

## Question on Notice

No. 190

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**MR S ANDREW** ASKED DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR TRADE AND INVESTMENT (HON C DICK)—

### QUESTION:

Will the Treasurer advise (reported separately by sector and year) since 2015 (a) how much Queensland manufacturing generated in ‘gross value added’, (b) how much Queensland agriculture generated in ‘gross value added’, (c) how much commercial fishing generated in ‘gross value added’ and (d) number of people employed in each sector?

### ANSWER:

Over the past nine years, strong labour market conditions have prevailed in Queensland, particularly during the recovery phase from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Since January 2015, in trend terms, 587,600 jobs have been created in Queensland. Furthermore, compared with pre-COVID March 2020, employment in Queensland has risen by 342,100 persons in February 2024, which is among the largest gains in Australia over this period.

According to publicly available data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), gross value added (GVA) in the manufacturing industry in Queensland was:

- 2015-16: \$19.8 billion
- 2016-17: \$20.1 billion
- 2017-18: \$21.4 billion
- 2018-19: \$21.6 billion
- 2019-20: \$21.3 billion
- 2020-21: \$22.3 billion
- 2021-22: \$24.7 billion
- 2022-23: \$27.3 billion

GVA in the agriculture, forestry and fishing industry in Queensland was:

- 2015-16: \$9.5 billion
- 2016-17: \$10.6 billion
- 2017-18: \$10.0 billion
- 2018-19: \$8.6 billion
- 2019-20: \$8.4 billion
- 2020-21: \$10.3 billion
- 2021-22: \$13.3 billion
- 2022-23: \$12.9 billion

Value added for commercial fishing in Queensland is not separately published by the ABS and is therefore incorporated in the broader agriculture, forestry, and fishing industry GVA data listed above.

ABS data show employment in the manufacturing industry in Queensland was:

- 2015-16: 168,900 persons
- 2016-17: 164,500 persons
- 2017-18: 170,500 persons
- 2018-19: 171,400 persons
- 2019-20: 164,800 persons
- 2020-21: 178,200 persons
- 2021-22: 187,400 persons
- 2022-23: 177,700 persons

Employment in the agriculture, forestry, and fishing industry in Queensland was:

- 2015-16: 58,700 persons
- 2016-17: 52,600 persons
- 2017-18: 63,300 persons
- 2018-19: 70,100 persons
- 2019-20: 80,700 persons
- 2020-21: 85,100 persons
- 2021-22: 68,100 persons
- 2022-23: 57,600 persons

Employment data for commercial fishing is not separately published by the ABS. However, according to the ABS' detailed labour force data, the fishing, hunting, and trapping sub-component provides a close approximation for commercial fishing in Queensland.

Fishing, hunting, and trapping employment in Queensland was:

- 2015-16: 1,500 persons
- 2016-17: 1,700 persons
- 2017-18: 1,200 persons
- 2018-19: 800 persons
- 2019-20: 900 persons
- 2020-21: 2,300 persons
- 2021-22: 1,100 persons
- 2022-23: 1,900 persons