

Regional labour force – Cairns SA4, Apr 23

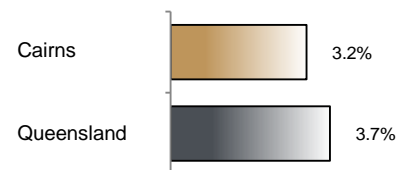
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Table 1 Labour force status, Cairns SA4

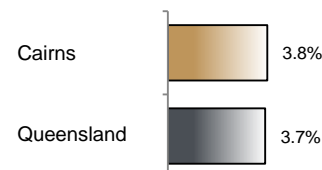
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Apr 22	Mar 23	Apr 23	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	136,500	140,800	140,800	4,300	3.2
Total unemployed	6,500	6,200	5,600	-900	-14.5
Total labour force	143,000	147,000	146,400	3,400	2.3
Not in the labour force	66,300	66,300	67,300	900	1.4
Total persons 15+	209,400	213,300	213,700	4,300	2.1
Participation rate (%)	68.3	68.9	68.5	..	0.2 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	4.6	4.2	3.8	..	-0.8 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 3.2%

Unemployment rate 3.8%

Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 0.8 ppt

Participation rate 68.5%

ppt = percentage point

Main findings

Note: Due to the high standard errors associated with regional labour force survey data, 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.

- The number of employed persons in Cairns SA4 in April 2023 was 140,800 persons, an increase of 4,300 employed persons, or 3.2% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Cairns SA4 in April 2023 was 3.8 per cent, a decrease of 0.8 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the seventh-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Cairns SA4 in April 2023 was 68.5 per cent, an increase of 0.2 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.

Figure 1 Annual change in employment, Cairns SA4

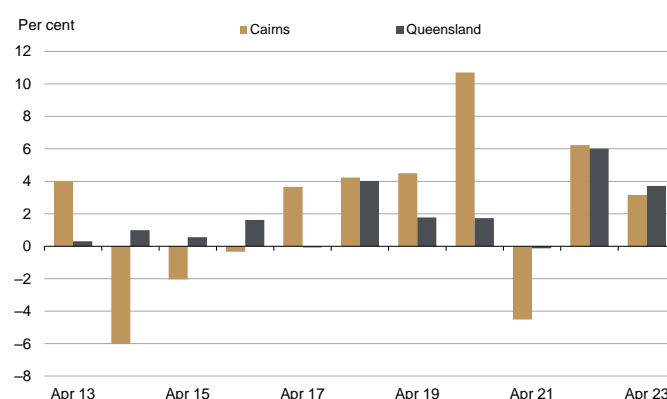


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, April 2023

