

Anticipating Future Skills Series 5

Fast 5 Facts

Manufacturing

By 2027-28:

- 1 The manufacturing industry** is projected to decline by 0.5% to a workforce of 182,241 workers.
- 2 The industry is projected** to see a reduction of 828 workers, an ongoing trend as production methods evolve and demand less labour.
- 3 There will be a demand for replacement workers,** meaning there will be 18,891 total job openings.
- 4 The largest industry group,** meat and meat product manufacturing, employs almost 9% (15,783) of all workers in the industry but is expected to fall by 998 workers (5.9%).
- 5 In the Ipswich region,** this industry accounts for 12.6% of regional employment, the largest proportion for a region in the state.

