



ANTICIPATING FUTURE SKILLS SERIES

# Accommodation and Food Services

The Accommodation and Food Services industry engages in providing short-term accommodation for visitors and/or meals, snacks, and beverages for consumption by customers both on and off-site. It includes sectors such as hotels, motels, cafes, pubs and restaurants.



By 2025-26, it is projected that there will be:

**220,768** people employed in this industry in Queensland

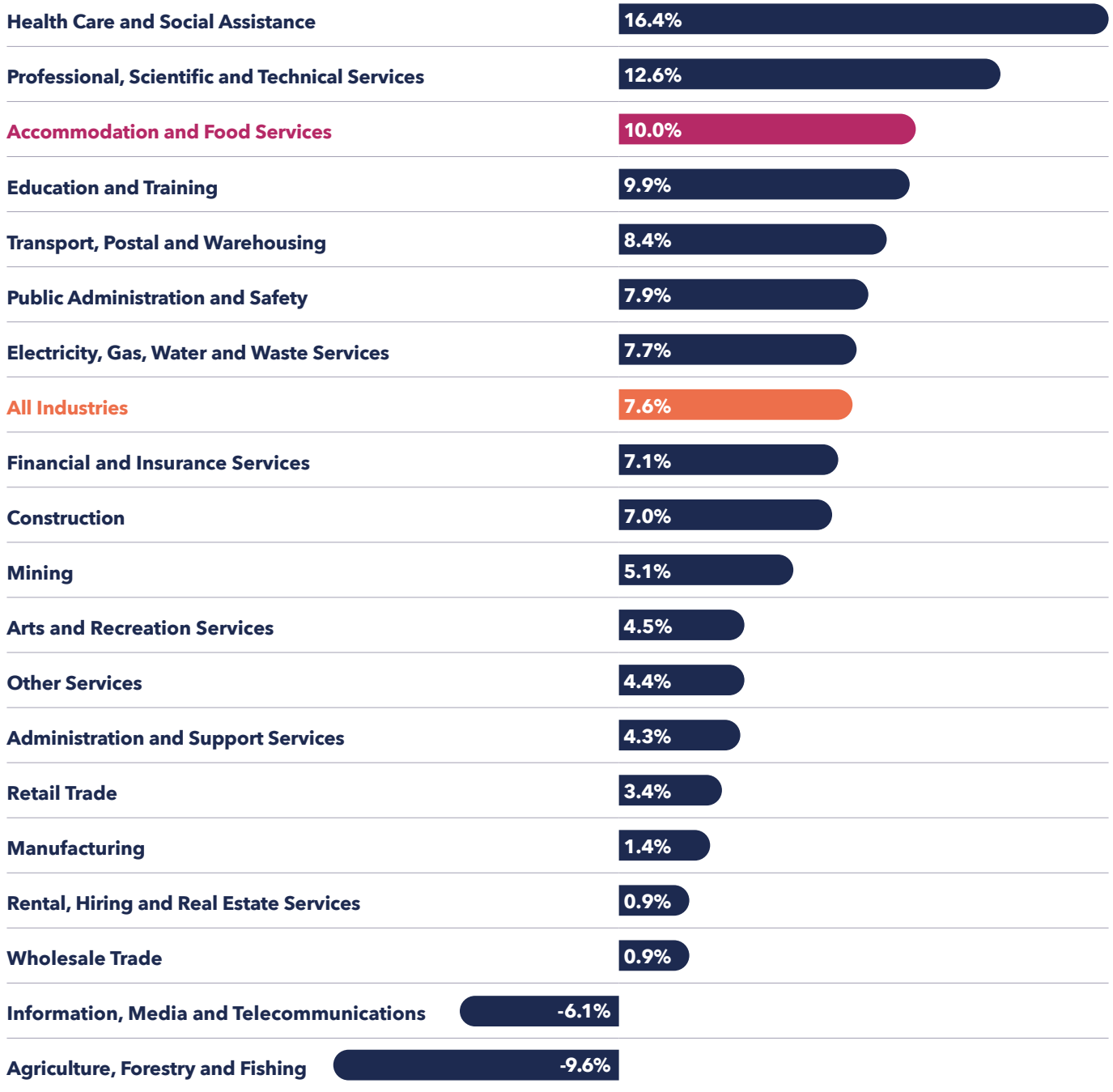
**+20,088** additional people employed since 2021-22

By 2025-26, the four largest Accommodation and Food Services subdivisions will be:

Subdivision	People employed	% of industry workforce	% change from 2021-22	Largest occupational groupings
Cafes, Restaurants and Takeaway Food Services	159,381	72.2	↑10.3 (+14,876 people)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Kitchenhands</li> <li>◦ Waiters</li> <li>◦ Sales Assistants (General)</li> </ul>
Accommodation	31,914	14.5	↑19.2 (+5,135 people)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Housekeepers</li> <li>◦ Hotel and Motel Managers</li> <li>◦ Waiters</li> </ul>
Pubs, Taverns and Bars	22,054	10.0	↑3.9 (+836 people)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Bar Attendants and Baristas</li> <li>◦ Waiters</li> <li>◦ Chefs</li> </ul>
Clubs (Hospitality)	7,419	3.4	↓9.3 (-760 people)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Bar Attendants and Baristas</li> <li>◦ Waiters</li> <li>◦ Licensed Club Managers</li> </ul>

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.

**By 2025-26, employment in Accommodation and Food Services is projected to have the third fastest growth of all industries in Queensland.**



**More than 1 in 10 workers in the Gold Coast region are projected to work in this industry by 2025-26.**

Region	New jobs in 2025-26	% of regional workforce
Brisbane	5,302	6.7
Cairns	1,501	9.9
Darling Downs - Maranoa	310	5.9
Central Queensland	1,477	7.1
<b>Gold Coast</b>	<b>1,579</b>	<b>10.3</b>
Ipswich	662	5.8
Logan - Beaudesert	954	6.4
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	732	8.3
Moreton Bay - North	724	7.7

Region	New jobs in 2025-26	% of regional workforce
Moreton Bay - South	621	7.8
Far North	68	5.2
Outback - North	74	4.4
Outback - South	47	4.6
Sunshine Coast	2,493	9.5
Toowoomba	650	6.6
Townsville	1,360	7.7
Wide Bay	1,534	7.4

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