

Regional labour force – Moreton Bay - South SA4, Feb 25

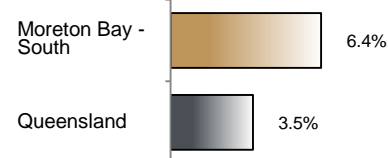
Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 27 March 2025, 10:30 am (AEST)

Table 1 Labour force status, Moreton Bay - South SA4

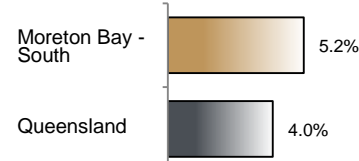
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Feb 24	Jan 25	Feb 25	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	127,200	135,100	135,300	8,100	6.4
Total unemployed	5,300	7,200	7,500	2,200	40.9
Total labour force	132,500	142,300	142,800	10,300	7.8
Not in the labour force	50,200	44,800	44,700	-5,500	-10.9
Total persons 15+	182,600	187,100	187,500	4,800	2.6
Participation rate (%)	72.5	76.0	76.2	..	3.6 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	4.0	5.1	5.2	..	1.2 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 6.4%
 Unemployment rate 5.2%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↑ 1.2 ppt
 Participation rate..... 76.2%

ppt = percentage point

Main findings

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

Townsville and Cairns SA4s have no data due to collection issues following flooding in these regions. Data in Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday SA4 represents combined estimates for 3 regions: Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday, Townsville and Cairns SA4s. As such, the comparisons are made across 17 SA4s instead of the usual 19 SA4s.

- The number of employed persons in Moreton Bay - South SA4 in February 2025 was 135,300 persons, an increase of 8,100 employed persons, or 6.4% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Moreton Bay - South SA4 in February 2025 was 5.2 per cent, an increase of 1.2 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the fifth-highest of all 17 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Moreton Bay - South SA4 in February 2025 was 76.2 per cent, an increase of 3.6 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, Moreton Bay - South SA4

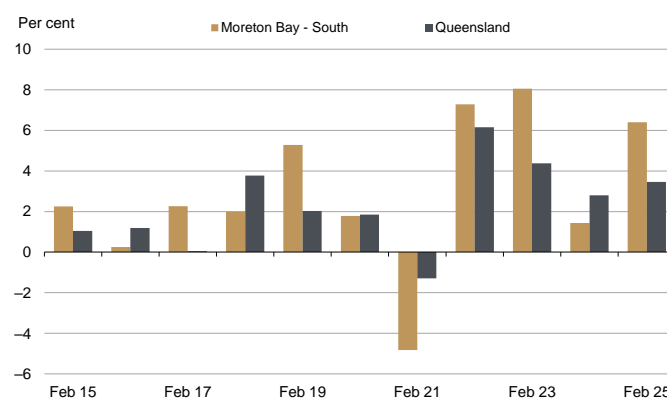


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, February 2025

