

# Regional labour force – Queensland - Outback SA4, Feb 24

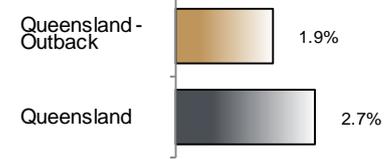
Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 28 March 2024, 10:30 am (AEST)

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

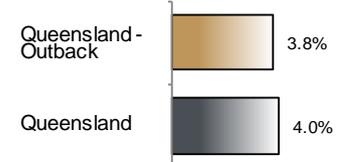
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Feb 23	Jan 24	Feb 24	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	40,900	41,600	41,600	800	1.9
Total unemployed	1,900	1,700	1,600	-200	-12.3
Total labour force	42,700	43,300	43,300	500	1.3
Not in the labour force	20,800	20,900	21,000	200	1.1
Total persons 15+	63,500	64,200	64,300	800	1.2
Participation rate (%)	67.3	67.4	67.3	..	0.0 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	4.4	3.9	3.8	..	-0.6 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

**Employment growth, annual**



**Unemployment rate**



## Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 1.9%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 3.8%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↓ 0.6 ppt  
 Participation rate..... 67.3%

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 February 2024 was 41,600 persons, an increase of 800 employed persons, or 1.9% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Queensland - Outback SA4 in February 2024 was 3.8 per cent, a decrease of 0.6 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the eighth-lowest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Queensland - Outback SA4 in February 2024 was 67.3 per cent, unchanged over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

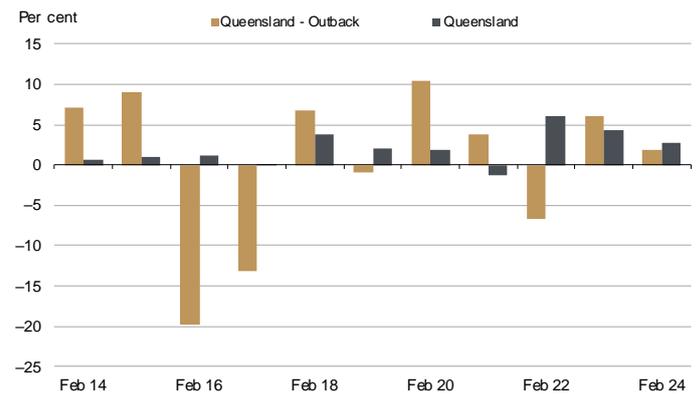
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

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, February 2024**

