

Regional labour force – Cairns SA4, Dec 19

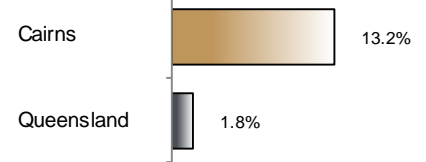
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Table 1 Labour force status, Cairns SA4

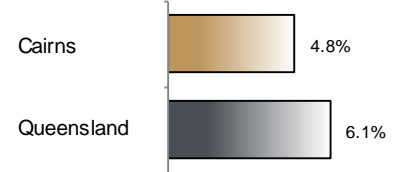
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Dec 18	Nov 19	Dec 19	persons	%
	— persons —				
Total employed	115,500	130,100	130,700	15,300	13.2
Total unemployed	7,700	6,500	6,600	-1,000	-13.4
Total labour force	123,100	136,600	137,300	14,200	11.6
Not in the labour force	78,000	66,600	66,100	-12,000	-15.3
Total persons 15+	201,100	203,200	203,400	2,300	1.1
Participation rate (%)	61.2	67.2	67.5	..	6.3 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	6.2	4.8	4.8	..	-1.4 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 13.2%
 Unemployment rate 4.8%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 1.4 ppt
 Participation rate 67.5%

ppt = percentage point

Main findings

Note: All data in this brief are based on 12-month moving averages. This approach is supported by ABS advice on analysis of regional labour force estimates (see Table 16(b) of *Labour Force, Australia, Detailed* (cat. no. 6291.0.55.001)).

- The number of employed persons in Cairns SA4 in December 2019 was 130,700 persons, an increase of 15,300 employed persons, or 13.2% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Cairns SA4 in December 2019 was 4.8 per cent, a decrease of 1.4 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the fifth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Cairns SA4 in December 2019 was 67.5 per cent, an increase of 6.3 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 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.

Figure 1 Annual change in employment, Cairns SA4

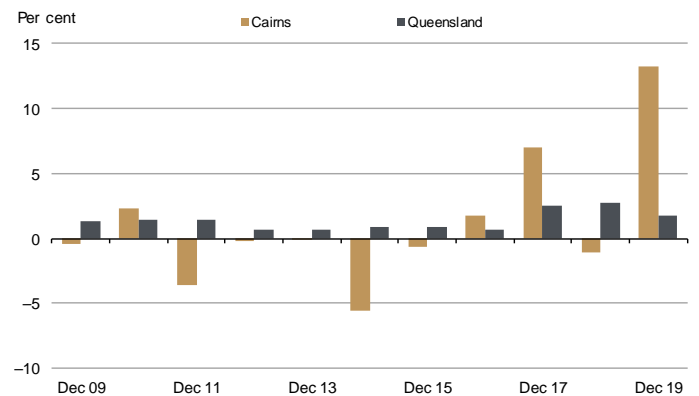


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, December 2019

