Regional labour force – Gold Coast SA4, Dec 20
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Table 1  Labour force status, Gold Coast SA4

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<th>Year ending</th>
<th>Total employed — persons —</th>
<th>Total unemployed — persons —</th>
<th>Total labour force — persons —</th>
<th>Not in the labour force — persons —</th>
<th>Total persons 15+ — persons —</th>
<th>Participation rate (%)</th>
<th>Unemployment rate (%)</th>
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<td>Dec 19</td>
<td>339,300</td>
<td>20,500</td>
<td>359,800</td>
<td>160,900</td>
<td>520,700</td>
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<td>Nov 20</td>
<td>325,000</td>
<td>23,600</td>
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<td>182,600</td>
<td>531,300</td>
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<td>Dec 20</td>
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<td>24,100</td>
<td>350,400</td>
<td>181,700</td>
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Annual change

- Total employed: -13,000 persons, -3.8%
- Total unemployed: -3,600 persons, -17.5%
- Total labour force: -9,400 persons, -2.6%
- Not in the labour force: 11,400 persons, 12.9%
- Total persons 15+: 3,600 persons, 12.9%

(a) Percentage point change.

Key data

- Employment (annual change) ................. 3.8%
- Unemployment rate ..................................... 6.9%
- Unemployment rate (annual change) .......... 1.2 ppt
- Participation rate ................................. 65.9%

ppt = percentage point

Main findings

- The number of employed persons in Gold Coast SA4 in December 2020 was 326,300 persons, a decrease of 13,000 employed persons, or 3.8% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Gold Coast SA4 in December 2020 was 6.9 per cent, an increase of 1.2 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 Gold Coast SA4 in December 2020 was 65.9 per cent, a decrease of 3.2 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.

Employment growth, annual

- Gold Coast: -3.8%
- Queensland: -0.8%

Unemployment rate

- Gold Coast: 6.9%
- Queensland: 7.1%

Figure 1  Annual change in employment, Gold Coast SA4

Figure 2  Unemployment rate by SA4, December 2020