

## Regional labour force – Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4, Apr 25

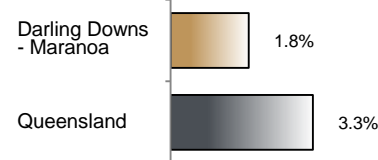
Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 22 May 2025, 11:30 am (AEST)

**Table 1 Labour force status, Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4**

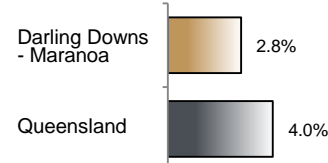
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Apr 24	Mar 25	Apr 25	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	65,900	66,900	67,100	1,200	1.8
Total unemployed	1,400	1,800	1,900	500	35.6
Total labour force	67,400	68,600	69,100	1,700	2.5
Not in the labour force	40,000	39,600	39,300	-700	-1.7
Total persons 15+	107,300	108,300	108,300	1,000	1.0
Participation rate (%)	62.8	63.4	63.7	..	1.0 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	2.1	2.6	2.8	..	0.7 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

### Employment growth, annual



### Unemployment rate



## Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 1.8%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 2.8%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↑ 0.7 ppt  
 Participation rate..... 63.7%

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.

The ABS has imputed sample responses in Townsville SA4 for February 2025, March 2025 and April 2025 and Moreton Bay - North SA4 for March 2025 due to recent natural disasters. The ABS recommends caution when using data from these impacted regions for analysis.

- The number of employed persons in Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4 in April 2025 was 67,100 persons, an increase of 1,200 employed persons, or 1.8% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4 in April 2025 was 2.8 per cent, an increase of 0.7 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 Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4 in April 2025 was 63.7 per cent, an increase of 1.0 percentage point over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

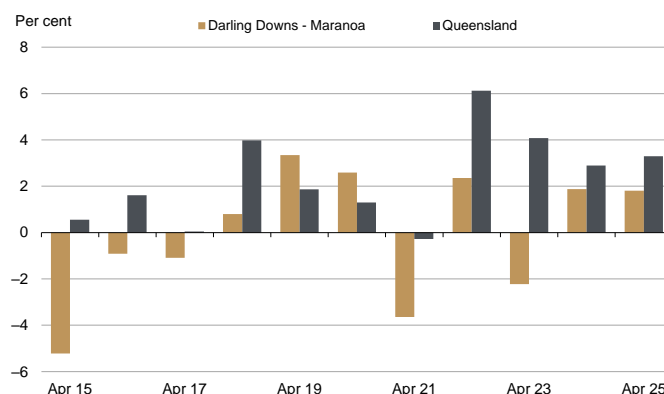
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

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, Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4**



**Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, April 2025**

