

Regional labour force – Brisbane - East SA4, Sep 20

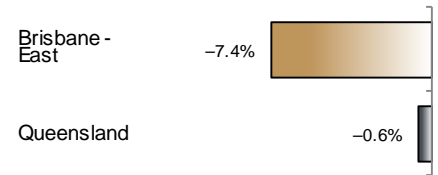
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Table 1 Labour force status, Brisbane - East SA4

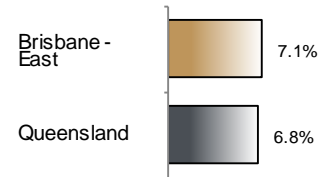
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Sep 19	Aug 20	Sep 20	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	130,800	122,300	121,100	-9,700	-7.4
Total unemployed	6,400	8,600	9,200	2,800	43.6
Total labour force	137,200	130,900	130,300	-6,900	-5.0
Not in the labour force	56,100	64,900	65,600	9,500	17.0
Total persons 15+	193,300	195,700	195,900	2,600	1.4
Participation rate (%)	71.0	66.9	66.5	..	-4.5 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	4.7	6.6	7.1	..	2.4 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↓ 7.4%
 Unemployment rate 7.1%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↑ 2.4 ppt
 Participation rate 66.5%

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.** All data in this brief are based on 12-month moving averages.

- The number of employed persons in Brisbane - East SA4 in September 2020 was 121,100 persons, a decrease of 9,700 employed persons, or 7.4% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Brisbane - East SA4 in September 2020 was 7.1 per cent, an increase of 2.4 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the eighth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Brisbane - East SA4 in September 2020 was 66.5 per cent, a decrease of 4.5 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, Brisbane - East SA4

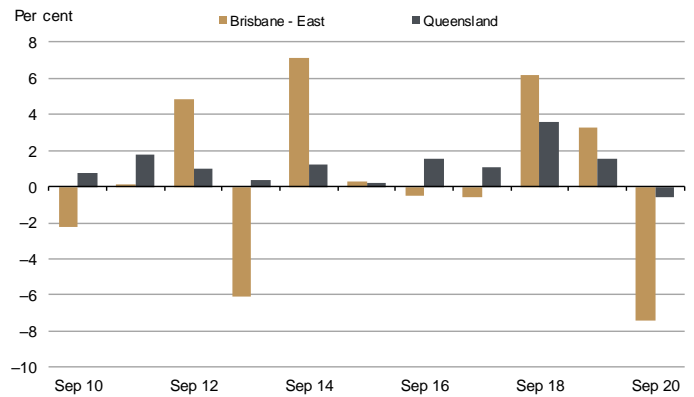


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, September 2020

