

Regional labour force – Moreton Bay - North SA4, May 20

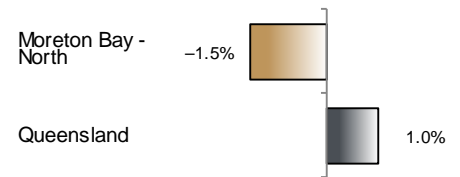
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Table 1 Labour force status, Moreton Bay - North SA4

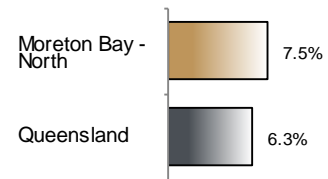
	Year ending			Annual change	
	May 19	Apr 20	May 20	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	106,200	103,800	104,600	-1,600	-1.5
Total unemployed	10,900	8,500	8,400	-2,500	-22.6
Total labour force	117,100	112,300	113,000	-4,000	-3.5
Not in the labour force	87,600	95,900	95,400	7,800	8.9
Total persons 15+	204,700	208,200	208,500	3,700	1.8
Participation rate (%)	57.2	53.9	54.2	..	-3.0 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	9.3	7.6	7.5	..	-1.8 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↓ 1.5%
 Unemployment rate 7.5%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 1.8 ppt
 Participation rate 54.2%

ppt = percentage point

Main findings

Note: Due to the high standard errors associated with regional labour force survey data, the ABS and QGSO recommend using 12-month averages to reduce the volatility of the underlying original data. This volatility means it can be difficult to detect real world phenomena, such as those caused by the social distancing measures introduced to combat COVID-19, in the data. **As a result, it is not recommended regional labour force data be used to assess the impact of COVID-19.**

- The number of employed persons in Moreton Bay - North SA4 in May 2020 was 104,600 persons, a decrease of 1,600 employed persons, or 1.5% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Moreton Bay - North SA4 in May 2020 was 7.5 per cent, a decrease of 1.8 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the fifth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Moreton Bay - North SA4 in May 2020 was 54.2 per cent, a decrease of 3.0 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, Moreton Bay - North SA4

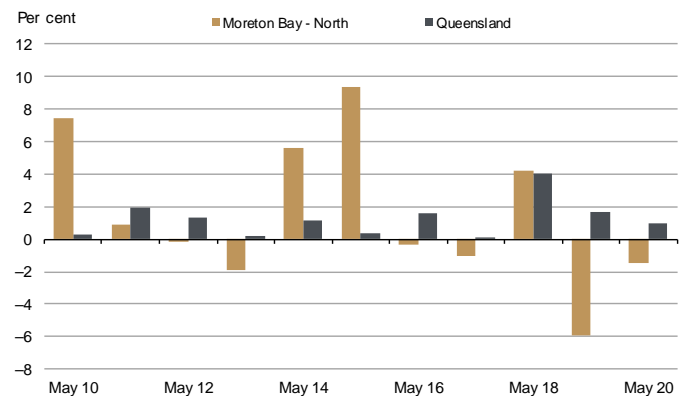


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, May 2020

