

# Regional labour force – Toowoomba SA4, Mar 23

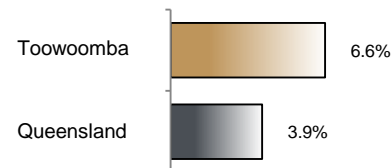
Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 20 April 2023, 11:30 am (AEST)

**Table 1 Labour force status, Toowoomba SA4**

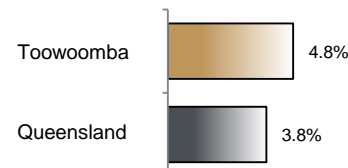
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Mar 22	Feb 23	Mar 23	persons	%
	— persons —				
Total employed	73,000	77,100	77,700	4,800	6.6
Total unemployed	4,000	4,000	3,900	-100	-3.5
Total labour force	77,000	81,000	81,600	4,700	6.0
Not in the labour force	54,700	53,700	53,400	-1,300	-2.4
Total persons 15+	131,700	134,700	135,000	3,300	2.5
Participation rate (%)	58.5	60.2	60.5	..	2.0 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	5.2	4.9	4.8	..	-0.5 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

**Employment growth, annual**



**Unemployment rate**



## Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 6.6%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 4.8%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↓ 0.5 ppt  
 Participation rate ..... 60.5%

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 Toowoomba SA4 in March 2023 was 77,700 persons, an increase of 4,800 employed persons, or 6.6% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Toowoomba SA4 in March 2023 was 4.8 per cent, a decrease of 0.5 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the sixth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Toowoomba SA4 in March 2023 was 60.5 per cent, an increase of 2.0 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

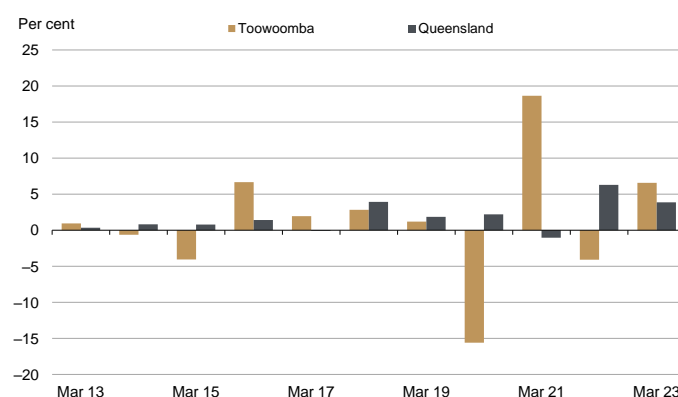
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

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, Toowoomba SA4**



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

