

Regional labour force – Townsville SA4, June 2025

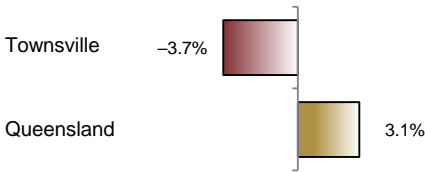
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Table 1 Labour force status, Townsville SA4

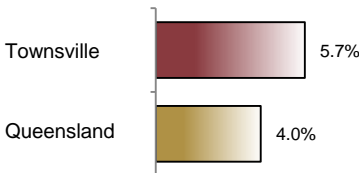
| | Year ending | | | Annual change | |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|
| | Jun 24 | May 25 | Jun 25 | | |
| | — persons — | | | persons | % |
| Total employed | 126,300 | 121,600 | 121,600 | -4,700 | -3.7 |
| Total unemployed | 5,300 | 7,000 | 7,300 | 2,000 | 38.2 |
| Total labour force | 131,600 | 128,600 | 128,900 | -2,700 | -2.1 |
| Not in the labour force | 63,400 | 68,700 | 68,500 | 5,100 | 8.0 |
| Total persons 15+ | 195,100 | 197,200 | 197,400 | 2,400 | 1.2 |
| Participation rate (%) | 67.5 | 65.2 | 65.3 | .. | -2.2 (a) |
| Unemployment rate (%) | 4.0 | 5.4 | 5.7 | .. | 1.7 (a) |

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change) ↓ 3.7%

Unemployment rate 5.7%

Unemployment rate (annual change) ↑ 1.7 ppt

Participation rate 65.3%

Main findings

Note: All data in this brief are based on 12-month moving averages of regional labour force direct survey estimates.

The ABS and QGSO recommend using 12-month averages to address high standard errors and reduce data volatility.

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 Townsville SA4 in June 2025 was 121,600 persons, a decrease of 4,700 employed persons, or 3.7% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Townsville SA4 in June 2025 was 5.7%, an increase of 1.7 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the second-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Townsville SA4 in June 2025 was 65.3%, a decrease of 2.2 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 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, Townsville SA4

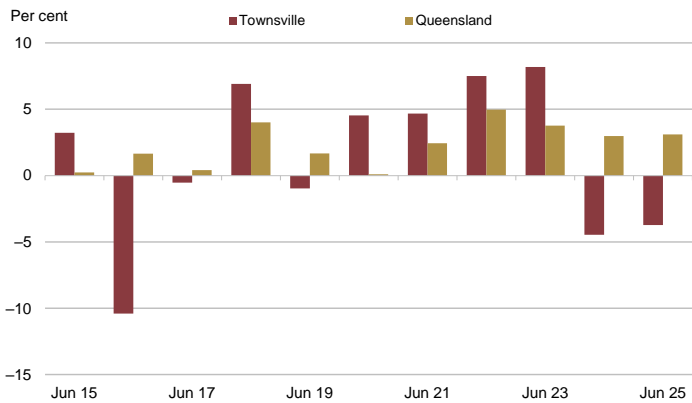
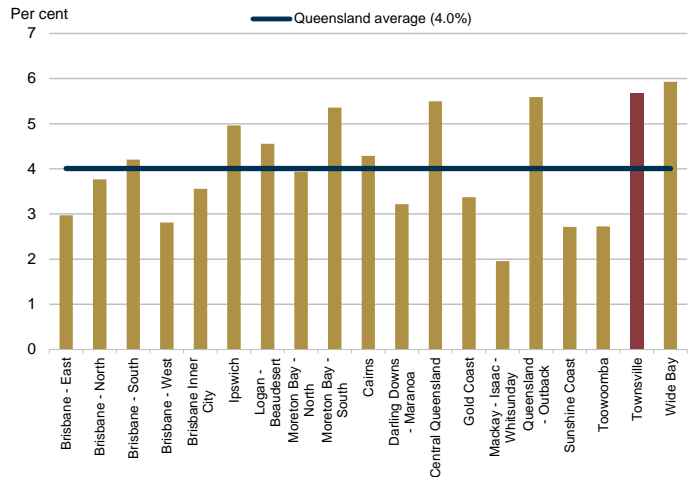


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, June 2025



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