



## North West Country SA Employment Region South Australia

## **Labour Market Dashboard**

## Data current as at 23 January 2025

Refer to source notes for data reference periods

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 JSA 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.

Labour market summary table								
	Labour Force			Unemployment			Unemployment rate	
	Sep-24	Sep-23	Change	Sep-24	Sep-23	Change	Sep-24	Sep-23
North West Country SA	24,379	24,472	-0.4%	1,339	1,913	-30.0%	5.5%	7.8%

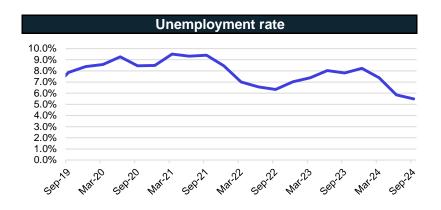
Source: JSA, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, September-24 quarter



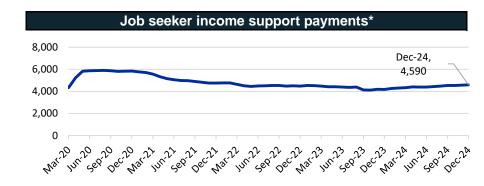
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## Health Care and Social Assistance Retail Trade Education and Training Manufacturing Construction Accommodation and Food Services Public Administration and Safety Mining Transport, Postal and Warehousing Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing Health Care and Social Assistance Retail Trade 11.2% 8.9% 9.4% 8.9% 7.4% 6.9% 6.9% 4.8% 4.8%

Source: ABS, Census of Population and Housing, 2021



Source: JSA, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, September-24 quarter



Change in job seeker income support payments						
	No	orth West Country SA		South Australia		
Payments - Dec 2023		4,175		76,250		
Payments - Dec 2024		4,590		80,610		
Change from Dec 2023	1	415	1	4,360		
to Dec 2024	<b>1</b>	9.9%	1	5.7%		

% 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		
North West Country SA	4,590	14.2%		
South Australia	80,610	6.8%		
Australia	939,160	5.3%		

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

LGAs with highest unemployment rates (%)					
Local Government Area (LGA)	Sep-24	Sep-23			
Port Augusta	6.7	9.6			
Whyalla	6.4	8.9			
Port Lincoln	3.1	4.7			

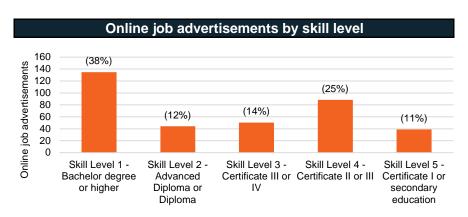
For more insights, access SALM data via jobsandskills.gov.au. Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Small Area Labour Markets, smoothed data, September-24 quarter



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



Source: Jobs and Skills Australia, Internet Vacancy Index, 3 month averages, Dec-24



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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 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 rates for this Employment Region. 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 Youth Allowance. Note that not everyone in receipt of income support is on the caseload. 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 on jobsandskills.gov.au.