adjusted data, December-24

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



### Change in job seeker income support payments

|                                 | Northern Territory | Australia |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Payments - December 2023        | 22,910             | 861,455   |
| Payments - December 2024        | 23,780             | 939,160   |
| Change (Dec 2023 to Dec 2024)   | ↑ 870              | ↑ 77,705  |
| Change % (Dec 2023 to Dec 2024) | ↑ 3.8%             | ↑ 9.0%    |

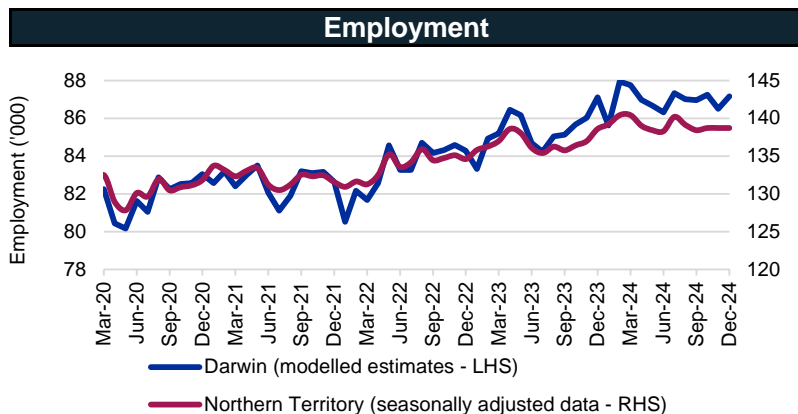


Notes: Data in the labour market summary table are seasonally adjusted estimates, except for the youth unemployment rate which is a 12-month average of original estimates. \*Job seeker payments include those who are in receipt of either JobSeeker (aged 22 and over but under the Age Pension qualifying age) or Youth Allowance (other) payments (those aged 16 to 21). The reporting population for income support payments has changed to include those who are suspended from payment, and those who are current but on zero rate of payment for JobSeeker payments and those who are suspended from payment for Youth Allowance. Note that not everyone in receipt of income support is on the caseload. Data are published on data.gov.au.\*\* ERP estimates are only available by standard 5 year age groups. For further information about the data, refer to the Employment Region Labour Market Dashboards data sources and quality document at jobsandskills.gov.au. For enquiries related to this dashboard, contact RegionalWorkforceAssessment@jobsandskills.gov.au.

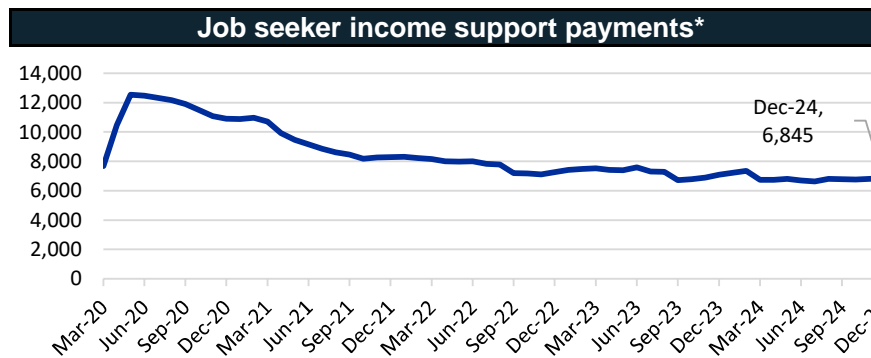
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|                             | Employment    |               |            | Unemployment  |               |            | Unemployment rate |            | Participation rate |            | Youth unemployment rate |            |
|                             | 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 (%) |
| Darwin                      | 87.2          | 87.1          | 0.0        | 3.1           | 3.0           | 2.4        | 3.4               | 3.3        | 75.2               | 76.1       | 7.1                     | 9.3        |
| Northern Territory          | 138.9         | 138.7         | 0.1        | 6.1           | 6.4           | -5.3       | 4.2               | 4.4        | 72.2               | 73.2       | 9.3                     | 11.5       |
| 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        |

Source: ABS, Labour Force, Australia, Detailed, December 2024, table MRM1 for Employment Region data, except for the youth unemployment rate, which is a 12-month average of the original estimates from the Labour Force Survey. State youth unemployment rates are 12-month averages of original estimates. Remaining data are seasonally adjusted.

This **Labour Market Dashboard** provides key indicators for the labour market by Employment Region and is updated monthly.

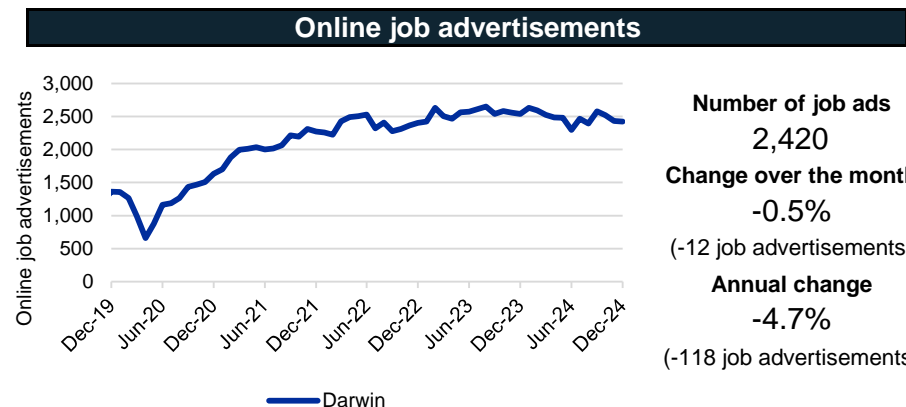


Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, MRM1 (modelled estimates), December-24



