



ANTICIPATING FUTURE SKILLS SERIES

Construction

The Construction industry engages in the construction of buildings and other structures, additions, alterations, reconstruction, installation and maintenance and repairs of buildings and other structures. It also includes businesses engaged in demolition or wrecking of buildings and other structures, clearing of building sites and blasting, test drilling, landfill, levelling, earthmoving, excavating, land drainage and other land preparation.



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

263,727 people employed in this industry in Queensland

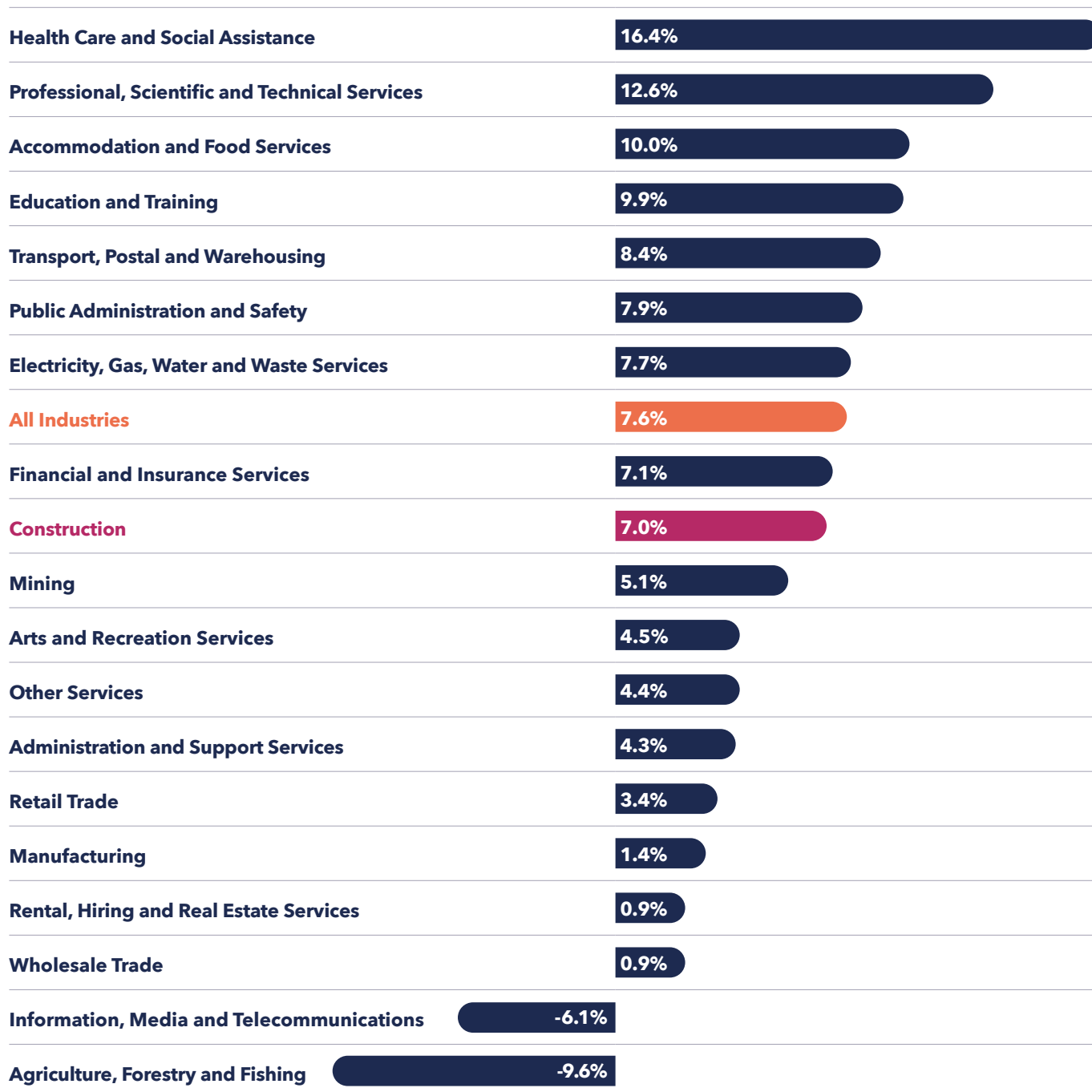
+17,152 additional people employed since 2021-22

By 2025-26, the four largest Construction subdivisions will be:

| Subdivision | People employed | % of industry workforce | % change from 2021-22 | Largest occupational groupings |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Building Installation Services | 61,160 | 23.2 | ↑6.6 (+3,789 people) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Electricians Plumbers Airconditioning and Refrigeration Mechanics |
| Residential Building Construction | 47,555 | 18.0 | ↑9.2 (+4,003 people) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carpenters and Joiners Construction Managers Architectural, Building and Surveying Technicians |
| Building Completion Services | 43,354 | 16.4 | ↑2.4 (+1,007 people) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carpenters and Joiners Painting Trades Workers Plasterers |
| Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction | 28,504 | 10.8 | ↑12.9 (+3,254 people) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Civil Engineering Professionals Earthmoving Plant Operators Building and Plumbing Labourers |

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 Construction is projected to have the ninth fastest growth of all industries in Queensland.



Regions in South East Queensland tend to have higher proportions of people working in Construction than other parts of the state.

| Region | New jobs in 2025-26 | % of regional workforce |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Brisbane | 4,553 | 4.3 |
| Cairns | 728 | 8.1 |
| Darling Downs - Maranoa | 352 | 9.1 |
| Central Queensland | 1,531 | 8.7 |
| Gold Coast | 474 | 11.6 |
| Ipswich | 726 | 9.1 |
| Logan - Beaudesert | 1,383 | 13.7 |
| Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday | 301 | 7.2 |
| Moreton Bay - North | 853 | 12.3 |

| Region | New jobs in 2025-26 | % of regional workforce |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Moreton Bay - South | 875 | 14.0 |
| Far North | 66 | 7.6 |
| Outback - North | 49 | 5.2 |
| Outback - South | 85 | 9.1 |
| Sunshine Coast | 2,087 | 12.3 |
| Toowoomba | 636 | 8.6 |
| Townsville | 1,178 | 8.3 |
| Wide Bay | 1,273 | 7.9 |

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