

Employment by industry, March quarter 2025

Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 27 March 2025, 10:30 am (AEST)

Key data

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

| Industry | Qld | Aus |
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| | — % — | |
| Health care and social assistance | 3.3 | 3.5 |
| Retail trade | 9.4 | 0.3 |
| Construction | 1.4 | 2.8 |
| Education and training | -1.9 | 5.2 |
| Accommodation and food services | 11.4 | 5.0 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | -7.0 | -2.3 |
| Public administration and safety | 4.8 | 3.8 |
| Manufacturing | -0.1 | -3.1 |
| Transport, postal and warehousing | -4.9 | 0.2 |
| Other services | 2.1 | 2.6 |
| Other ^(c) | 6.9 | 2.2 |
| Total | 3.0 | 2.0 |

(a) Based on Queensland's top ten industries by number employed as at March quarter 2025.

(b) Year to March quarter 2025 on year to March quarter 2024.

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

Main findings

Note: Data in this brief are based on 4-quarter moving averages and are derived by the QGSO.

- In the February reference month of March quarter 2025, there were 2,962,751 employed persons in Queensland, which accounted for 20.5% of Australia's total employment.
- Over the year to March quarter 2025, of Queensland's top ten industries by number employed, the largest percentage increase in employment occurred in the *Accommodation and food services* industry (11.4%). For Australia, within these ten industries, the *Education and training* industry had the largest percentage increase (5.2%).
- Over the year to March quarter 2025, of Queensland's top ten industries by number employed, the *Retail trade* industry recorded the largest contribution to employment changes in Queensland (0.9 of a percentage point). In comparison, the *Professional, scientific and technical services* industry recorded the largest detraction in Queensland (0.6 of a percentage point) (Figure 1).
- During March quarter 2025, the highest percentage of total employment in Queensland was recorded in the *Health care and social assistance* industry (15.9%). The highest percentage of total employment in Australia was also in *Health care and social assistance* (15.7%) (Figure 2).

Figure 1 Contribution to employment changes by industry, year to March quarter 2025

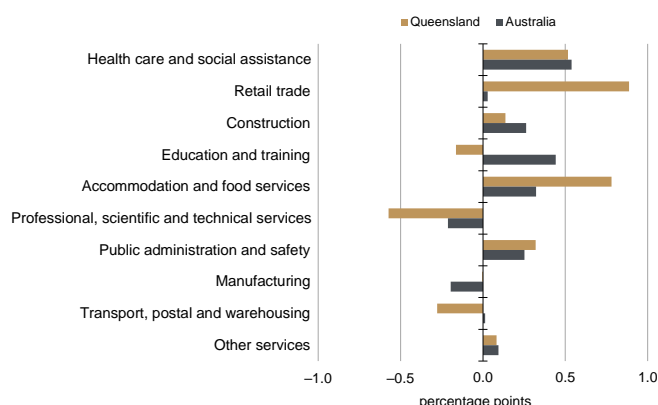
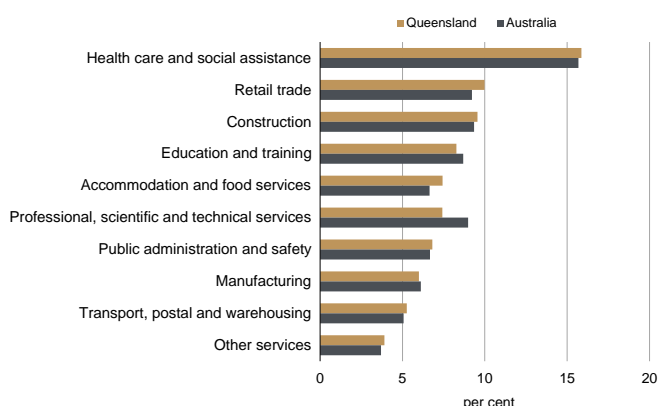


Figure 2 Percentage of employed persons by industry of employment, March quarter 2025



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).