

Employment by industry, March quarter 2024

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Key data

Table 1 Employed persons by industry^(a) (annual change^(b))

Industry	Qld	Aus
	— % —	
Health care and social assistance	-0.5	6.0
Construction	9.9	4.4
Retail trade	-6.0	-0.2
Education and training	1.9	3.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	9.0	4.3
Accommodation and food services	-0.0	-1.6
Public administration and safety	8.6	6.0
Manufacturing	2.1	7.2
Transport, postal and warehousing	15.2	4.2
Other services	1.0	0.2
Other ^(c)	2.6	1.6
Total	3.0	3.3

(a) Based on Queensland's top ten industries by number employed as at March quarter 2024.

(b) Year to March quarter 2024 on year to March quarter 2023.

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

Main findings

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

- In the February reference month of March quarter 2024, there were 2,875,012 employed persons in Queensland, which accounted for 20.3% of Australia's total employment.
- Over the year to March quarter 2024, of Queensland's top ten industries by number employed, the largest percentage increase in employment occurred in the *Transport, postal and warehousing* industry (up 15.2%). For Australia, within these ten industries, the *Manufacturing* industry had the largest percentage increase (up 7.2%).
- Over the year to March quarter 2024, of Queensland's top ten industries by number employed, the *Construction* industry recorded the largest contribution to employment changes in Queensland (0.9 percentage point). In comparison, the *Retail trade* industry recorded the largest deduction in Queensland (-0.6 percentage point) (Figure 1).

- During March quarter 2024, the highest percentage of total employment in Queensland was recorded in the *Health care and social assistance* industry (15.8%). The highest percentage of total employment in Australia was also in *Health care and social assistance* (15.5%) (Figure 2).

Figure 1 Contribution to employment changes by industry, year to March quarter 2024

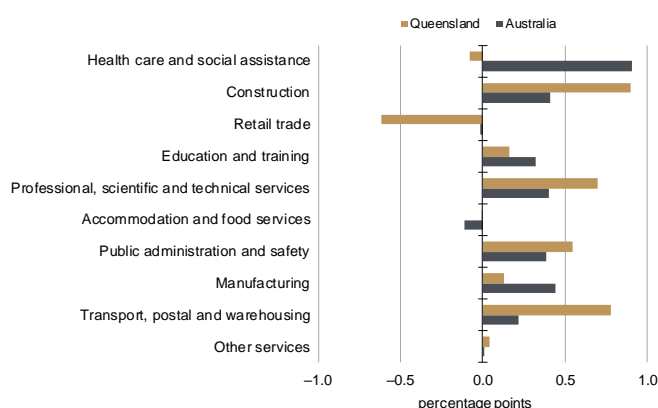
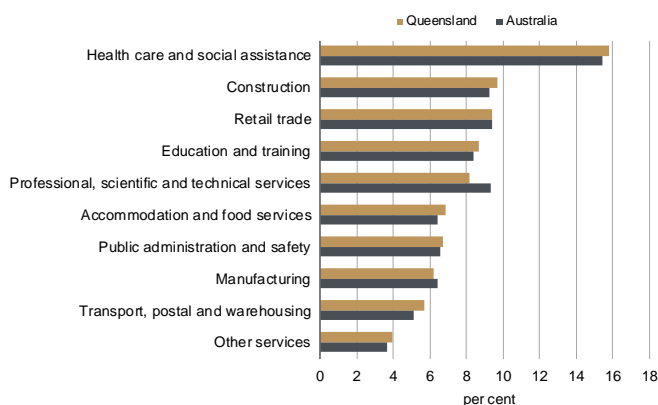


Figure 2 Percentage of employed persons by industry of employment, March quarter 2024



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).