

Anticipating Future Skills Series 5 Fast 5 Facts

Townsville region

Between 2023-24 and 2027-28:

- **Employment in Townsville** is projected to increase by 4.6% (or 6,091 workers) to 137,989 workers.
- **Health care and social assistance** is the largest-employing industry in the region and is projected to grow by 2,071 workers (9.4%) to employ a total workforce of 24,165.
- **Public administration and safety** is the fastest-growing industry and is projected to grow by 9.7% (1,348 workers) to a total of 15,179 employed.
- **The second and third largest-employing** occupations (after sales assistants) are registered nurses (3,877 workers) and aged and disabled carers (3,745 workers) accounting for almost 7,500 workers in the region.
- More workers will have a Certificate III & IV level qualification than any other qualification level. Workers who hold this qualification will primarily work as electricians, aged and disabled carers and metal fitters and machinists.

