

Regional labour force – Townsville SA4, Mar 20

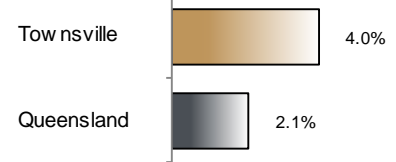
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Table 1 Labour force status, Townsville SA4

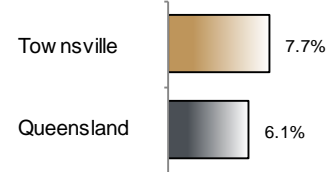
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Mar 19	Feb 20	Mar 20	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	106,900	110,000	111,200	4,300	4.0
Total unemployed	9,100	9,600	9,200	100	1.6
Total labour force	116,000	119,700	120,400	4,400	3.8
Not in the labour force	68,100	65,800	65,100	-2,900	-4.3
Total persons 15+	184,100	185,500	185,500	1,500	0.8
Participation rate (%)	63.0	64.5	64.9	..	1.9 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	7.8	8.1	7.7	..	-0.2 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 4.0%
 Unemployment rate 7.7%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 0.2 ppt
 Participation rate 64.9%

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 March 2020 was 111,200 persons, an increase of 4,300 employed persons, or 4.0% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Townsville SA4 in March 2020 was 7.7 per cent, a decrease of 0.2 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the sixth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Townsville SA4 in March 2020 was 64.9 per cent, an increase of 1.9 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, Townsville SA4

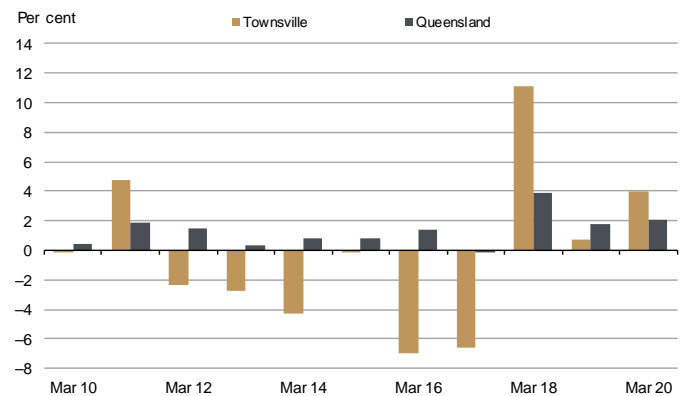


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, March 2020

