Labour Force – Wide Bay SA4, May 14

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<th>Table 1: Labour force status, Wide Bay SA4</th>
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<td>Year ending</td>
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<td>May-13          Apr-14          May-14          persons</td>
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| Full-time                  | 78,800        | 74,000    | 74,500   | -4,300   | -5.5
| Part-time                  | 38,900        | 35,300    | 34,100   | -4,800   | -12.4
| Total                      | 117,700       | 109,300   | 108,600  | -9,100   | -7.8
| Total unemployed            | 10,300        | 10,300    | 10,300   | 0        | -0.2
| Total labour force          | 128,000       | 119,600   | 118,900  | -9,100   | -7.1
| Not in the labour force     | 102,400       | 114,500   | 115,500  | 13,100   | 12.8
| Total persons 15+           | 230,500       | 234,000   | 234,400  | 4,000    | 1.7
| Participation rate (%)      | 55.6          | 51.1      | 50.7     | . .      | -4.8 (a)
| Unemployment rate (%)       | 8.1           | 8.6       | 8.7      | . .      | 0.6 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Key data

Employment (annual change)..........................ψ 7.8%
Unemployment rate ............................................. 8.7%
Unemployment rate (annual change) ...........↑ 0.6 ppt
Participation rate........................................... 50.7%

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 Wide Bay SA4 in May 2014 was 108,600 persons, a decrease of 9,100 employed persons, or 7.8% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Wide Bay SA4 in May 2014 was 8.7 per cent, an increase of 0.6 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the third-highest of all SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Wide Bay SA4 in May 2014 was 50.7 per cent, a decrease of 4.8 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.