# Regional labour force – Brisbane - East SA4, May 2025

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#### Table 1 Labour force status Brisbane - East SA4

	Year ending			Annual change	
	May 24	Apr 25	May 25		
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	137,000	142,100	142,700	5,700	4.2
Total unemployed	4,700	4,500	4,300	-400	-7.9
Total labour force	141,700	146,600	147,000	5,400	3.8
Not in the labour force	64,700	62,600	62,500	-2,200	-3.4
Total persons 15+	206,300	209,300	209,500	3,200	1.5
Participation rate (%)	68.7	70.1	70.2		1.5 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	3.3	3.1	2.9		–0.4 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

### Key data

Employment (annual change) 14.2%	
Unemployment rate 2.9%	
Unemployment rate (annual change) $\Psi$ 0.4 ppt	
Participation rate70.2%	

### 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

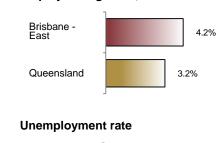
survey estimates. The ABS has imputed sample responses in Townsville SA4 for February 2025, March 2025 and April 2025 and Moreton Bay - North SA4 for March 2025 due to recent natural disasters. The ABS recommends caution when using data from these impacted regions for analysis.

- The number of employed persons in Brisbane East SA4 in May 2025 was 142,700 persons, an increase of 5,700 employed persons, or 4.2% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Brisbane East SA4 in May 2025 was 2.9%, a decrease of 0.4 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 Brisbane East SA4 in May 2025 was 70.2%, an increase of 1.5 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

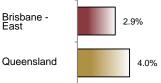
SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition) Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes): Data for Queensland as a whole are provided for reference purposes only.

The labour force statistics presented in this brief are on a sample basis and will include a sampling error.

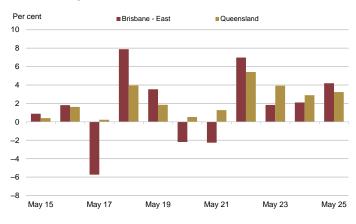
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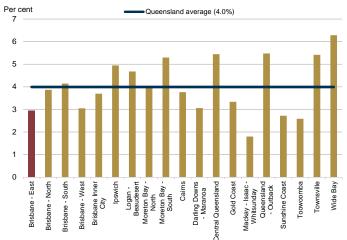
Employment growth, annual



## Figure 1 Annual change in employment, Brisbane - East SA4



#### Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, May 2025



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