

Regional labour force – Toowoomba SA4, Dec 24

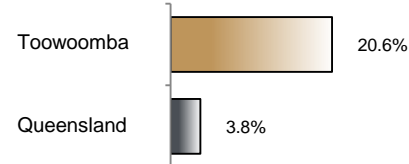
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Table 1 Labour force status, Toowoomba SA4

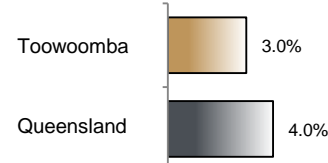
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Dec 23	Nov 24	Dec 24	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	76,600	90,300	92,300	15,800	20.6
Total unemployed	4,000	3,300	2,900	-1,100	-27.8
Total labour force	80,500	93,600	95,200	14,700	18.2
Not in the labour force	56,800	46,700	45,300	-11,500	-20.3
Total persons 15+	137,400	140,300	140,500	3,200	2.3
Participation rate (%)	58.6	66.7	67.7	..	9.1 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	4.9	3.5	3.0	..	-1.9 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 20.6%
 Unemployment rate 3.0%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 1.9 ppt
 Participation rate..... 67.7%

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 December 2024 was 92,300 persons, an increase of 15,800 employed persons, or 20.6% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Toowoomba SA4 in December 2024 was 3.0 per cent, a decrease of 1.9 percentage points 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 Toowoomba SA4 in December 2024 was 67.7 per cent, an increase of 9.1 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, Toowoomba SA4

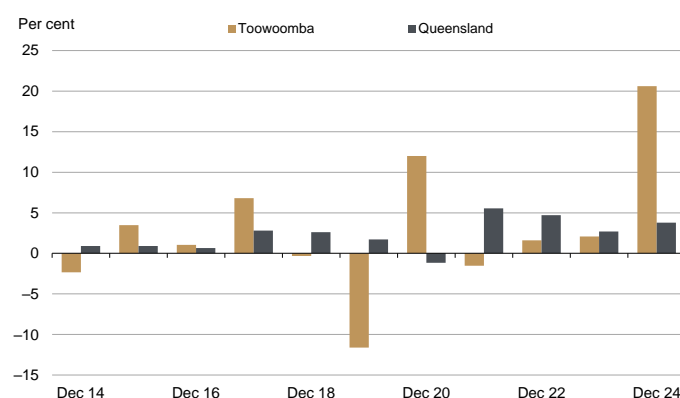


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, December 2024

