

Regional labour force – Sunshine Coast SA4, Jan 25

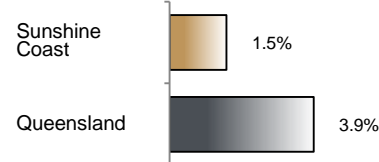
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Table 1 Labour force status, Sunshine Coast SA4

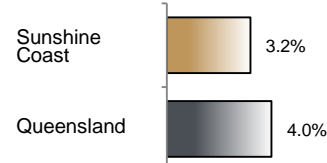
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Jan 24	Dec 24	Jan 25	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	222,300	225,800	225,700	3,400	1.5
Total unemployed	7,800	7,900	7,400	-300	-4.3
Total labour force	230,100	233,700	233,200	3,100	1.3
Not in the labour force	123,500	128,700	130,000	6,500	5.2
Total persons 15+	353,600	362,400	363,200	9,600	2.7
Participation rate (%)	65.1	64.5	64.2	..	-0.9 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	3.4	3.4	3.2	..	-0.2 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 1.5%
 Unemployment rate 3.2%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 0.2 ppt
 Participation rate..... 64.2%

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 Sunshine Coast SA4 in January 2025 was 225,700 persons, an increase of 3,400 employed persons, or 1.5% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Sunshine Coast SA4 in January 2025 was 3.2 per cent, a decrease of 0.2 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the fifth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Sunshine Coast SA4 in January 2025 was 64.2 per cent, a decrease of 0.9 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, Sunshine Coast SA4

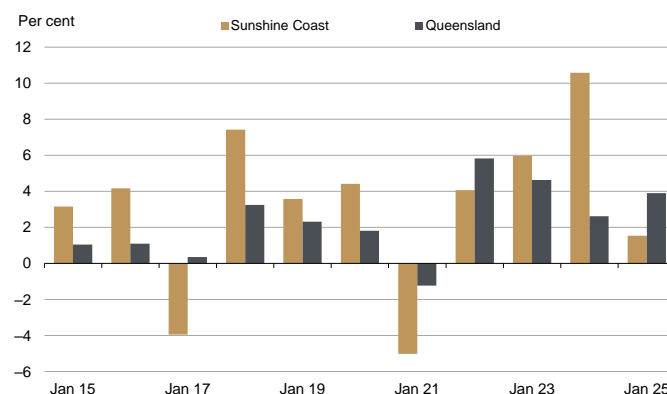


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, January 2025

