

Regional labour force – Brisbane - West SA4, May 21

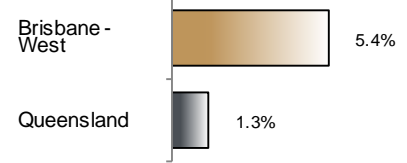
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Table 1 Labour force status, Brisbane - West SA4

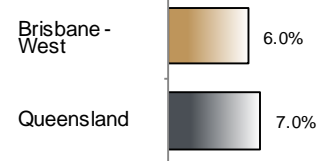
	Year ending			Annual change	
	May 20	Apr 21	May 21	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	94,700	98,900	99,900	5,200	5.4
Total unemployed	6,200	6,500	6,400	200	3.9
Total labour force	100,900	105,300	106,300	5,400	5.3
Not in the labour force	55,200	51,700	50,800	-4,300	-7.8
Total persons 15+	156,000	157,100	157,100	1,100	0.7
Participation rate (%)	64.6	67.1	67.6	..	3.0 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	6.1	6.1	6.0	..	-0.1 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 5.4%
 Unemployment rate 6.0%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 0.1 ppt
 Participation rate 67.6%

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 - West SA4 in May 2021 was 99,900 persons, an increase of 5,200 employed persons, or 5.4% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Brisbane - West SA4 in May 2021 was 6.0 per cent, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the eighth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Brisbane - West SA4 in May 2021 was 67.6 per cent, an increase 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, Brisbane - West SA4

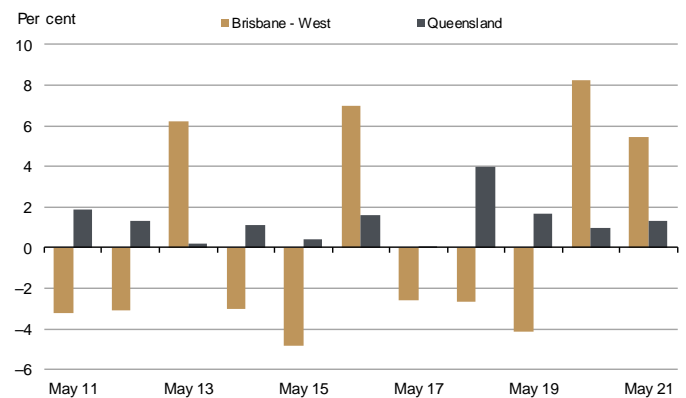


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, May 2021

