Regional labour force – Townsville SA4, Mar 18

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Table 1  Labour force status, Townsville SA4

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<th>Year ending</th>
<th>Annual change</th>
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<td>Mar 17</td>
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<td>Total employed</td>
<td>95,900</td>
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<td>Total unemployed</td>
<td>12,200</td>
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<td>Total labour force</td>
<td>108,200</td>
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<td>Not in the labour force</td>
<td>73,600</td>
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<td>Total persons 15+</td>
<td>181,800</td>
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<td>Participation rate (%)</td>
<td>59.5</td>
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<td>Unemployment rate (%)</td>
<td>11.3</td>
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(a) Percentage point change.

Key data

Employment (annual change) ......................... ↑ 11.2%
Unemployment rate .............................................. 8.5%
Unemployment rate (annual change) .............. ↓ 2.8 ppt
Participation rate................................................. 63.6%
ppt = percentage point

Main findings

- The number of employed persons in Townsville SA4 in March 2018 was 106,600 persons, an increase of 10,700 employed persons, or 11.2% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Townsville SA4 in March 2018 was 8.5 per cent, a decrease of 2.8 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the fourth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Townsville SA4 in March 2018 was 63.6 per cent, an increase of 4.1 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.

Employment growth, annual

- Townsville: 11.2%
- Queensland: 3.8%

Unemployment rate

- Townsville: 8.5%
- Queensland: 6.0%

Figure 1  Annual change in employment, Townsville SA4

Figure 2  Unemployment rate by SA4, March 2018