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NSW CONTINUES RECORD LOW UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

NSW continues to lead the nation with a 4.6 per cent unemployment rate, the lowest in Australia for the 29th consecutive month, the latest ABS data shows.

NSW has added 218,900 jobs since the last election, far exceeding the government's election commitment of 150,000 new jobs.

Treasurer Dominic Perrottet said the government's strong economic management, ongoing business reforms and robust investment in the state's infrastructure were putting more people in work.

"Since coming into government in 2011, NSW has created more jobs than any other state in Australia," Mr Perrottet said.

"The state's economy is firing on all cylinders with the longest construction boom in NSW history, fuelled in part by our massive infrastructure program.

"This activity is having the desired effect, providing stability and security for the hard-working people of NSW now and into the future."

NSW has added 176,700 full-time jobs since the last election, 81 per cent of all jobs in the state. In the rest of Australia, full-time jobs account for just 42 per cent of jobs in total.

The ABS data also showed NSW continues to have the lowest youth unemployment rate of all the states.

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