

Note: All data in this brief are based on a four quarter moving average.

Main Features

Employed persons by industryⁱ (annual % changeⁱⁱ):

Industry	Qld (%)	Aust (%)
Health Care and Social Assistance	6.7	4.1
Retail Trade	-4.9	-1.4
Construction	-2.9	-1.1
Manufacturing	-4.2	-3.6
Education and Training	3.6	0.3
Accommodation and Food Services	-5.4	-1.3
Public Administration and Safety	5.1	3.4
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	-1.2	3.4
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	-2.8	-3.0
Other Services	1.6	-0.2
Other ⁱⁱⁱ	5.6	2.4
Total	0.8	0.7

Commentary

- In the May reference month of June quarter 2012^{iv}, there were 2,332,162 employed persons in Queensland, which accounted for 20.4% of Australia's total employment.
- Over the year to June quarter 2012, of Queensland's top ten industries by number employed, the largest percentage increase in employment occurred in the *Health Care and Social Assistance* industry (up 6.7%). For Australia, within these industries, the *Health Care and Social Assistance* industry also had the largest percentage increase (up 4.1%).
- Over the year to June quarter 2012, of Queensland's top ten industries by number employed, the *Health Care and Social Assistance* industry recorded the largest contribution to the increase in employed persons in Queensland (0.8 percentage point). In comparison, the *Retail Trade* industry recorded the largest deduction in Queensland (-0.6 percentage point) (Figure 1).
- During June quarter 2012, the highest proportion of total employment in Queensland was recorded in the *Health Care and Social Assistance* industry (12.0%), which also had the highest proportion of total employment in Australia (11.8%) (Figure 2).
- During June quarter 2012, of Queensland's top ten industries, the highest proportion of unemployed persons was for persons previously employed in the *Construction* industry group (8.1%), followed by *Accommodation and Food Services* (7.6%) (Figure 3).

i Based on Queensland's top ten industries by number employed as at June quarter 2012.

ii Year to June quarter 2012 on year to June quarter 2011.

iii Other includes the following nine industries: Administrative and Support Services; Wholesale Trade; Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; Mining; Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services; Financial and Insurance Services; Arts and Recreation Services; Information Media and Telecommunications; and Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services.

iv Industry data are collected in the second month of each quarter, i.e. February, May, August and November.

Figure 1: Contribution to employment changes by industryⁱ, year to June quarter 2012

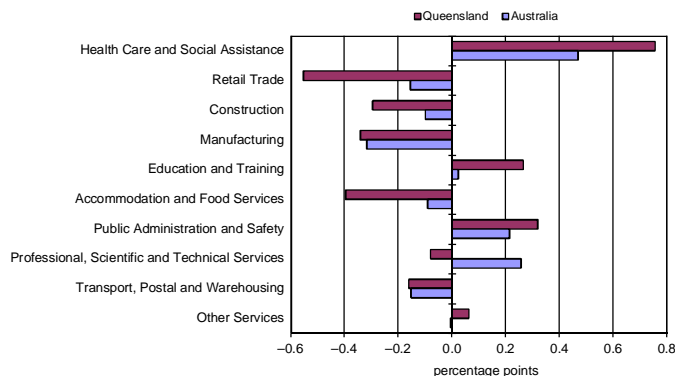


Figure 2: Proportion of employed persons by industryⁱ, June quarter 2012

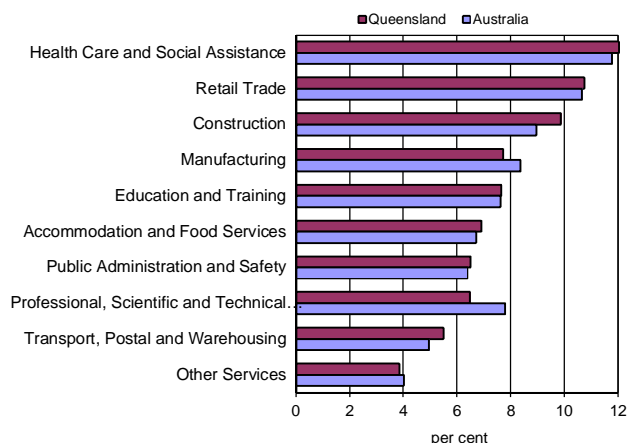
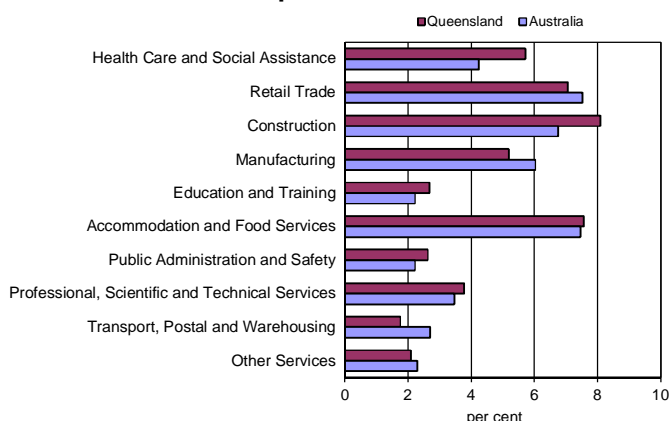


Figure 3: Proportion of unemployed persons by industryⁱ of employment of previous job, June quarter 2012



The labour force statistics presented in this brief are based on a sample and are subject to sampling error. As such these estimates will exhibit, in some cases, large volatility in quarterly changes. Extreme caution should be used when making inferences from these estimates.

Industry of employment was coded to the ABS 2006 Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC).