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Ipswich Region

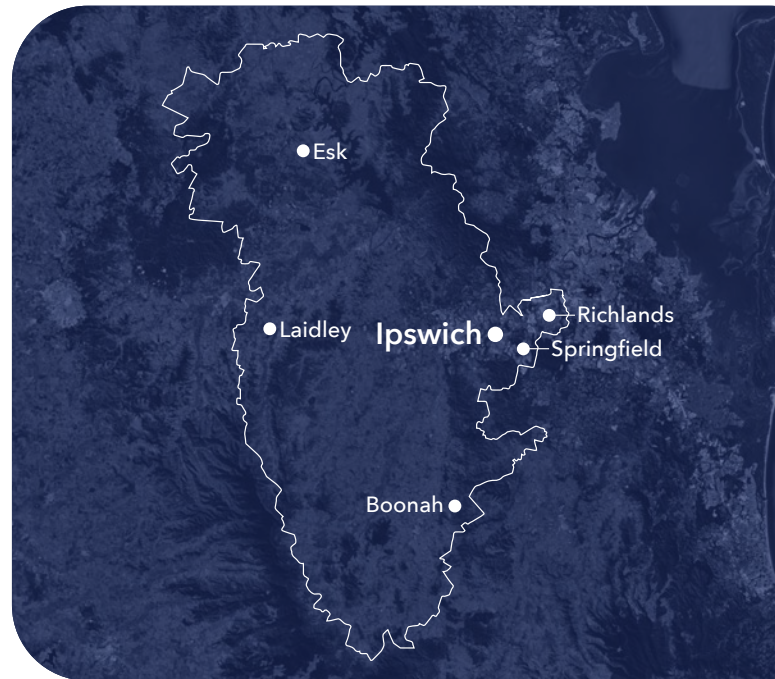


Health care and social assistance is projected to remain a strong and growing industry in the Ipswich region. While manufacturing is projected to grow only slightly, it will employ almost 13% of the region's workforce by 2027-28. Above-average employment growth is projected for a number of industries, such as education and training.

By 2027-28, it is projected* that there will be:

170,959 people employed in this region

+9,518 additional workers since 2023-24



By 2027-28, Ipswich is projected to experience the sixth-fastest increase in employment in Queensland. It is projected to comprise 5.6% of the state's workforce.

| Region | Growth (%) between 2023-24 and 2027-28 | People employed in 2027-28 |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Sunshine Coast | 7.3% | 216,818 |
| Logan - Beaudesert | 6.6% | 151,192 |
| Moreton Bay - North | 6.4% | 95,923 |
| Gold Coast | 6.2% | 376,740 |
| Brisbane | 6.1% | 1,074,452 |
| Ipswich | 5.9% | 170,959 |
| Moreton Bay - South | 5.5% | 80,034 |
| Toowoomba | 4.7% | 86,785 |
| Townsville | 4.6% | 137,989 |
| Cairns | 4.5% | 149,082 |
| Central Queensland | 3.8% | 135,361 |
| Wide Bay | 3.5% | 137,460 |
| Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday | 3.4% | 119,334 |
| Far North | 1.1% | 14,268 |
| Outback - North | 0.2% | 24,998 |
| Darling Downs - Maranoa | -0.7% | 68,429 |
| Outback - South | -2.4% | 10,093 |

* Projections are based on the 2024-25 State Budget and are not directly comparable to subsequent Budget Update forecasts for aggregate employment growth. As these projections are high level, indicative and subject to change, it is recommended that the focus be on employment trends rather than the numbers in isolation. The regions used in this project are based on Statistical Area Level (SA4) regions, as defined by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. There are 19 SA4s in Queensland; the five Brisbane SA4s have been combined in this report to take into account the larger natural labour market. Queensland - Outback SA4 has been disaggregated into its SA3 components. Data is based on Place of Work.

By 2027-28, it is projected that the Ipswich workforce will be employed within:

| Industry | People employed | % of regional workforce | % change since 2023-24 | Largest occupational groupings |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--|
|  Health care and social assistance | 27,245 | 15.9 | ↑13.4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Aged and Disabled Carers ○ Registered Nurses ○ Child Carers ○ Nursing Support and Personal Care Workers |
|  Manufacturing | 21,559 | 12.6 | ↑1.5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Structural Steel and Welding Trades Workers ○ Metal Fitters and Machinists ○ Production Managers ○ Packers |
|  Public administration and safety | 16,934 | 9.9 | ↑8.6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Defence Force Members - Other Ranks ○ Police ○ General Clerks ○ Security Officers and Guards |
|  Education and training | 16,709 | 9.8 | ↑10.4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Secondary School Teachers ○ Primary School Teachers ○ Education Aides ○ Child Carers |
|  Construction | 15,894 | 9.3 | ↑3.6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Electricians ○ Carpenters and Joiners ○ Construction Managers ○ Plumbers |
|  Retail trade | 14,733 | 8.6 | ↑3.3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sales Assistants (General) ○ Retail Managers ○ Checkout Operators and Office Cashiers ○ Shelf Fillers |
|  Transport, postal and warehousing | 10,443 | 6.1 | ↑3.0 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Truck Drivers ○ Automobile Drivers ○ Delivery Drivers ○ Couriers and Postal Deliverers |
|  Accommodation and food services | 10,166 | 5.9 | ↑3.8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bar Attendants and Baristas ○ Kitchenhands ○ Waiters ○ Chefs |
|  Professional, scientific and technical services | 6,752 | 3.9 | ↑8.5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Software and Applications Programmers ○ Solicitors ○ Accountants ○ Civil Engineering Professionals |
|  Other services | 6,107 | 3.6 | ↑1.1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motor Mechanics ○ Hairdressers ○ Beauty Therapists ○ Metal Fitters and Machinists |
|  Wholesale trade | 5,766 | 3.4 | ↑3.8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Storepersons ○ Advertising, Public Relations and Sales Managers ○ Importers, Exporters and Wholesalers ○ Sales Assistants (General) |
|  Agriculture, forestry and fishing | 4,883 | 2.9 | ↑2.8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Livestock Farmers ○ Crop Farmers ○ Livestock Farm Workers ○ Crop Farm Workers |
|  Administrative and support services | 4,719 | 2.8 | ↑2.8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Commercial Cleaners ○ Domestic Cleaners ○ Human Resource Professionals ○ Gardeners |
|  Electricity, gas, water and waste services | 2,006 | 1.2 | ↑3.7 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Truck Drivers ○ Other Stationary Plant Operators ○ Civil Engineering Professionals ○ Other Specialist Managers |
|  Rental, hiring and real estate services | 1,831 | 1.1 | ↑4.1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Real Estate Sales Agents ○ Other Hospitality, Retail and Service Managers ○ General Clerks ○ Land Economists and Valuers |
|  Financial and insurance services | 1,674 | 1.0 | ↑0.9 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bank Workers ○ Financial Brokers ○ Credit and Loans Officers ○ Financial Investment Advisers and Managers |
|  Arts and recreation services | 1,336 | 0.8 | ↑2.5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sports Coaches, Instructors and Officials ○ Fitness Instructors ○ Sportspersons ○ Amusement, Fitness and Sports Centre Managers |
|  Mining | 1,247 | 0.7 | ↑2.5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Drillers, Miners and Shot Firers ○ Metal Fitters and Machinists ○ Other Building and Engineering Technicians ○ Truck Drivers |
|  Information media and telecommunications | 953 | 0.6 | ↑8.3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Film, Television, Radio and Stage Directors ○ Telecommunications Trades Workers ○ Journalists and Other Writers ○ Performing Arts Technicians |

