

Regional labour force – Townsville SA4, Mar 24

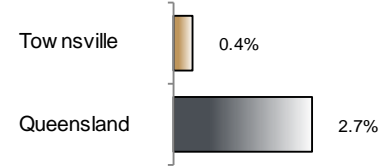
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Table 1 Labour force status, Townsville SA4

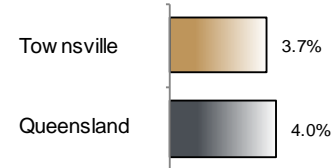
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Mar 23	Feb 24	Mar 24	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	130,600	131,900	131,100	500	0.4
Total unemployed	3,000	5,000	5,100	2,100	68.7
Total labour force	133,600	136,900	136,200	2,600	1.9
Not in the labour force	57,100	58,300	59,400	2,300	4.0
Total persons 15+	190,700	195,200	195,500	4,900	2.5
Participation rate (%)	70.1	70.1	69.6	..	-0.4 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	2.2	3.6	3.7	..	1.5 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 0.4%
 Unemployment rate 3.7%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↑ 1.5 ppt
 Participation rate..... 69.6%

ppt = percentage point

Main findings

Note: Due to the high standard errors associated with regional labour force direct survey estimates, 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 of direct survey estimates.

- The number of employed persons in Townsville SA4 in March 2024 was 131,100 persons, an increase of 500 employed persons, or 0.4% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Townsville SA4 in March 2024 was 3.7 per cent, an increase of 1.5 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the seventh-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Townsville SA4 in March 2024 was 69.6 per cent, a decrease of 0.4 percentage point 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

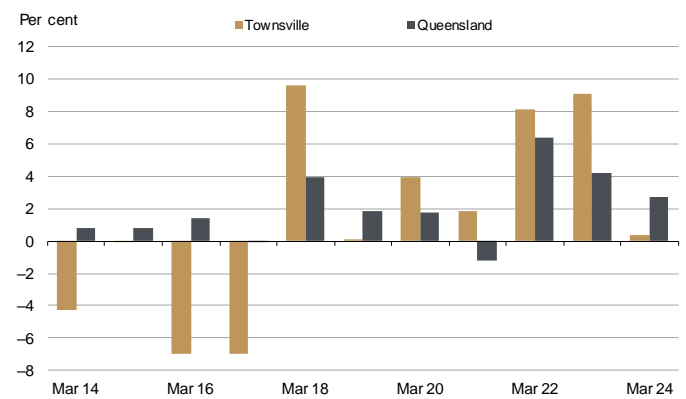


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, March 2024

