

# Regional labour force – Toowoomba SA4, Dec 19

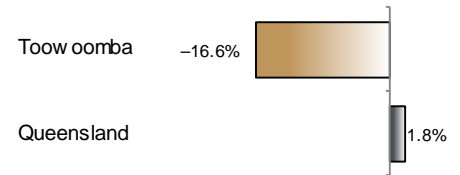
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**Table 1 Labour force status, Toowoomba SA4**

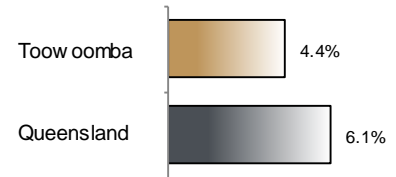
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Dec 18	Nov 19	Dec 19	persons	%
	— persons —				
Total employed	76,200	64,100	63,600	-12,600	-16.6
Total unemployed	4,800	3,100	2,900	-1,800	-38.7
Total labour force	81,000	67,200	66,500	-14,500	-17.9
Not in the labour force	43,400	58,800	59,700	16,300	37.5
Total persons 15+	124,400	126,100	126,200	1,800	1.4
Participation rate (%)	65.1	53.3	52.7	..	-12.4 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	5.9	4.7	4.4	..	-1.5 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

**Employment growth, annual**



**Unemployment rate**



## Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↓ 16.6%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 4.4%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↓ 1.5 ppt  
 Participation rate ..... 52.7%

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 Toowoomba SA4 in December 2019 was 63,600 persons, a decrease of 12,600 employed persons, or 16.6% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Toowoomba SA4 in December 2019 was 4.4 per cent, a decrease of 1.5 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the fourth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Toowoomba SA4 in December 2019 was 52.7 per cent, a decrease of 12.4 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

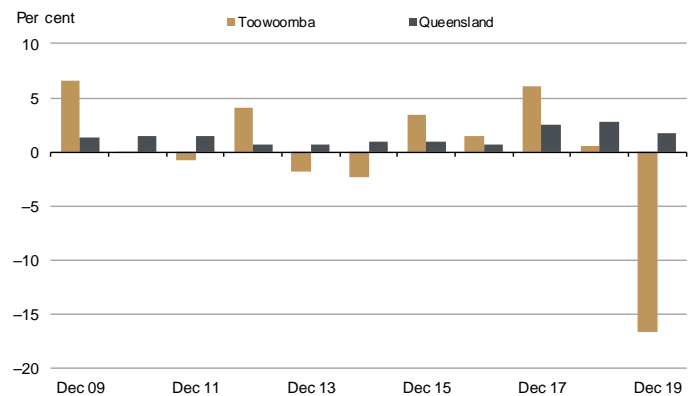
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

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, Toowoomba SA4**



**Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, December 2019**

