

# Regional labour force – Ipswich SA4, Feb 24

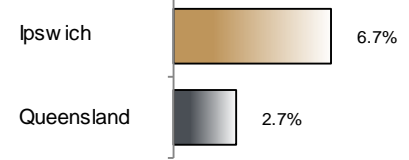
Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 28 March 2024, 10:30 am (AEST)

**Table 1 Labour force status, Ipswich SA4**

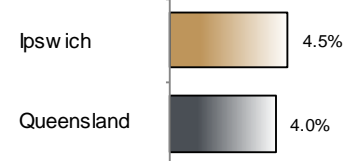
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Feb 23	Jan 24	Feb 24	persons	%
	— persons —				
Total employed	185,000	196,300	197,500	12,500	6.7
Total unemployed	13,100	9,000	9,300	-3,700	-28.6
Total labour force	198,100	205,300	206,800	8,700	4.4
Not in the labour force	101,300	105,500	105,100	3,800	3.7
Total persons 15+	299,400	310,900	311,900	12,500	4.2
Participation rate (%)	66.2	66.0	66.3	..	0.1 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	6.6	4.4	4.5	..	-2.1 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

**Employment growth, annual**



**Unemployment rate**



## Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 6.7%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 4.5%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↓ 2.1 ppt  
 Participation rate..... 66.3%

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 Ipswich SA4 in February 2024 was 197,500 persons, an increase of 12,500 employed persons, or 6.7% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Ipswich SA4 in February 2024 was 4.5 per cent, a decrease of 2.1 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the sixth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Ipswich SA4 in February 2024 was 66.3 per cent, an increase of 0.1 percentage point over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

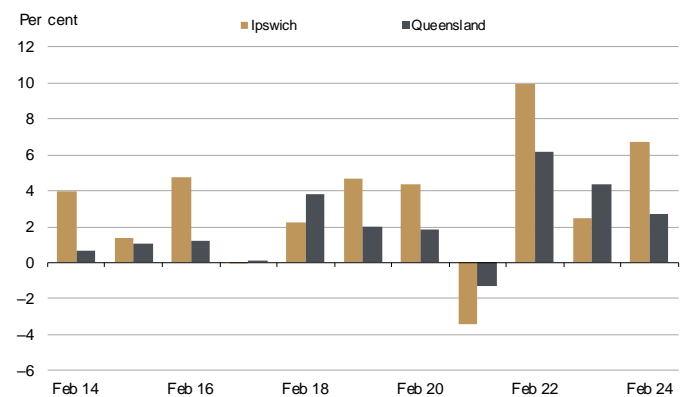
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

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, Ipswich SA4**



**Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, February 2024**

