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JOBS SURGE FOR WESTERN SYDNEY

Western Sydney is experiencing a jobs bonanza with the region adding more jobs since 2011 than all of Queensland.

The latest Australian Bureau of Statistics data reveals employment has grown for Western Sydney residents by more than 212,000 over the past seven and a half years.

The Western Sydney unemployment rate currently sits at 5.0 per cent, just above last month's record lows.

Treasurer Dominic Perrottet said the new jobs figures demonstrated the strength of the NSW economy with the state's unemployment rate sitting at 4.4 per cent – the lowest among the states for 41 straight months.

“Since 2011, more new jobs have been created in Western Sydney than the whole of South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania combined,” Mr Perrottet said.

“Western Sydney is reaping the rewards of our unprecedented levels of infrastructure investment.”

“Game-changing projects like the Western Sydney Aerotropolis will help create thousands more employment opportunities for people across the region well into the future.”

Across the rest of NSW women continued to lead the way with an impressive 237,700 jobs added since 2015 with women responsible for almost 63 per cent of new jobs during that time.

“An economy that is creating jobs provides stability for families allowing them to plan for the future and enjoy the fruits of their labour,” Mr Perrottet said.

“I am delighted to say the unemployment rate for women in NSW has set a record low of just 4.1 per cent.”

“These are numbers people could have only wished for under the last Labor government.”

“Thanks to our strong economic management there have been more jobs added for women in the last three and a half years than were added between 2003 and 2011 under Labor.”

"The only thing growing under NSW Labor will be the unemployment queues because of Opposition Leader Michael Daley's reckless plans to cancel projects."

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