

Regional labour force – Cairns SA4, Jan 20

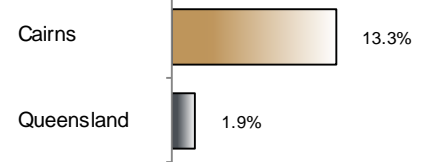
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Table 1 Labour force status, Cairns SA4

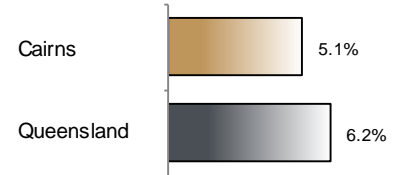
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Jan 19	Dec 19	Jan 20	persons	%
	— persons —				
Total employed	116,200	130,700	131,700	15,400	13.3
Total unemployed	7,100	6,600	7,100	0	0.5
Total labour force	123,300	137,300	138,800	15,500	12.5
Not in the labour force	78,000	66,100	64,800	-13,200	-16.9
Total persons 15+	201,300	203,400	203,600	2,300	1.1
Participation rate (%)	61.3	67.5	68.2	..	6.9 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	5.8	4.8	5.1	..	-0.6 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 13.3%
 Unemployment rate 5.1%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 0.6 ppt
 Participation rate 68.2%

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 January 2020 was 131,700 persons, an increase of 15,400 employed persons, or 13.3% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Cairns SA4 in January 2020 was 5.1 per cent, a decrease of 0.6 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the sixth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Cairns SA4 in January 2020 was 68.2 per cent, an increase of 6.9 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

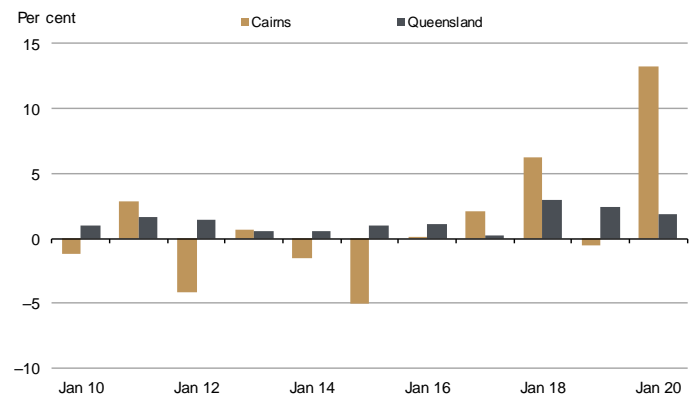


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, January 2020

