

Modelled regional labour force – Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4, August 2025

Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 25 September 2025, 11:30 am (AEST)

Table 1 Labour force status, Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4

	Year ending			Annual change	
	Aug 24	Jul 25	Aug 25		
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	68,000	68,900	68,900	900	1.3
Total unemployed	2,300	2,300	2,300	0	1.8
Total labour force	70,200	71,200	71,200	900	1.3
Not in the labour force	37,400	37,400	37,500	100	0.2
Total persons 15+	107,600	108,500	108,600	1,000	0.9
Participation rate (%)	65.3	65.6	65.5	..	0.3 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	3.2	3.2	3.2	..	0.0 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Key data

Employment (annual change) ↑ 1.3%
Unemployment rate 3.2%
Unemployment rate (annual change) 0.0 ppt
Participation rate 65.5%

Main findings

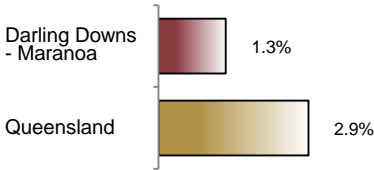
Note: All data in this brief are based on 12-month moving averages of modelled estimates due to seasonal variation and noise associated with regional labour force modelled estimates.

The modelled regional labour force estimates enhance the direct survey estimates of regional labour market data using administrative data and statistical modelling.

- The number of employed persons in Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4 in August 2025 was 68,900 persons, an increase of 900 employed persons, or 1.3% over the year (Table 1).
- The unemployment rate in Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4 in August 2025 was 3.2%, lower than the Queensland average of 4.0% (Figure 1). The unemployment rate for this area was the sixth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4 in August 2025 was 65.5%, an increase of 0.3 of a percentage point over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)
Participation rate refers to the number of persons in the labour force expressed as a percentage of persons aged 15 years and over.
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 12-month averages of modelled labour force estimates.
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

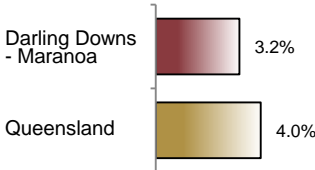


Figure 1 Unemployment rate, Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4 and Queensland

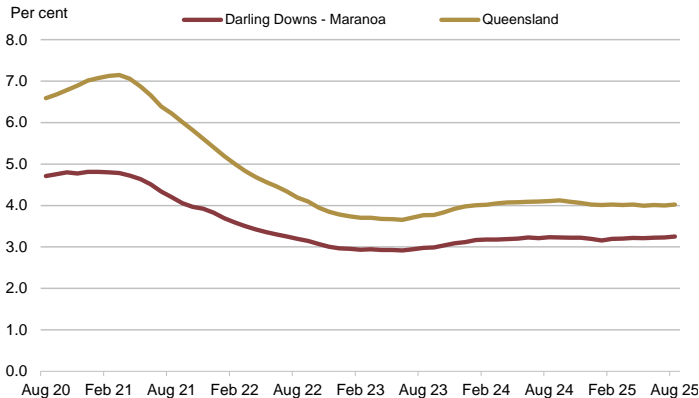
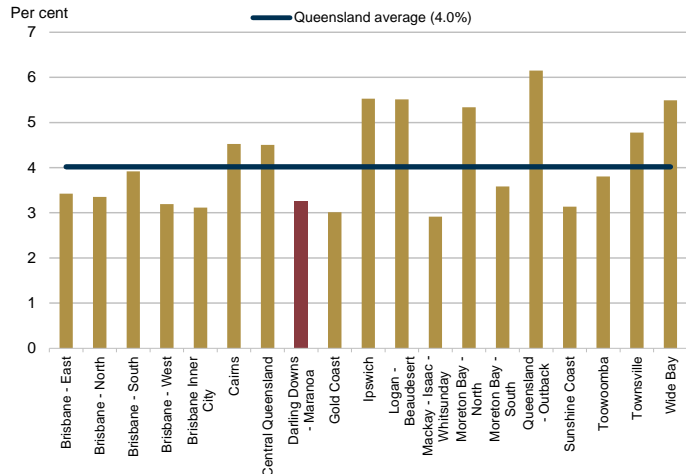


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, August 2025



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