

Regional labour force – Sunshine Coast SA4, Feb 20

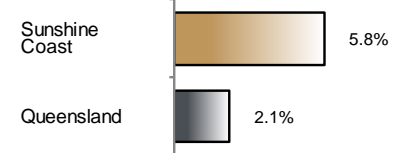
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Table 1 Labour force status, Sunshine Coast SA4

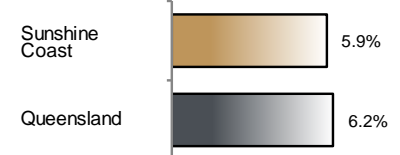
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Feb 19	Jan 20	Feb 20	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	179,600	189,700	190,000	10,300	5.8
Total unemployed	12,100	12,100	11,900	-200	-1.6
Total labour force	191,800	201,800	201,900	10,100	5.3
Not in the labour force	117,600	115,300	115,900	-1,700	-1.4
Total persons 15+	309,300	317,100	317,800	8,500	2.7
Participation rate (%)	62.0	63.6	63.5	..	1.5 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	6.3	6.0	5.9	..	-0.4 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 5.8%
 Unemployment rate 5.9%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 0.4 ppt
 Participation rate..... 63.5%

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 Sunshine Coast SA4 in February 2020 was 190,000 persons, an increase of 10,300 employed persons, or 5.8% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Sunshine Coast SA4 in February 2020 was 5.9 per cent, a decrease of 0.4 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the tenth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Sunshine Coast SA4 in February 2020 was 63.5 per cent, an increase of 1.5 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, Sunshine Coast SA4

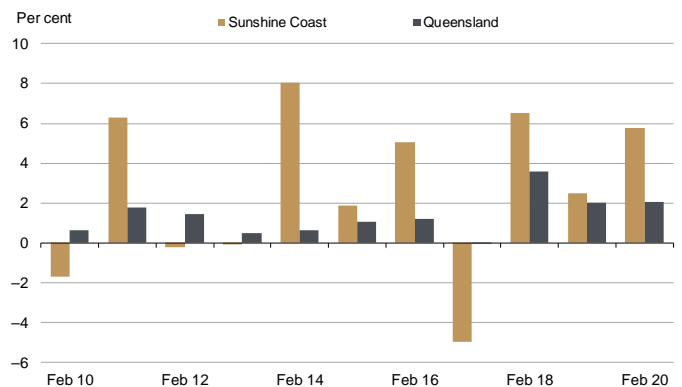


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, February 2020