### Change in job seeker income support payments

|                                  | Darwin  | Northern Territory |
|----------------------------------|---------|--------------------|
| Payments - Dec 2023              | 7,085   | 22,910             |
| Payments - Dec 2024              | 6,845   | 23,780             |
| Change from Dec 2023 to Dec 2024 | ↓ -240  | ↑ 870              |
|                                  | ↓ -3.4% | ↑ 3.8%             |



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, Dec-24

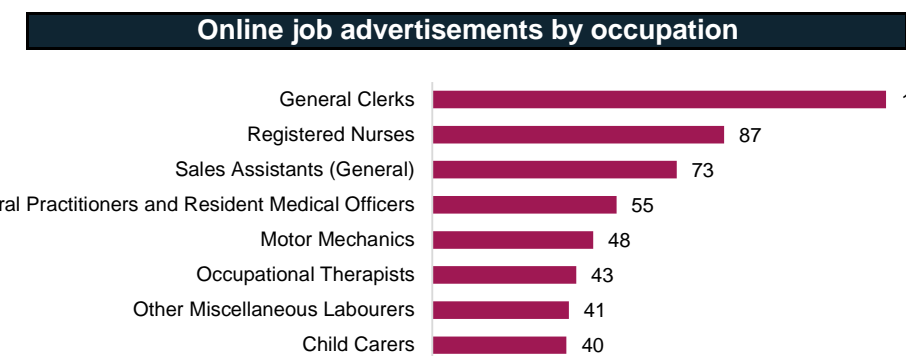


Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, Detailed, four quarter averages, November-24 quarter#

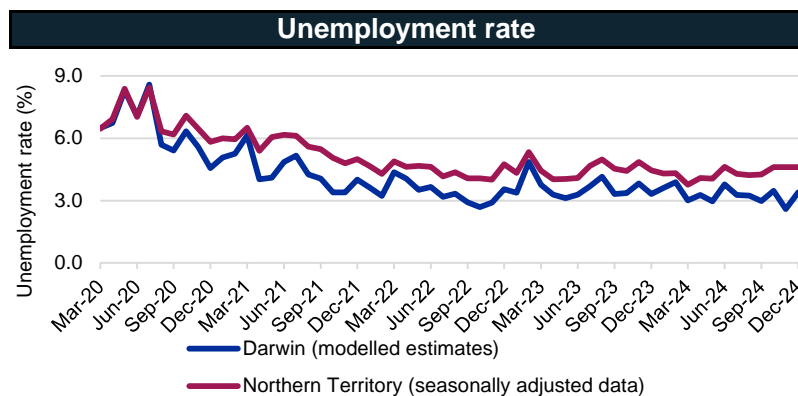
### % of 15-64 year olds\*\* on job seeker income support payments

|                    | total persons on job seeker income support | % of 15-64 year olds on job seeker income support |
|--------------------|--|---|
| Darwin             | 6,845                                      | 6.1%  |
| Northern Territory | 23,780                                     | 13.3%   |
| 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



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, 3 month average of original data, December-24

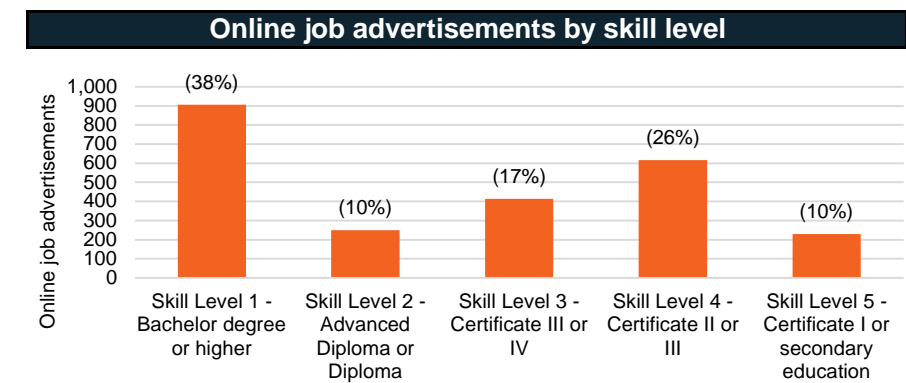


Source: ABS, Labour Force Survey, MRM1 (modelled estimates), December-24

### LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)

| Local Government Area (LGA) | Sep-24 (%) | Sep-23 (%) |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Palmerston                  | 3.7        | 3.6        |
| Darwin                      | 3.0        | 2.9        |
| Alice Springs               | 1.8        | 1.9        |

For more insights, access SALM data via jobsandskills.gov.au. Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, September-24 quarter



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, seasonally adjusted data, Dec-24

Note: Data are not readily available by Employment Region. ABS modelled estimates are based on the Darwin SA4. While this is the best fit available, it is only a fair proxy for the Employment Region so caution should be used interpreting results. The Internet Vacancy Index (IVI) and income support data are apportioned to Employment Regions using an SA2 based concordance. \*Job seeker payments include those who are in receipt of either JobSeeker (aged 22 and over but under the Age Pension qualifying age) or Youth Allowance (other) payments (those aged 16 to 21). The reporting population for income support payments has changed to include those who are suspended from payment, and those who are current but on zero rate of payment for JobSeeker payments and those who are suspended from payment for Youth Allowance. Note that not everyone in receipt of income support is on the caseload. DSS data for Alice Springs has been included for the Darwin ER. Data are published on data.gov.au. \*\*Estimated Resident Population estimates are only available by standard 5 year age groups. For more information about the data in this dashboard, refer to the Employment Region Labour Market Dashboard data sources and quality document on jobsandskills.gov.au. #Given the volatility of the underlying data, industry employment proportions should be treated with a high degree of caution, particularly change over the year figures.