Queensland Government Statistician's Office



# Regional labour force – Toowoomba SA4, Apr 25

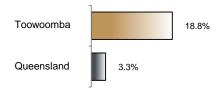
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Table 1 Labour force status, Toowoomba SA4

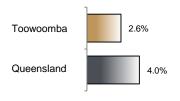
|                         | Year ending |         |         | Annual change |          |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|
|                         | Apr 24      | Mar 25  | Apr 25  |               |          |
|                         | — persons — |         |         | persons       | %        |
| Total employed          | 79,200      | 94,000  | 94,100  | 14,900        | 18.8     |
| Total unemployed        | 3,400       | 2,500   | 2,500   | -900          | -26.6    |
| Total labour force      | 82,600      | 96,400  | 96,600  | 14,000        | 16.9     |
| Not in the labour force | 55,900      | 44,600  | 44,600  | -11,300       | -20.2    |
| Total persons 15+       | 138,500     | 141,000 | 141,200 | 2,700         | 2.0      |
| Participation rate (%)  | 59.6        | 68.4    | 68.4    |               | 8.8 (a)  |
| Unemployment rate (%)   | 4.1         | 2.5     | 2.6     |               | -1.5 (a) |

(a) Percentage point change.

### Employment growth, annual



#### **Unemployment rate**



### Key data

| Employment (annual change)        | <b>1</b> 8.8% |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| Unemployment rate                 | 2.6%          |
| Unemployment rate (annual change) | ▶ 1.5 ppt     |
| Participation rate                | 68.4%         |

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 Toowoomba SA4 in April 2025 was 94,100 persons, an increase of 14,900 employed persons, or 18.8% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Toowoomba SA4 in April 2025 was 2.6 per cent, a decrease of 1.5 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the second-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Toowoomba SA4 in April 2025 was 68.4 per cent, an increase of 8.8 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

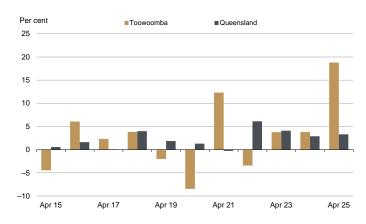


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, April 2025

