

Anticipating Future Skills Series 5 Fast 5 Facts

Darling Downs - Maranoa

Between 2023-24 and 2027-28:

- 1 Overall employment in the Darling Downs Maranoa region is projected to fall slightly by 0.7% or 475 workers, in part due to a declining population.
- 2 Agriculture, forestry and fishing will continue to be the largest industry in the region with over 12,000 employees.
- **Livestock farmers remains the largest occupation** in the region, employing 4,963 workers. This is despite a slight decline of 139 workers or -2.7%.
- **Rental, hiring and real estate services** is projected to be the fastest-growing industry in the region, increasing by 10.3%.
- **One in four workers** will hold a Certificate III & IV level qualification. The largest occupations for workers with the qualification are livestock farmers, electricians and metal fitters and machinists.

