Anticipating Future Skills Series 5

Fast 5 Facts

Wide Bay region

Between 2023-24 and 2027-28:

1 **Employment in Wide Bay** is projected to increase by 3.5% (or 4,613 workers) to 137,460 workers.

2 **Health care and social assistance** is the largest-employing and fastest-growing industry in the region and is projected to grow by 2,598 workers, to employ over 28,000 workers.

3 **The second and third largest-employing** occupations (after sales assistants) are aged and disabled carers (5,387 workers) and registered nurses (4,069 workers) - accounting for almost 10,000 workers in the region.

4 **One in four workers (34,422)** of workers will hold a Certificate III & IV level qualification. The workers with this qualification will primarily work as aged and disabled carers, electricians, carpenters and joiners.

5 **More than 32%** of workers with a Certificate III & IV level will have a qualification in the field of engineering and related technologies.