

# Employment by industry, March quarter 2020

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## Key data

**Table 1 Employed persons by industry<sup>(a)</sup> (annual change<sup>(b)</sup>)**

Industry	Qld	Aus
	— % —	
Health care and social assistance	2.3	3.9
Construction	4.5	1.4
Retail trade	-4.8	-0.4
Education and training	0.4	6.6
Accommodation and food services	9.1	2.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	9.2	6.7
Manufacturing	-4.7	-2.2
Public administration and safety	-5.3	-0.1
Transport, postal and warehousing	0.4	2.0
Other services	8.5	2.5
Other <sup>(c)</sup>	4.3	1.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>2.3</b>

(a) Based on Queensland's top ten industries by number employed as at March quarter 2020.

(b) Year to March quarter 2020 on year to March quarter 2019.

(c) Other includes the following nine industries: Administrative and support services; Agriculture, forestry and fishing; Wholesale trade; Mining; Financial and insurance services; Arts and recreation services; Rental, hiring and real estate services; Information media and telecommunications; and Electricity, gas, water and waste services.

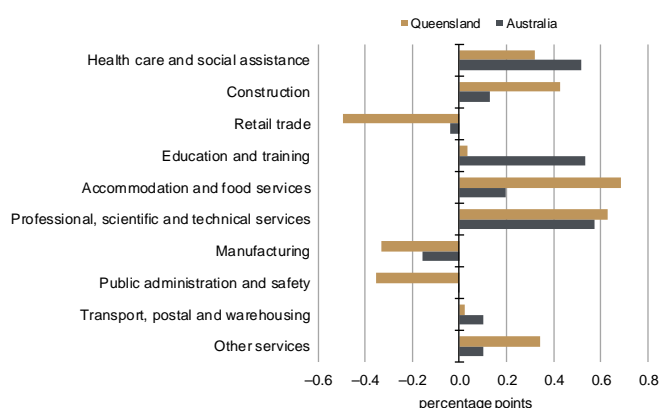
## Main findings

Note: Data in this brief are based on 4-quarter moving averages.

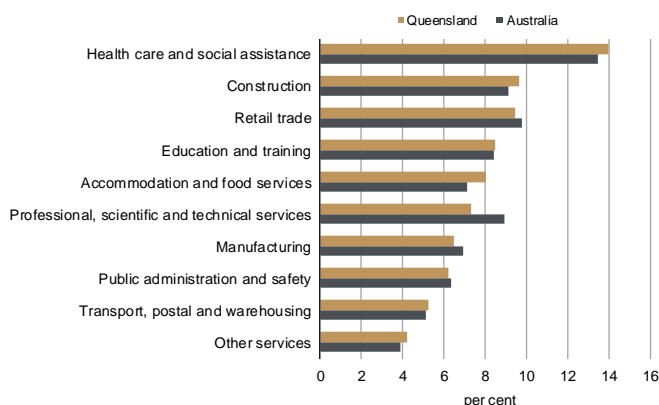
- In the February reference month of March quarter 2020, there were 2,549,298 employed persons in Queensland, which accounted for 19.7% of Australia's total employment.
- Over the year to March quarter 2020, of Queensland's top ten industries by number employed, the largest percentage increase in employment occurred in the *Professional, scientific and technical services* industry (up 9.2%). For Australia, within these ten industries, the *Professional, scientific and technical services* industry had the largest percentage increase (up 6.7%).
- Over the year to March quarter 2020, of Queensland's top ten industries by number employed, the *Accommodation and food services* industry recorded the largest contribution to the increase in employed persons in Queensland (0.7 percentage point). In comparison, the *Retail trade* industry recorded the largest detraction in Queensland (-0.5 percentage point) (Figure 1).

- During March quarter 2020, the highest percentage of total employment in Queensland was recorded in the *Health care and social assistance* industry (14.0%). The highest percentage of total employment in Australia was also in *Health care and social assistance* (13.5%) (Figure 2).

**Figure 1 Contribution to employment changes by industry, year to March quarter 2020**



**Figure 2 Percentage of employed persons by industry of employment, March quarter 2020**



### Notes

The labour force statistics presented in this brief are based on a sample and are subject to sampling error. As such these estimates will exhibit, in some cases, large volatility in quarterly changes. Extreme caution should be used when making inferences from these estimates.

Industry of employment was coded to the ABS 2006 Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC).