

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

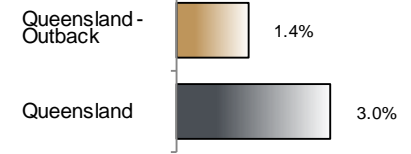
Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 20 June 2024, 11:30 am (AEST)

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

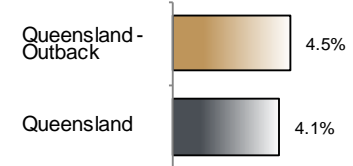
	Year ending			Annual change	
	May 23	Apr 24	May 24	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	40,900	41,500	41,500	600	1.4
Total unemployed	1,800	1,900	2,000	200	9.0
Total labour force	42,700	43,400	43,500	700	1.7
Not in the labour force	21,000	21,100	21,100	100	0.5
Total persons 15+	63,700	64,500	64,500	800	1.3
Participation rate (%)	67.1	67.3	67.3	..	0.3 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	4.2	4.4	4.5	..	0.3 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

**Employment growth, annual**



**Unemployment rate**



## Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 1.4%  
 Unemployment rate ..... 4.5%  
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ..... ↑ 0.3 ppt  
 Participation rate..... 67.3%

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 Queensland - Outback SA4 in May 2024 was 41,500 persons, an increase of 600 employed persons, or 1.4% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Queensland - Outback SA4 in May 2024 was 4.5 per cent, an increase of 0.3 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the fifth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Queensland - Outback SA4 in May 2024 was 67.3 per cent, an increase of 0.3 percentage point over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

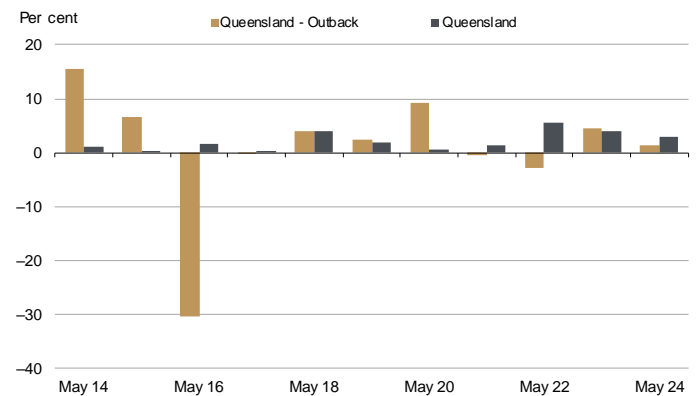
Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

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, Queensland - Outback SA4**



**Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, May 2024**

