

Regional labour force – Sunshine Coast SA4, Aug 23

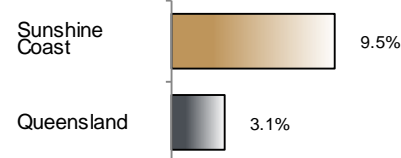
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Table 1 Labour force status, Sunshine Coast SA4

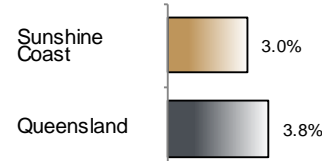
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Aug 22	Jul 23	Aug 23	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	197,200	213,600	216,000	18,800	9.5
Total unemployed	6,000	6,300	6,700	700	11.9
Total labour force	203,200	220,000	222,700	19,500	9.6
Not in the labour force	138,600	134,200	132,800	-5,800	-4.2
Total persons 15+	341,800	354,200	355,400	13,600	4.0
Participation rate (%)	59.5	62.1	62.6	..	3.2 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	3.0	2.9	3.0	..	0.1 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 9.5%
 Unemployment rate 3.0%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↑ 0.1 ppt
 Participation rate..... 62.6%

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.

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

- The number of employed persons in Sunshine Coast SA4 in August 2023 was 216,000 persons, an increase of 18,800 employed persons, or 9.5% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Sunshine Coast SA4 in August 2023 was 3.0 per cent, an increase of 0.1 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the third-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Sunshine Coast SA4 in August 2023 was 62.6 per cent, an increase 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.

Figure 1 Annual change in employment, Sunshine Coast SA4

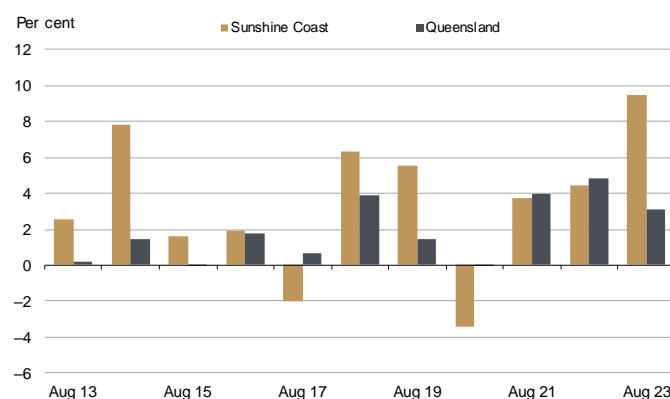


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, August 2023

