### Key data

Employment (annual change) .......... \(\downarrow 1.6\)%

Unemployment rate .............. \(5.5\)%

Unemployment rate (annual change) .......... \(\downarrow 0.8\) ppt

Participation rate ................. \(64.8\)%

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 Gold Coast Statistical Region in May 2013 was 301,200 persons, a decrease of 4,700 employed persons, or 1.6% over the year (Figure 1).

- The unemployment rate in Gold Coast Statistical Region in May 2013 was 5.5 per cent, a decrease of 0.8 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this region was the fifth-lowest of all statistical regions within Queensland (Figure 2).

- The participation rate in Gold Coast Statistical Region in May 2013 was 64.8 per cent, a decrease of 3.0 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

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### Table 1: Labour force status, Gold Coast Statistical Region

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<tr>
<th>Year ending</th>
<th>Employed, worked:</th>
<th>Unemployed, looking for:</th>
<th>Total labour force</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>
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<td>May-13</td>
<td>208,100</td>
<td>93,100</td>
<td>301,200</td>
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### Employment growth, annual

- Gold Coast: \(-1.6\)%
- Queensland: \(0.3\)%

### Unemployment rate

- Gold Coast: \(5.5\)%
- Queensland: \(5.9\)%

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