

Anticipating Future Skills Series 5 Fast 5 Facts

Central Queensland

Between 2023-24 and 2027-28:

- **1 Employment in Central Queensland** is projected to increase by 3.8% to 135,361 workers.
- **Health care and social assistance** is the largest-employing and fastest-growing industry in the region and is projected to grow by 11.7% (2,250), to employ 21,535 workers.
- **Professional, scientific and technical services** is the second-fastest-growing industry in the region and is projected to grow by 9.6%, or 540 workers.
- **Over 36,000 workers (26.7%)** will have a Certificate III & IV level qualification. The largest occupations for workers with this qualification level are metal fitters and machinists, electricians and drillers, miners and shot firers.
- **More than 41%** of workers with a Certificate III & IV level will have a qualification in the field of engineering and related technologies.

