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# Regional labour force - Toowoomba SA4, May 24

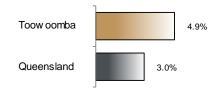
Source: ABS, Labour force, Australia, detailed, released 20 June 2024, 11:30 am (AEST)

Table 1 Labour force status, Toowoomba SA4

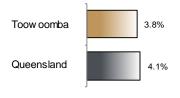
|                         | Year ending |         |         | Annual change |          |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|
|                         | May 23      | Apr 24  | May 24  |               |          |
|                         | — persons — |         |         | persons       | %        |
| Total employed          | 77,100      | 79,800  | 80,900  | 3,800         | 4.9      |
| Total unemployed        | 4,200       | 3,400   | 3,200   | -1,100        | -24.9    |
| Total labour force      | 81,300      | 83,200  | 84,100  | 2,700         | 3.3      |
| Not in the labour force | 54,200      | 56,300  | 55,800  | 1,600         | 2.9      |
| Total persons 15+       | 135,600     | 139,500 | 139,800 | 4,300         | 3.1      |
| Participation rate (%)  | 60.0        | 59.7    | 60.1    |               | 0.1 (a)  |
| Unemployment rate (%)   | 5.2         | 4.1     | 3.8     |               | -1.4 (a) |

(a) Percentage point change.

#### Employment growth, annual



#### **Unemployment rate**



### Key data

| Employment (annual change)        | 个 4.9%    |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Unemployment rate                 | 3.8%      |
| Unemployment rate (annual change) | ↓ 1.4 ppt |
| Participation rate                | 60.1%     |
|                                   |           |

ppt = percentage point

## **Main findings**

Note: Due to the high standard errors associated with regional labour force direct survey estimates, 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 of direct survey estimates.

- The number of employed persons in Toowoomba SA4 in May 2024 was 80,900 persons, an increase of 3,800 employed persons, or 4.9% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Toowoomba SA4 in May 2024 was 3.8 per cent, a decrease of 1.4 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the seventh-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Toowoomba SA4 in May 2024 was 60.1 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, Toowoomba SA4

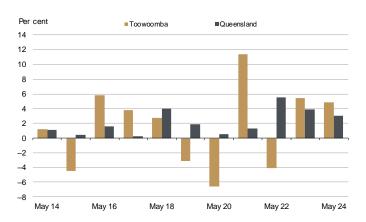


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, May 2024

