

Regional labour force – Sunshine Coast SA4, Jan 24

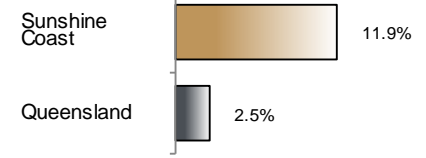
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Table 1 Labour force status, Sunshine Coast SA4

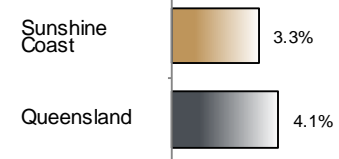
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Jan 23	Dec 23	Jan 24	persons	%
	— persons —				
Total employed	199,500	221,800	223,200	23,700	11.9
Total unemployed	5,500	7,300	7,700	2,200	40.2
Total labour force	205,000	229,000	230,900	25,900	12.6
Not in the labour force	138,200	124,100	123,200	-14,900	-10.8
Total persons 15+	343,200	353,200	354,100	10,900	3.2
Participation rate (%)	59.7	64.9	65.2	..	5.5 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	2.7	3.2	3.3	..	0.7 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 11.9%
 Unemployment rate 3.3%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↑ 0.7 ppt
 Participation rate..... 65.2%

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 January 2024 was 223,200 persons, an increase of 23,700 employed persons, or 11.9% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Sunshine Coast SA4 in January 2024 was 3.3 per cent, an increase of 0.7 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 January 2024 was 65.2 per cent, an increase of 5.5 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, Sunshine Coast SA4

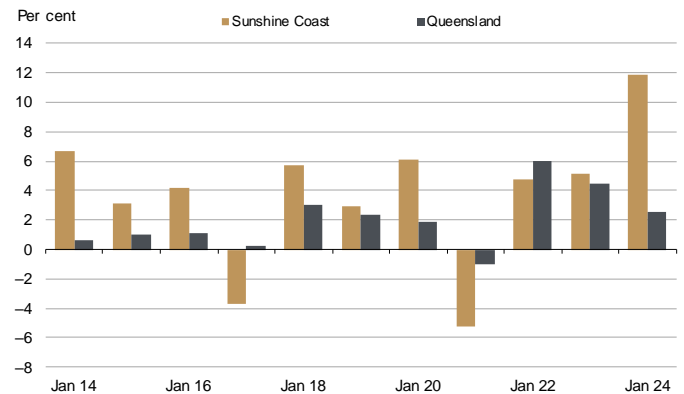


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, January 2024

