

Regional labour force – Cairns SA4, Mar 20

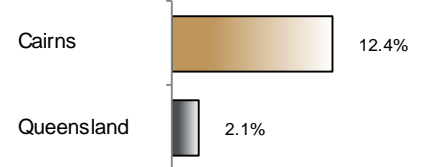
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Table 1 Labour force status, Cairns SA4

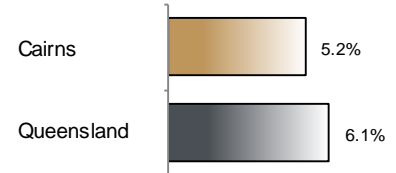
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Mar 19	Feb 20	Mar 20	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	118,700	132,600	133,400	14,700	12.4
Total unemployed	6,600	7,200	7,300	700	11.2
Total labour force	125,300	139,700	140,700	15,400	12.3
Not in the labour force	76,300	64,000	63,100	-13,200	-17.2
Total persons 15+	201,600	203,700	203,900	2,300	1.1
Participation rate (%)	62.2	68.6	69.0	..	6.9 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	5.3	5.1	5.2	..	-0.1 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 12.4%
 Unemployment rate 5.2%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 0.1 ppt
 Participation rate 69.0%

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 March 2020 was 133,400 persons, an increase of 14,700 employed persons, or 12.4% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Cairns SA4 in March 2020 was 5.2 per cent, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point 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 March 2020 was 69.0 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

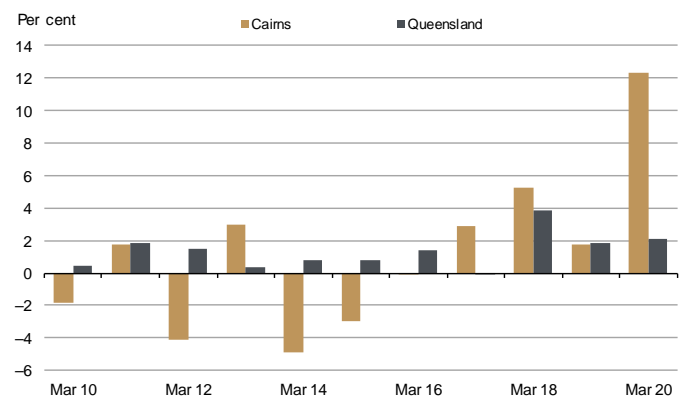


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, March 2020

