

# Regional labour force – Brisbane Inner City SA4, May 2025

Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 26 June 2025, 11:30 am (AEST)

Table 1 Labour force status Brisbane Inner City SA4

	Year ending			Annual change	
	May 24	Apr 25	May 25		
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	213,500	221,400	221,800	8,300	3.9
Total unemployed	8,900	8,300	8,500	−300	−3.9
Total labour force	222,400	229,600	230,400	7,900	3.6
Not in the labour force	62,500	66,400	66,700	4,200	6.8
Total persons 15+	284,900	296,100	297,100	12,200	4.3
Participation rate (%)	78.1	77.6	77.5	..	−0.5 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	4.0	3.6	3.7	..	−0.3 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

## Key data

Employment (annual change) ..... ↑ 3.9%  
Unemployment rate..... 3.7%  
Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↓ 0.3 ppt  
Participation rate ..... 77.5%

## 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 Inner City SA4 in May 2025 was 221,800 persons, an increase of 8,300 employed persons, or 3.9% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Brisbane Inner City SA4 in May 2025 was 3.7%, a decrease of 0.3 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the eighth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Brisbane Inner City SA4 in May 2025 was 77.5%, a decrease of 0.5 percentage point over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

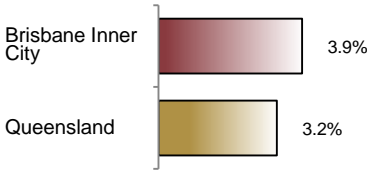
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

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.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate

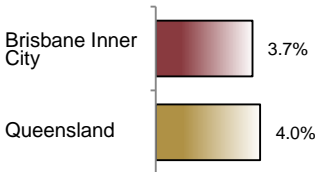


Figure 1 Annual change in employment, Brisbane Inner City SA4

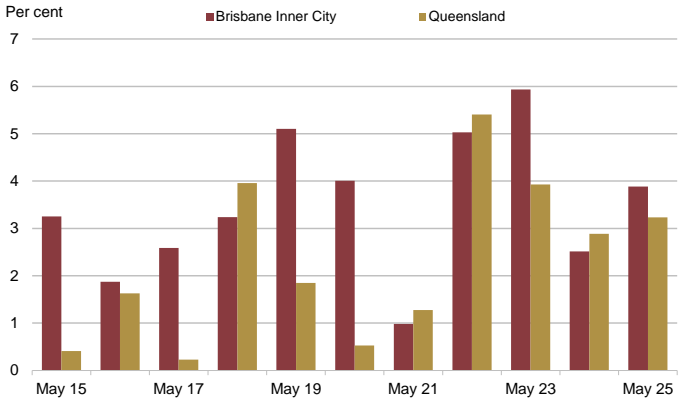
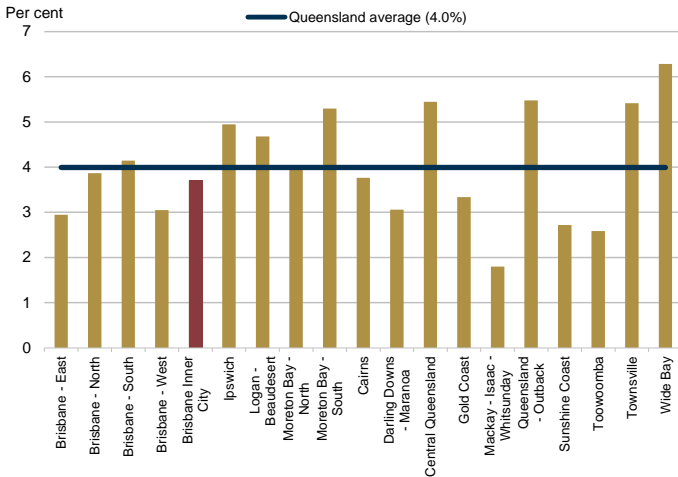


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, May 2025



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