

# Regional labour force – Queensland - Outback SA4, Oct 23

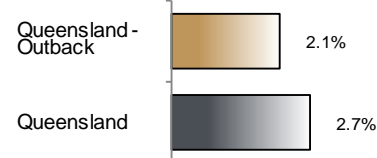
Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 23 November 2023, 10:30 am (AEST)

**Table 1 Labour force status, Queensland - Outback SA4**

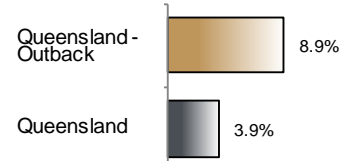
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Oct 22	Sep 23	Oct 23	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	36,400	36,900	37,100	800	2.1
Total unemployed	4,500	3,700	3,600	-900	-19.8
Total labour force	40,900	40,700	40,800	-100	-0.3
Not in the labour force	23,200	24,700	24,700	1,500	6.7
Total persons 15+	64,100	65,300	65,500	1,400	2.2
Participation rate (%)	63.9	62.2	62.3	..	-1.6 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	11.1	9.2	8.9	..	-2.2 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

**Employment growth, annual**



**Unemployment rate**



## Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 2.1%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 8.9%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↓ 2.2 ppt  
 Participation rate..... 62.3%

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 Queensland - Outback SA4 in October 2023 was 37,100 persons, an increase of 800 employed persons, or 2.1% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Queensland - Outback SA4 in October 2023 was 8.9 per cent, a decrease of 2.2 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Queensland - Outback SA4 in October 2023 was 62.3 per cent, a decrease of 1.6 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

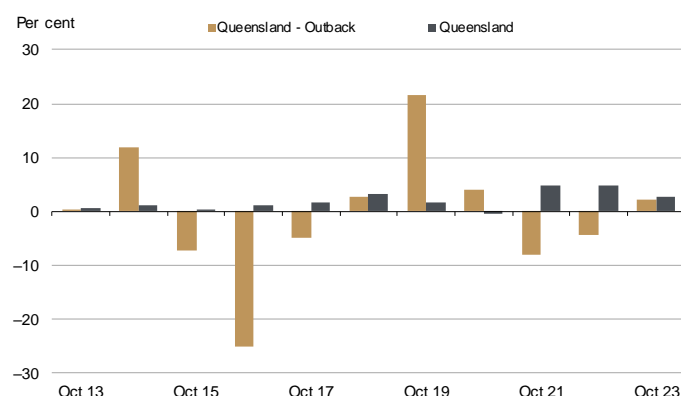
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

Data for Queensland 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, Queensland - Outback SA4**



**Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, October 2023**

