

Regional labour force – Townsville SA4, Feb 20

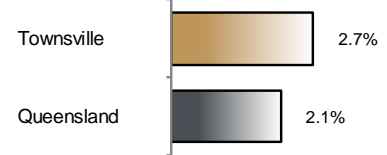
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Table 1 Labour force status, Townsville SA4

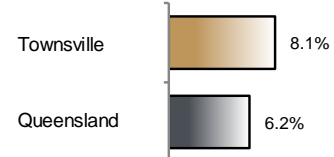
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Feb 19	Jan 20	Feb 20	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	107,100	109,400	110,000	2,900	2.7
Total unemployed	9,300	9,400	9,600	400	4.2
Total labour force	116,400	118,900	119,700	3,300	2.8
Not in the labour force	67,600	66,500	65,800	-1,800	-2.7
Total persons 15+	184,000	185,400	185,500	1,500	0.8
Participation rate (%)	63.2	64.1	64.5	..	1.3 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	8.0	7.9	8.1	..	0.1 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 2.7%
 Unemployment rate 8.1%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↑ 0.1 ppt
 Participation rate..... 64.5%

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 Townsville SA4 in February 2020 was 110,000 persons, an increase of 2,900 employed persons, or 2.7% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Townsville SA4 in February 2020 was 8.1 per cent, an increase of 0.1 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the fourth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Townsville SA4 in February 2020 was 64.5 per cent, an increase of 1.3 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, Townsville SA4

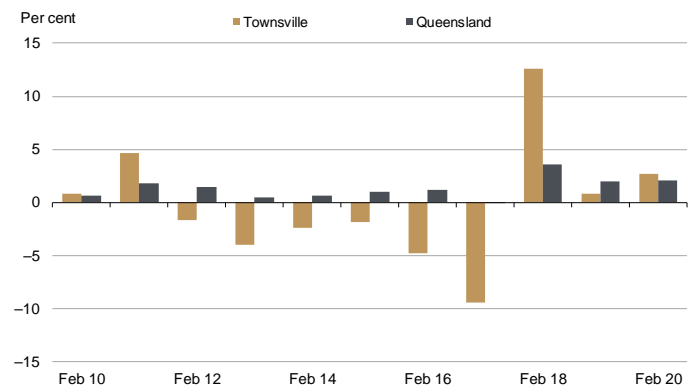


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, February 2020

