

# Regional labour force – Queensland - Outback SA4, Mar 23

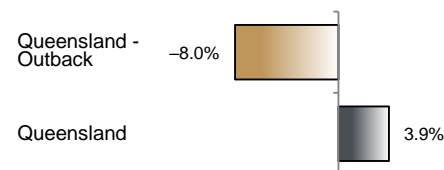
Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 20 April 2023, 11:30 am (AEST)

**Table 1 Labour force status, Queensland - Outback SA4**

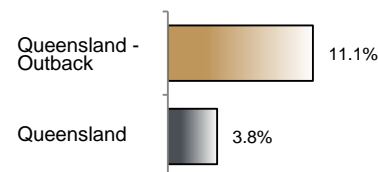
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Mar 22	Feb 23	Mar 23	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	38,100	35,200	35,000	-3,100	-8.0
Total unemployed	4,000	4,400	4,400	300	8.1
Total labour force	42,100	39,500	39,400	-2,700	-6.5
Not in the labour force	21,300	24,800	25,000	3,700	17.3
Total persons 15+	63,500	64,300	64,400	1,000	1.5
Participation rate (%)	66.4	61.5	61.1	..	-5.2 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	9.6	11.1	11.1	..	1.5 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

**Employment growth, annual**



**Unemployment rate**



## Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↓ 8.0%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 11.1%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↑ 1.5 ppt  
 Participation rate ..... 61.1%

ppt = percentage point

## Main findings

Note: Due to the high standard errors associated with regional labour force survey data, the ABS and QGSO recommend using 12-month averages to reduce the volatility of the underlying original data.

All data in this brief are based on 12-month moving averages.

- The number of employed persons in Queensland - Outback SA4 in March 2023 was 35,000 persons, a decrease of 3,100 employed persons, or 8.0% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Queensland - Outback SA4 in March 2023 was 11.1 per cent, an increase of 1.5 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Queensland - Outback SA4 in March 2023 was 61.1 per cent, a decrease of 5.2 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

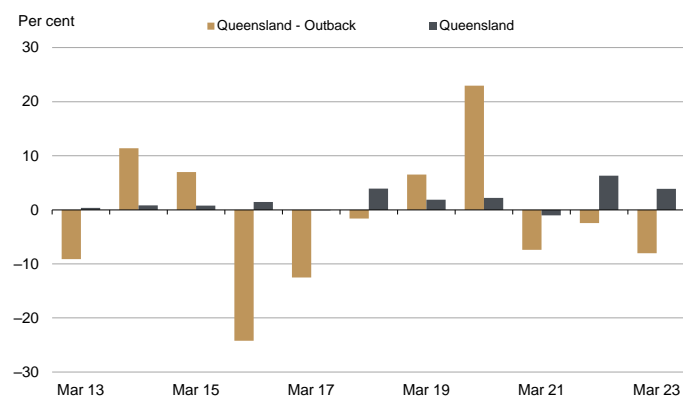
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

Data for Queensland as a whole are provided for reference purposes only.

The labour force statistics presented in this brief are on a sample basis and will include a sampling error.

Totals may differ due to rounding. Figures are rounded to nearest 100 persons. Calculations are based on pre-rounded figures.

**Figure 1 Annual change in employment, Queensland - Outback SA4**



**Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, March 2023**

