Labour Force – Far North Statistical Region, Aug 13

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Table 1: Labour force status, Far North Statistical Region

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<th>Year ending</th>
<th>Annual change</th>
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<td>Aug-12</td>
<td>Jul-13</td>
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<td><strong>Employed, worked:</strong></td>
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<td>Full-time</td>
<td>95,300</td>
<td>98,700</td>
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<td>Part-time</td>
<td>37,500</td>
<td>39,900</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>132,900</td>
<td>138,700</td>
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<td><strong>Unemployed, looking for:</strong></td>
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<td>Full-time work</td>
<td>11,500</td>
<td>10,400</td>
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<td>Part-time work</td>
<td>1,400</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>12,900</td>
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<td><strong>Total labour force</strong></td>
<td>145,800</td>
<td>151,100</td>
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<td><strong>Not in the labour force</strong></td>
<td>72,500</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>218,300</td>
<td>222,500</td>
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<td><strong>Participation rate (%)</strong></td>
<td>66.8</td>
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<td><strong>Unemployment rate (%)</strong></td>
<td>8.9</td>
<td>8.2</td>
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(a) Percentage point change.

Key data

Employment (annual change) .......................................................... ↑3.9%
Unemployment rate ................................................................. 8.0%
Unemployment rate (annual change) ........................................... ↓0.8 ppt
Participation rate ................................................................. 67.4%

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 August 2013 was 138,100 persons, an increase of 5,200 employed persons, or 3.9% over the year (Figure 1).

- The unemployment rate in Far North Statistical Region in August 2013 was 8.0 per cent, a decrease of 0.8 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this region was the second-highest of all statistical regions within Queensland (Figure 2).

- The participation rate in Far North Statistical Region in August 2013 was 67.4 per cent, an increase of 0.6 percentage point over the year (Table 1).

Notes (Refer to website for more detailed notes):

The response rate from the August 2013 survey was lower than the average, resulting in slightly more variability in estimates than other months.

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.