



ANTICIPATING FUTURE SKILLS

Retail Trade



The Retail Trade engages in the purchase and/or on-selling, without significant transformation, to the general public. It also includes the commission-based buying and the commission-based selling of goods. Goods may be sold using non-traditional means including the internet. It is a large and diverse industry that includes sectors such as motor vehicle and motor vehicle parts retailing, fuel and food retailing, and other store-based retailing, such as hardware, electrical goods and pharmaceutical products.

By 2024-25, it is projected that there will be:

288,438 people employed in Retail Trade in Queensland

+33,503 additional people employed since 2020-21

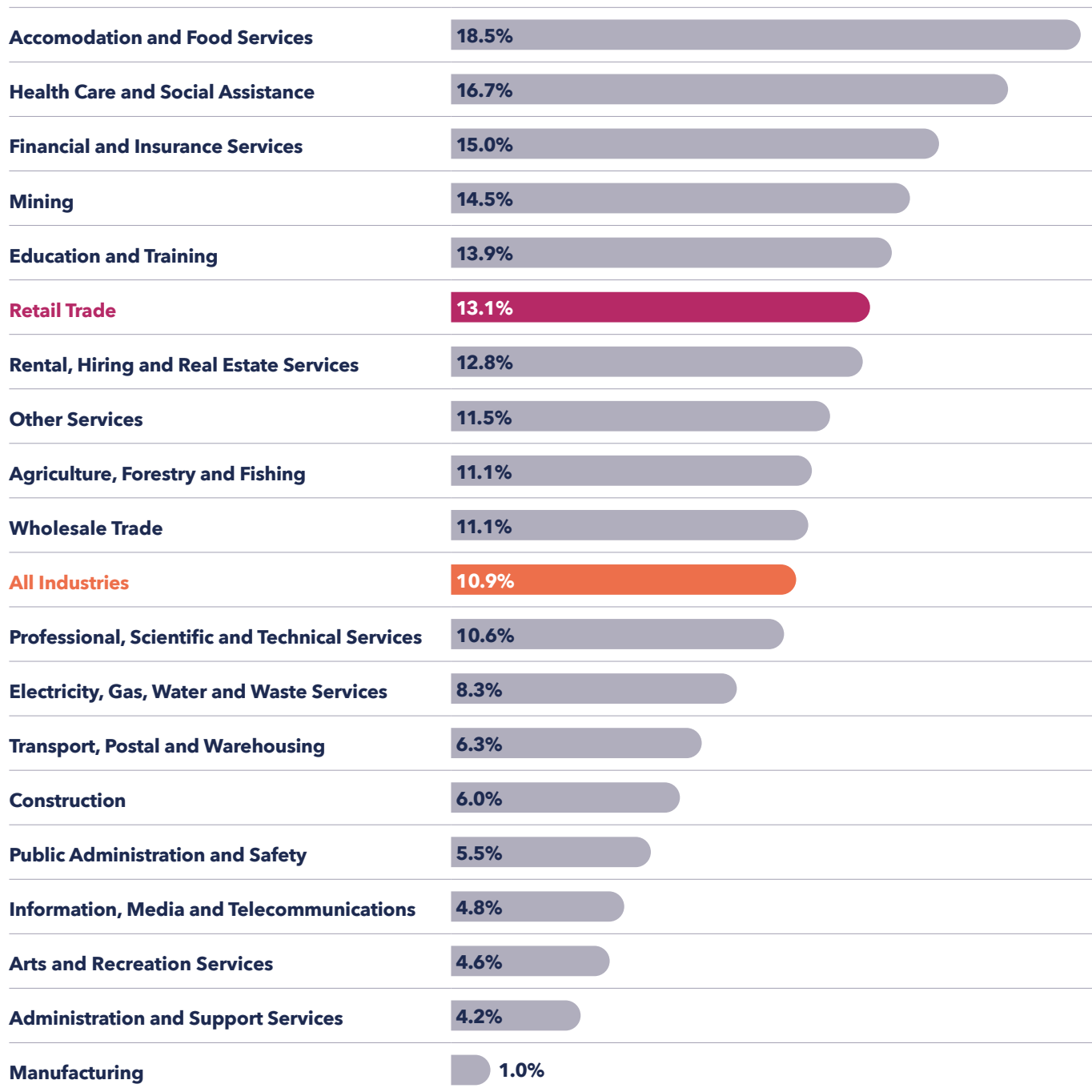
By 2024-25, the four largest Retail Trade subdivisions will be:

Subdivision	People employed	% of industry workforce	Change from 2020-21	Largest occupational groupings
Supermarket and Grocery Stores	70,066	24.3	↑13.3% (+8,228 people)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sales Assistants (General) Checkout Operators and Office Cashiers Shelf Fillers
Pharmaceutical and Other Store-Based Retailing	40,853	14.2	↑2.7% (+1,087 people)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sales Assistants (General) Pharmacy Sales Assistants Pharmacists
Clothing, Footwear and Personal Accessory Retailing	33,359	11.6	↑18.4% (+5,182 people)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sales Assistants (General) Retail Managers Checkout Operators and Office Cashiers
Specialised Food Retailing	23,598	8.2	↑24.6% (+4,658 people)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sales Assistants (General) Retail Managers Butchers and Smallgoods Makers

The Anticipating Future Skills project provides employment projections for Queensland between 2020-21 and 2024-25, enabling Queenslanders to identify job opportunities across industries, occupations and regions.

As these projections are high level and indicative, it is recommended that the focus be on employment trends rather than the numbers in isolation.

By 2024-25, employment in Retail Trade is projected to have the sixth fastest growth in employment out of all industries in Queensland.



In many Queensland regions, Retail Trade is one of the largest employing industries.

Region	New jobs in 2024-25	% of regional workforce
Brisbane	9,997	8.6%
Cairns	1,616	10.9%
Darling Downs - Maranoa	351	7.9%
Central Queensland	1,358	9.4%
Gold Coast	5,029	11.5%
Ipswich	1,888	10.1%
Logan - Beaudesert	2,121	12.9%
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	1,007	8.8%
Moreton Bay - North	1,363	11.9%

Region	New jobs in 2024-25	% of regional workforce
Moreton Bay - South	1,308	15.4%
Far North	38	3.9%
Outback - North	178	5.8%
Outback - South	66	6.9%
Sunshine Coast	3,356	11.9%
Toowoomba	767	10.1%
Townsville	1,351	10.2%
Wide Bay	1,709	11.8%

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