

Regional labour force – Cairns SA4, Nov 24

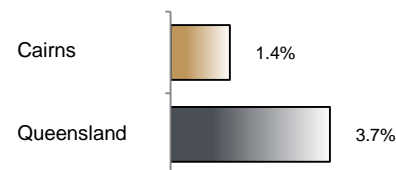
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Table 1 Labour force status, Cairns SA4

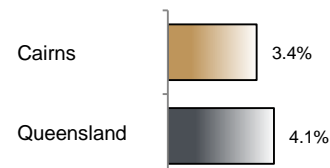
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Nov 23	Oct 24	Nov 24	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	139,500	141,900	141,400	1,900	1.4
Total unemployed	5,000	5,000	4,900	-100	-2.5
Total labour force	144,500	146,900	146,300	1,800	1.2
Not in the labour force	71,900	73,600	74,600	2,700	3.7
Total persons 15+	216,400	220,500	220,900	4,500	2.1
Participation rate (%)	66.8	66.6	66.2	..	-0.5 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	3.5	3.4	3.4	..	-0.1 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 1.4%

Unemployment rate 3.4%

Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 0.1 ppt

Participation rate..... 66.2%

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 Cairns SA4 in November 2024 was 141,400 persons, an increase of 1,900 employed persons, or 1.4% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Cairns SA4 in November 2024 was 3.4 per cent, a decrease of 0.1 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the fourth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Cairns SA4 in November 2024 was 66.2 per cent, a decrease of 0.5 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, Cairns SA4

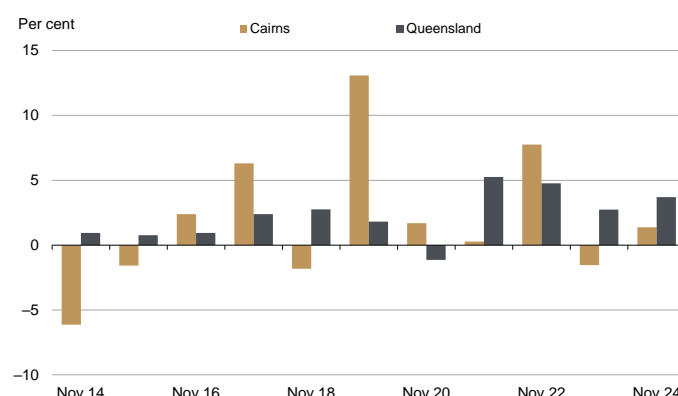


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, November 2024

