

## ANTICIPATING FUTURE SKILLS



# Electricity, gas, water and waste services



The electricity, gas, water and waste services industry engages in the provision of electricity; gas through mains systems; water; drainage; and sewage services. It also includes the collection, treatment and disposal of waste materials; remediation of contaminated materials (including land); and materials-recovery activities.

By 2027-28, it is projected\* that there will be:

**39,738** people employed in electricity, gas, water and waste services in Queensland

**+1,787** additional people employed since 2023-24

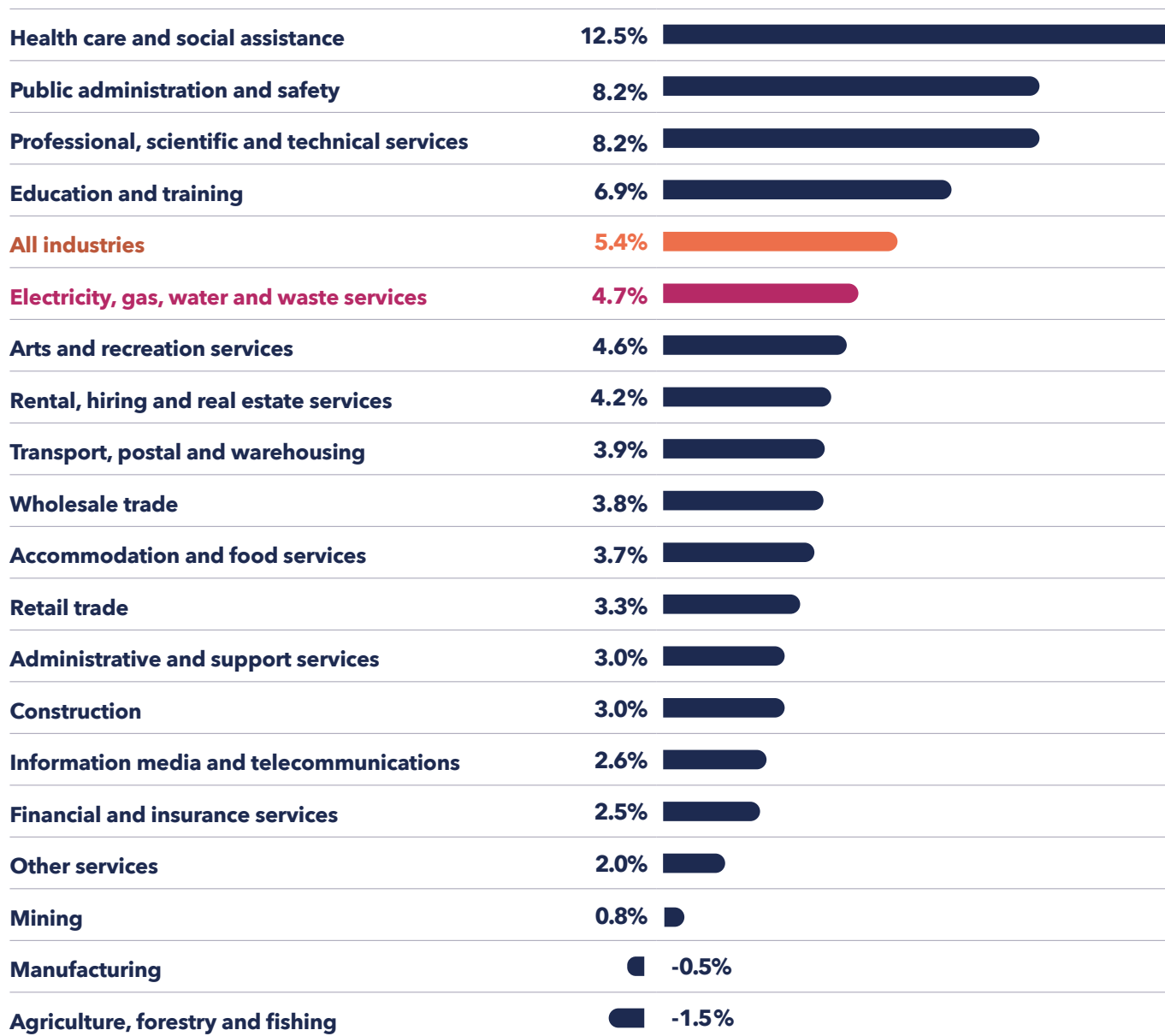


By 2027-28, the four largest electricity, gas, water and waste services groups will be:

Electricity distribution	Water supply, sewerage and drainage services	Electricity generation	Waste collection services
<b>People employed</b>	<b>People employed</b>	<b>People employed</b>	<b>People employed</b>
<b>9,245</b> 23.3% of industry's workforce	<b>7,291</b> 18.3% of industry's workforce	<b>6,410</b> 16.1% of industry's workforce	<b>5,556</b> 14.0% of industry's workforce
<b>+3.5%</b> change from 2024 (+317 people)	<b>+6.0%</b> change from 2024 (+413 people)	<b>+6.7%</b> change from 2024 (+401 people)	<b>+3.1%</b> change from 2024 (+167 people)
<b>Largest occupations</b>	<b>Largest occupations</b>	<b>Largest occupations</b>	<b>Largest occupations</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Electrical Distribution Trades Workers</li><li>Electricians</li><li>Electrical Engineers</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Other Stationary Plant Operators</li><li>Civil Engineering Professionals</li><li>Building and Plumbing Labourers</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Electricians</li><li>Chemical, Gas, Petroleum and Power Generation Plant Operators</li><li>Metal Fitters and Machinists</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Truck Drivers</li><li>Recycling and Rubbish Collectors</li><li>Other Specialist Managers</li></ul>

\*Projections are based on the 2024-25 State Budget and are not directly comparable to subsequent Budget Update forecasts for aggregate employment growth. As these projections are high level, indicative and subject to change, it is recommended that the focus be on employment trends rather than the numbers in isolation.

**By 2027-28, employment in electricity, gas, water and waste services is projected to have the fifth-fastest growth of all industries in Queensland.**



**While this is a small industry, it is projected to experience above-average growth in many regions.**

Region	New jobs 2027-28	% of regional workforce	Region	New jobs 2027-28	% of regional workforce
Brisbane	696	1.4%	Outback - North	15	0.9%
Townsville	247	2.4%	Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	9	1.1%
Gold Coast	205	0.7%	Darling Downs - Maranoa	8	3.1%
Central Queensland	174	2.0%	Outback - Far North	7	0.8%
Sunshine Coast	150	0.9%	Outback - South	4	1.0%
Logan - Beaudesert	90	1.0%	Wide Bay	3	1.5%
Toowoomba	88	1.5%	Moreton Bay - South	1	0.6%
Ipswich	72	1.2%	Cairns	0	1.0%
Moreton Bay - North	18	1.1%			

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