

Regional labour force – Queensland - Outback SA4, Jan 24

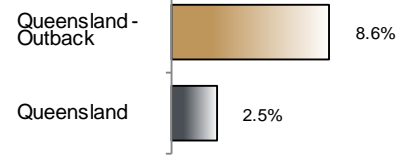
Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 22 February 2024, 10:30 am (AEST)

Table 1 Labour force status, Queensland - Outback SA4

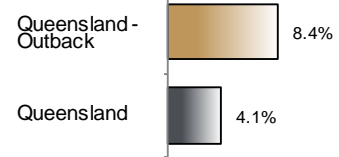
| | Year ending | | | Annual change | |
|-------------------------|-------------|--------|--------|---------------|----------|
| | Jan 23 | Dec 23 | Jan 24 | persons | % |
| | — persons — | | | persons | % |
| Total employed | 34,600 | 37,300 | 37,600 | 3,000 | 8.6 |
| Total unemployed | 4,400 | 3,300 | 3,400 | -900 | -21.3 |
| Total labour force | 39,000 | 40,600 | 41,000 | 2,000 | 5.3 |
| Not in the labour force | 24,500 | 23,600 | 23,200 | -1,300 | -5.3 |
| Total persons 15+ | 63,500 | 64,200 | 64,200 | 700 | 1.2 |
| Participation rate (%) | 61.4 | 63.3 | 63.9 | .. | 2.5 (a) |
| Unemployment rate (%) | 11.2 | 8.2 | 8.4 | .. | -2.8 (a) |

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 8.6%
 Unemployment rate 8.4%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 2.8 ppt
 Participation rate..... 63.9%

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 Queensland - Outback SA4 in January 2024 was 37,600 persons, an increase of 3,000 employed persons, or 8.6% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Queensland - Outback SA4 in January 2024 was 8.4 per cent, a decrease of 2.8 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Queensland - Outback SA4 in January 2024 was 63.9 per cent, an increase of 2.5 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, Queensland - Outback SA4

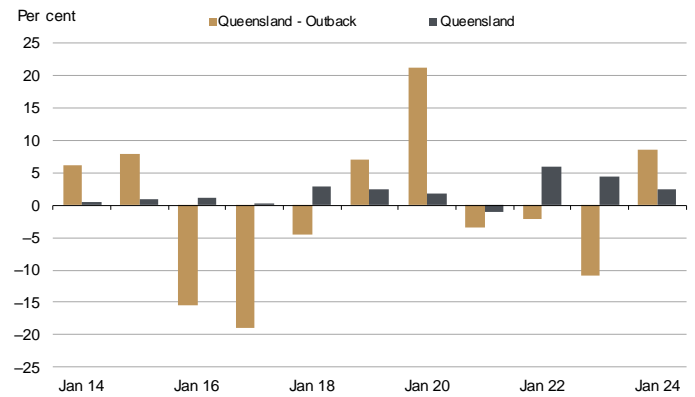


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, January 2024

