

Regional labour force – Sunshine Coast SA4, Mar 23

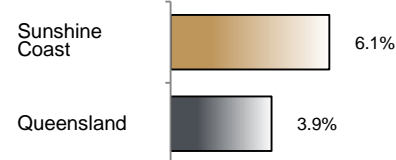
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Table 1 Labour force status, Sunshine Coast SA4

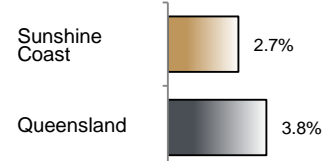
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Mar 22	Feb 23	Mar 23	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	192,300	202,500	204,100	11,800	6.1
Total unemployed	7,800	5,600	5,700	-2,000	-26.2
Total labour force	200,000	208,100	209,800	9,800	4.9
Not in the labour force	136,900	139,600	138,900	2,000	1.5
Total persons 15+	337,000	347,700	348,700	11,800	3.5
Participation rate (%)	59.4	59.9	60.2	..	0.8 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	3.9	2.7	2.7	..	-1.2 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 6.1%
 Unemployment rate 2.7%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↓ 1.2 ppt
 Participation rate 60.2%

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 Sunshine Coast SA4 in March 2023 was 204,100 persons, an increase of 11,800 employed persons, or 6.1% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Sunshine Coast SA4 in March 2023 was 2.7 per cent, a decrease of 1.2 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the sixth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Sunshine Coast SA4 in March 2023 was 60.2 per cent, an increase of 0.8 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, Sunshine Coast SA4

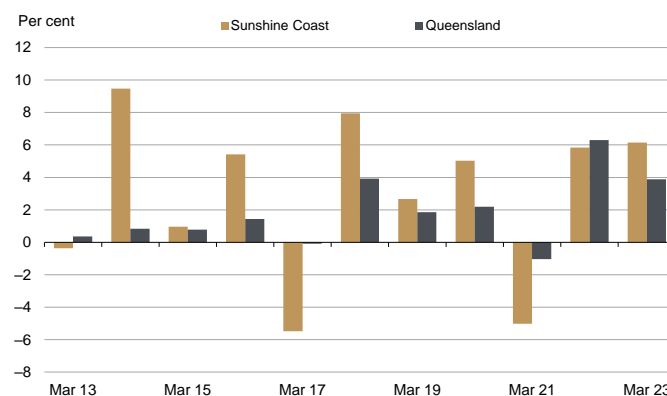


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, March 2023

