

# Regional labour force – Gold Coast SA4, Aug 23

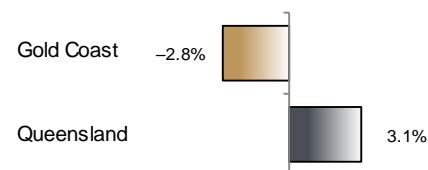
Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 21 September 2023, 11:30 am (AEST)

**Table 1 Labour force status, Gold Coast SA4**

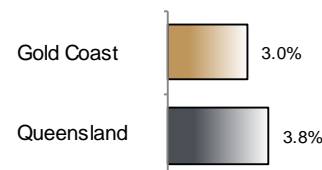
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Aug 22	Jul 23	Aug 23	persons	%
	— persons —				
Total employed	371,000	361,300	360,500	-10,500	-2.8
Total unemployed	13,600	10,500	11,100	-2,500	-18.3
Total labour force	384,600	371,800	371,600	-13,000	-3.4
Not in the labour force	158,700	187,100	188,900	30,200	19.0
Total persons 15+	543,200	558,900	560,500	17,200	3.2
Participation rate (%)	70.8	66.5	66.3	..	-4.5 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	3.5	2.8	3.0	..	-0.5 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

**Employment growth, annual**



**Unemployment rate**



## Key data

Employment (annual change).....↓ 2.8%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 3.0%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↓ 0.5 ppt  
 Participation rate..... 66.3%

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 Gold Coast SA4 in August 2023 was 360,500 persons, a decrease of 10,500 employed persons, or 2.8% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Gold Coast SA4 in August 2023 was 3.0 per cent, a decrease of 0.5 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the second-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Gold Coast SA4 in August 2023 was 66.3 per cent, a decrease of 4.5 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

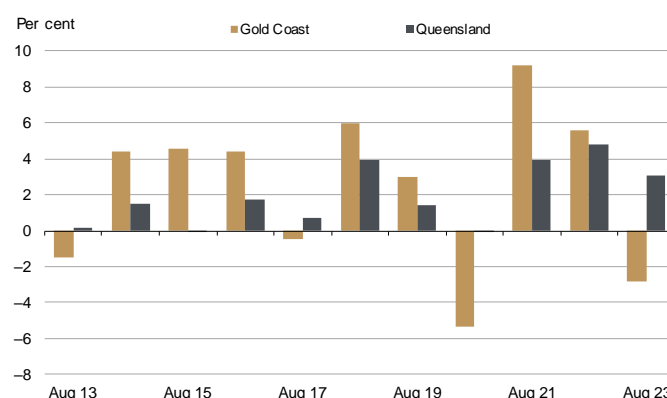
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

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, Gold Coast SA4**



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

