

Regional labour force – Sunshine Coast SA4, Dec 23

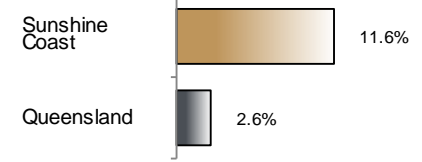
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Table 1 Labour force status, Sunshine Coast SA4

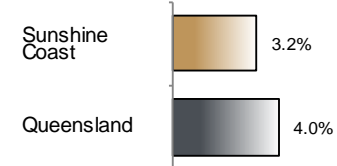
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Dec 22	Nov 23	Dec 23	persons	%
	— persons —				
Total employed	198,700	219,300	221,800	23,100	11.6
Total unemployed	5,400	7,100	7,300	1,900	35.4
Total labour force	204,100	226,400	229,000	25,000	12.2
Not in the labour force	138,300	125,800	124,100	-14,100	-10.2
Total persons 15+	342,400	352,200	353,200	10,800	3.2
Participation rate (%)	59.6	64.3	64.9	..	5.2 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	2.6	3.1	3.2	..	0.5 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 11.6%
 Unemployment rate 3.2%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↑ 0.5 ppt
 Participation rate..... 64.9%

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 December 2023 was 221,800 persons, an increase of 23,100 employed persons, or 11.6% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Sunshine Coast SA4 in December 2023 was 3.2 per cent, an increase of 0.5 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 December 2023 was 64.9 per cent, an increase of 5.2 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

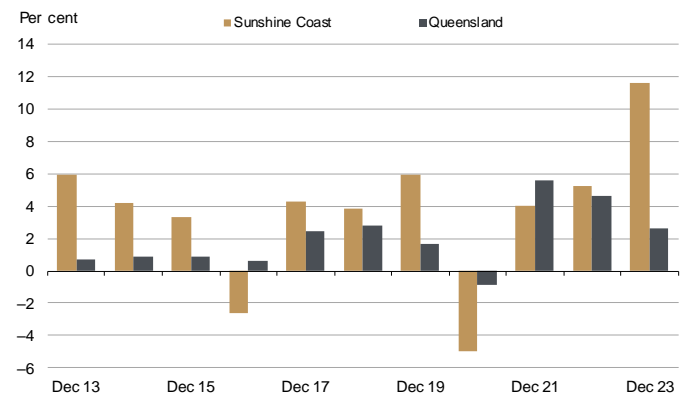


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, December 2023

