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## Regional labour force - Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday SA4, May 24

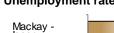
Source: ABS, Labour force, Australia, detailed, released 20 June 2024, 11:30 am (AEST)

Table 1 Labour force status, Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday SA4

	Year ending			Annual change	
	May 23	Apr 24	May 24		
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	105,300	104,700	105,100	-200	-0.2
Total unemployed	2,900	4,500	4,200	1,300	46.3
Total labour force	108,200	109,300	109,300	1,100	1.0
Not in the labour force	43,200	46,000	46,300	3,100	7.2
Total persons 15+	151,400	155,300	155,600	4,200	2.8
Participation rate (%)	71.5	70.4	70.2		-1.2 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	2.7	4.2	3.9		1.2 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

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## Key data

Employment (annual change)	<b>↓</b> 0.2%
Unemployment rate	3.9%
Unemployment rate (annual change) ↑	1.2 ppt
Participation rate	.70.2%

ppt = percentage point

## **Main findings**

Note: Due to the high standard errors associated with regional labour force direct survey estimates, 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 of direct survey estimates.

- The number of employed persons in Mackay Isaac -Whitsunday SA4 in May 2024 was 105,100 persons, a decrease of 200 employed persons, or 0.2% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Mackay Isaac Whitsunday SA4 in May 2024 was 3.9 per cent, an increase of 1.2 percentage points 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 Mackay Isaac Whitsunday SA4 in May 2024 was 70.2 per cent, a decrease of 1.2 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, Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday SA4

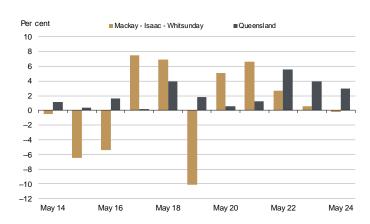


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, May 2024

