

Regional labour force – Townsville SA4, Apr 23

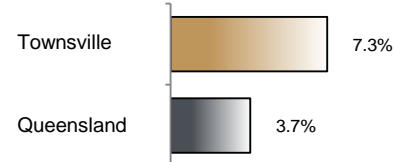
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Table 1 Labour force status, Townsville SA4

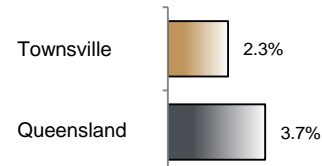
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Apr 22	Mar 23	Apr 23	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	122,900	131,300	131,800	8,900	7.3
Total unemployed	4,100	2,900	3,200	-900	-22.8
Total labour force	127,000	134,200	134,900	8,000	6.3
Not in the labour force	60,700	56,900	56,500	-4,100	-6.8
Total persons 15+	187,600	191,100	191,500	3,800	2.0
Participation rate (%)	67.7	70.2	70.5	..	2.8 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	3.2	2.2	2.3	..	-0.9 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 7.3%
 Unemployment rate 2.3%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 0.9 ppt
 Participation rate 70.5%

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 Townsville SA4 in April 2023 was 131,800 persons, an increase of 8,900 employed persons, or 7.3% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Townsville SA4 in April 2023 was 2.3 per cent, a decrease of 0.9 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the second-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Townsville SA4 in April 2023 was 70.5 per cent, an increase of 2.8 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, Townsville SA4

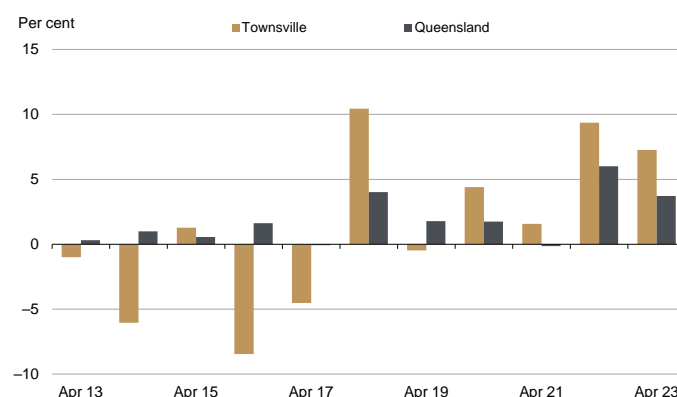


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, April 2023

