

# Regional labour force – Gold Coast SA4, Apr 18

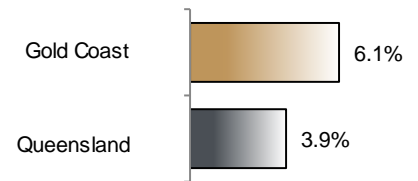
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**Table 1 Labour force status, Gold Coast SA4**

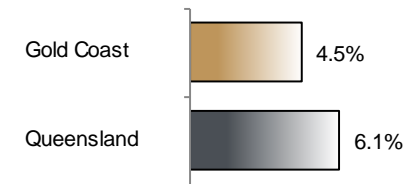
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Apr 17	Mar 18	Apr 18	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	307,800	325,200	326,500	18,600	6.1
Total unemployed	17,200	15,700	15,400	-1,700	-10.1
Total labour force	325,000	341,000	341,900	16,900	5.2
Not in the labour force	162,300	158,100	158,200	-4,100	-2.5
Total persons 15+	487,300	499,000	500,100	12,800	2.6
Participation rate (%)	66.7	68.3	68.4	..	1.7 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	5.3	4.6	4.5	..	-0.8 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

**Employment growth, annual**



**Unemployment rate**



## Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 6.1%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 4.5%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↓ 0.8 ppt  
 Participation rate..... 68.4%

ppt = percentage point

## Main findings

Note: All data in this brief are based on 12-month moving averages. This approach is supported by ABS advice on analysis of regional labour force estimates (see Table 16(b) of *Labour Force, Australia, Detailed* (cat. no. 6291.0.55.001)).

- The number of employed persons in Gold Coast SA4 in April 2018 was 326,500 persons, an increase of 18,600 employed persons, or 6.1% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Gold Coast SA4 in April 2018 was 4.5 per cent, a decrease of 0.8 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the fifth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Gold Coast SA4 in April 2018 was 68.4 per cent, an increase of 1.7 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2011 edition)

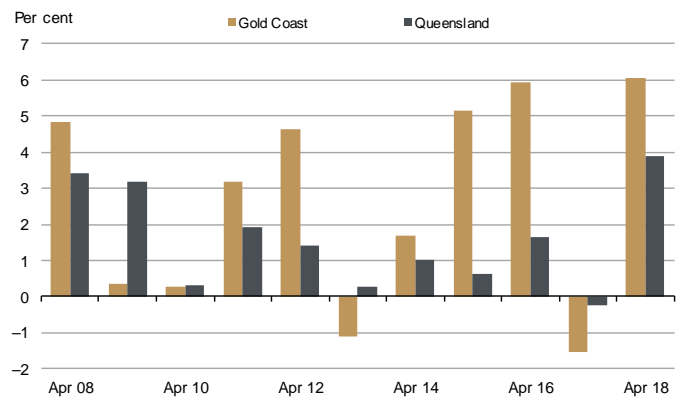
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

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, Gold Coast SA4**



**Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, April 2018**

