

Regional labour force – Toowoomba SA4, Oct 23

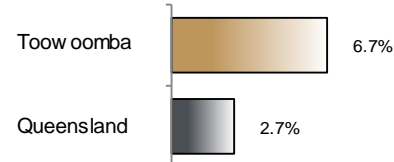
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Table 1 Labour force status, Toowoomba SA4

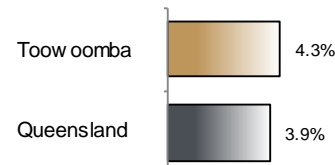
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Oct 22	Sep 23	Oct 23	persons	%
	— persons —				
Total employed	74,700	79,700	79,700	5,000	6.7
Total unemployed	4,000	3,600	3,600	-400	-10.9
Total labour force	78,700	83,300	83,300	4,500	5.8
Not in the labour force	54,900	54,300	54,700	-300	-0.5
Total persons 15+	133,700	137,600	137,900	4,300	3.2
Participation rate (%)	58.9	60.5	60.4	..	1.5 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	5.1	4.3	4.3	..	-0.8 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 6.7%
 Unemployment rate 4.3%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 0.8 ppt
 Participation rate..... 60.4%

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 October 2023 was 79,700 persons, an increase of 5,000 employed persons, or 6.7% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Toowoomba SA4 in October 2023 was 4.3 per cent, a decrease of 0.8 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the seventh-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Toowoomba SA4 in October 2023 was 60.4 per cent, an increase of 1.5 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

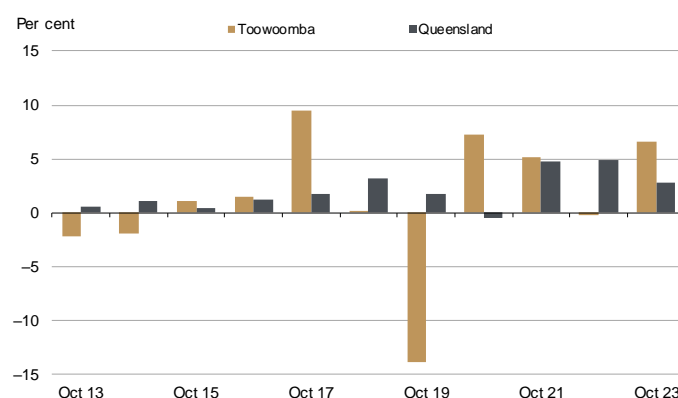


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, October 2023

