Labour Force – Far North Statistical Region, May 13

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Table 1: Labour force status, Far North Statistical Region

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<tr>
<th>Year ending</th>
<th>Employed, worked:</th>
<th>Unemployed, looking for:</th>
<th>Total</th>
<th>Participation rate (%)</th>
<th>Unemployment rate (%)</th>
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<td>Full-time</td>
<td>Part-time</td>
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<td>May-12</td>
<td>95,900</td>
<td>37,300</td>
<td>133,100</td>
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<td>Apr-13</td>
<td>98,400</td>
<td>39,200</td>
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<td>68.1</td>
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<td>May-13</td>
<td>98,500</td>
<td>39,700</td>
<td>138,200</td>
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Annual change:

- Full-time: 2,600 persons (2.7%)
- Part-time: 2,500 persons (6.6%)
- Total: 5,100 persons (3.8%)

Employment growth, annual:

- Far North: 3.8%
- Queensland: 0.3%

Unemployment rate:

- Far North: 8.3%
- Queensland: 5.9%

(a) Percentage point change.

Key data

Employment (annual change) ...................... ↑ 3.8%
Unemployment rate .................................. 8.3%
Unemployment rate (annual change) ........... ↓ 0.1 ppt
Participation rate .................................. 68.0%
ppt = percentage point

Main findings

Note: All data in this report are based on a 12-month moving average.

- The number of employed persons in Far North Statistical Region in May 2013 was 138,200 persons, an increase of 5,100 employed persons, or 3.8% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Far North Statistical Region in May 2013 was 8.3 per cent, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this region was the highest of all statistical regions within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Far North Statistical Region in May 2013 was 68.0 per cent, an increase of 1.1 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

Notes (Refer to website for more detailed notes):

Labour Force estimates from Jan-11 to Mar-13 have been revised.

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.

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