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4.0%

## Regional labour force – Queensland - Outback SA4, Jan 25

Source: ABS, Labour force, Australia, detailed, released 27 February 2025, 10:30 am (AEST)

Table 1 Labour force status, Queensland - Outback SA4

	Year ending			Annual change	
	Jan 24	Dec 24	Jan 25		
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	41,200	40,400	40,400	-800	-2.0
Total unemployed	1,700	2,500	2,600	900	53.4
Total labour force	42,800	42,900	42,900	100	0.2
Not in the labour force	20,900	21,000	21,000	100	0.3
Total persons 15+	63,700	63,900	63,900	100	0.2
Participation rate (%)	67.2	67.2	67.2		-0.0 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	3.9	5.9	6.0		2.1 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

## Queensland - -2.0% Queensland Queensland Queensland 3.9% Unemployment rate Queensland - 6.0%

## Key data

Employment (annual change)	
Unemployment rate	6.0%
Unemployment rate (annual change)	↑ 2.1 ppt
Participation rate	67.2%

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 Queensland Outback SA4 in January 2025 was 40,400 persons, a decrease of 800 employed persons, or 2.0% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Queensland Outback SA4 in January 2025 was 6.0 per cent, an increase of 2.1 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Queensland Outback SA4 in January 2025 was 67.2 per cent, unchanged 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, Queensland - Outback SA4

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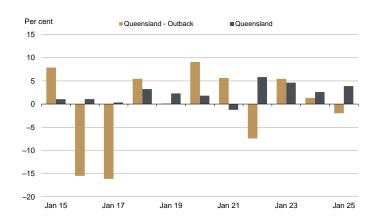


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, January 2025

