

Modelled regional labour force – Townsville SA4, October 2025

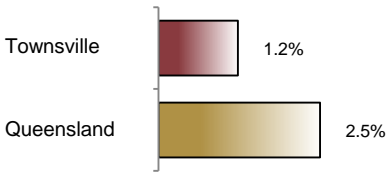
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Table 1 Labour force status, Townsville SA4

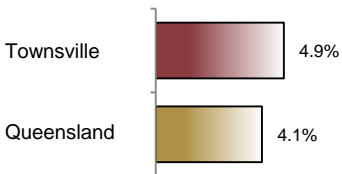
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Oct 24	Sep 25	Oct 25		
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	124,700	126,200	126,200	1,500	1.2
Total unemployed	6,300	6,400	6,500	200	3.0
Total labour force	131,000	132,700	132,700	1,700	1.3
Not in the labour force	65,200	65,600	65,800	700	1.0
Total persons 15+	196,100	198,300	198,500	2,400	1.2
Participation rate (%)	66.8	66.9	66.8	..	0.1 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	4.8	4.8	4.9	..	0.1 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change) ↑ 1.2%
Unemployment rate 4.9%
Unemployment rate (annual change) ↑ 0.1 ppt
Participation rate 66.8%

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 Townsville SA4 in October 2025 was 126,200 persons, an increase of 1,500 employed persons, or 1.2% over the year (Table 1).
- The unemployment rate in Townsville SA4 in October 2025 was 4.9%, higher than the Queensland average of 4.1% (Figure 1). The unemployment rate for this area was the sixth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Townsville SA4 in October 2025 was 66.8%, an increase of 0.1 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.

Figure 1 Unemployment rate, Townsville SA4 and Queensland

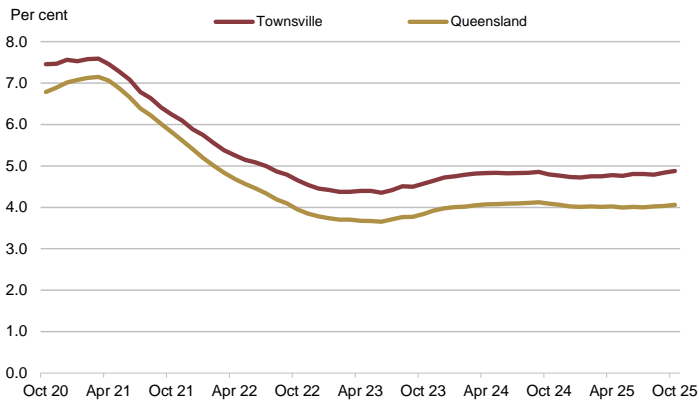
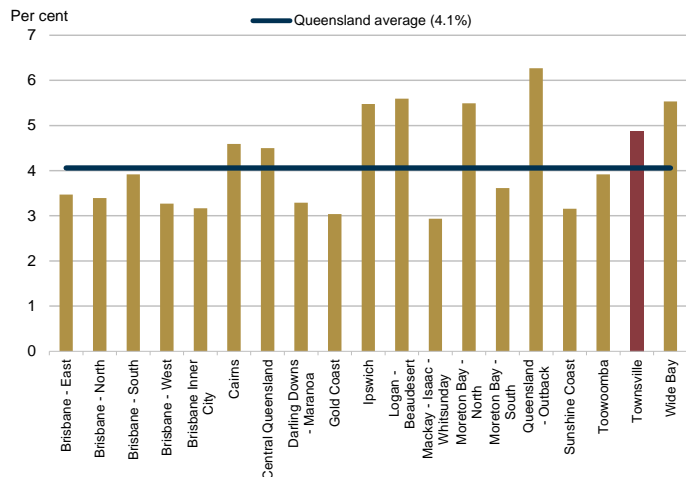


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, October 2025



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