

Regional labour force – Central Queensland SA4, Mar 23

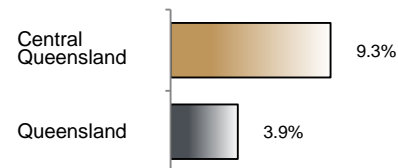
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Table 1 Labour force status, Central Queensland SA4

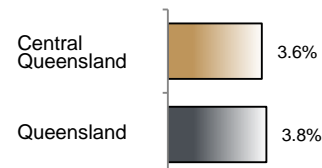
| | Year ending | | | Annual change | |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|
| | Mar 22 | Feb 23 | Mar 23 | persons | % |
| | — persons — | | | persons | % |
| Total employed | 116,900 | 127,200 | 127,800 | 10,900 | 9.3 |
| Total unemployed | 6,600 | 4,400 | 4,700 | -1,900 | -28.4 |
| Total labour force | 123,500 | 131,600 | 132,500 | 9,000 | 7.3 |
| Not in the labour force | 59,900 | 55,500 | 54,900 | -5,000 | -8.4 |
| Total persons 15+ | 183,500 | 187,000 | 187,400 | 3,900 | 2.1 |
| Participation rate (%) | 67.3 | 70.3 | 70.7 | .. | 3.4 (a) |
| Unemployment rate (%) | 5.4 | 3.3 | 3.6 | .. | -1.8 (a) |

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 9.3%
 Unemployment rate 3.6%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 1.8 ppt
 Participation rate 70.7%

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 Central Queensland SA4 in March 2023 was 127,800 persons, an increase of 10,900 employed persons, or 9.3% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Central Queensland SA4 in March 2023 was 3.6 per cent, a decrease of 1.8 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the ninth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Central Queensland SA4 in March 2023 was 70.7 per cent, an increase of 3.4 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, Central Queensland SA4

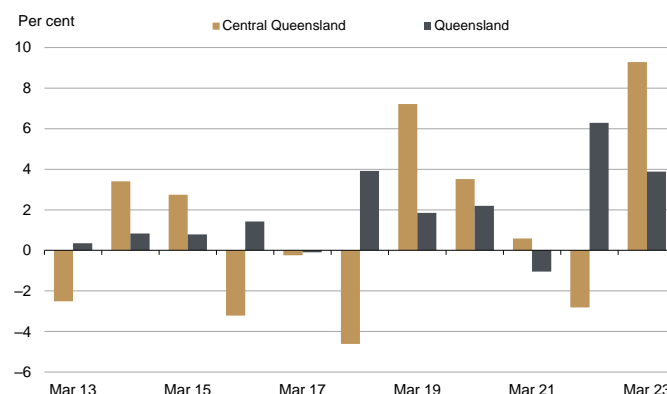


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, March 2023

