

# Regional labour force – Toowoomba SA4, Jul 23

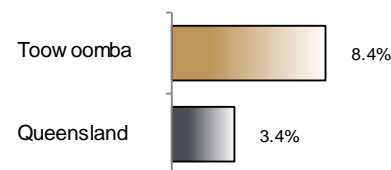
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**Table 1 Labour force status, Toowoomba SA4**

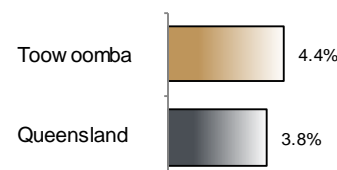
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Jul 22	Jun 23	Jul 23	persons	%
	— persons —				
Total employed	73,300	79,500	79,400	6,100	8.4
Total unemployed	4,200	3,700	3,700	-600	-13.6
Total labour force	77,500	83,200	83,000	5,500	7.2
Not in the labour force	55,200	53,200	53,700	-1,500	-2.7
Total persons 15+	132,700	136,400	136,800	4,000	3.0
Participation rate (%)	58.4	61.0	60.7	..	2.3 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	5.5	4.4	4.4	..	-1.1 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

**Employment growth, annual**



**Unemployment rate**



## Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 8.4%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 4.4%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↓ 1.1 ppt  
 Participation rate..... 60.7%

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 Toowoomba SA4 in July 2023 was 79,400 persons, an increase of 6,100 employed persons, or 8.4% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Toowoomba SA4 in July 2023 was 4.4 per cent, a decrease of 1.1 percentage points over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the sixth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Toowoomba SA4 in July 2023 was 60.7 per cent, an increase of 2.3 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

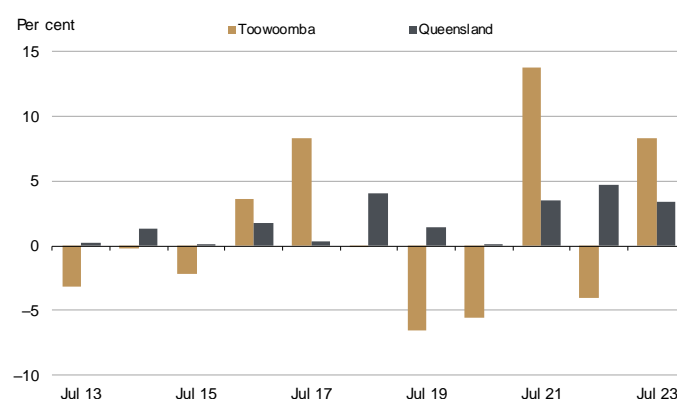
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

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, Toowoomba SA4**



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

