

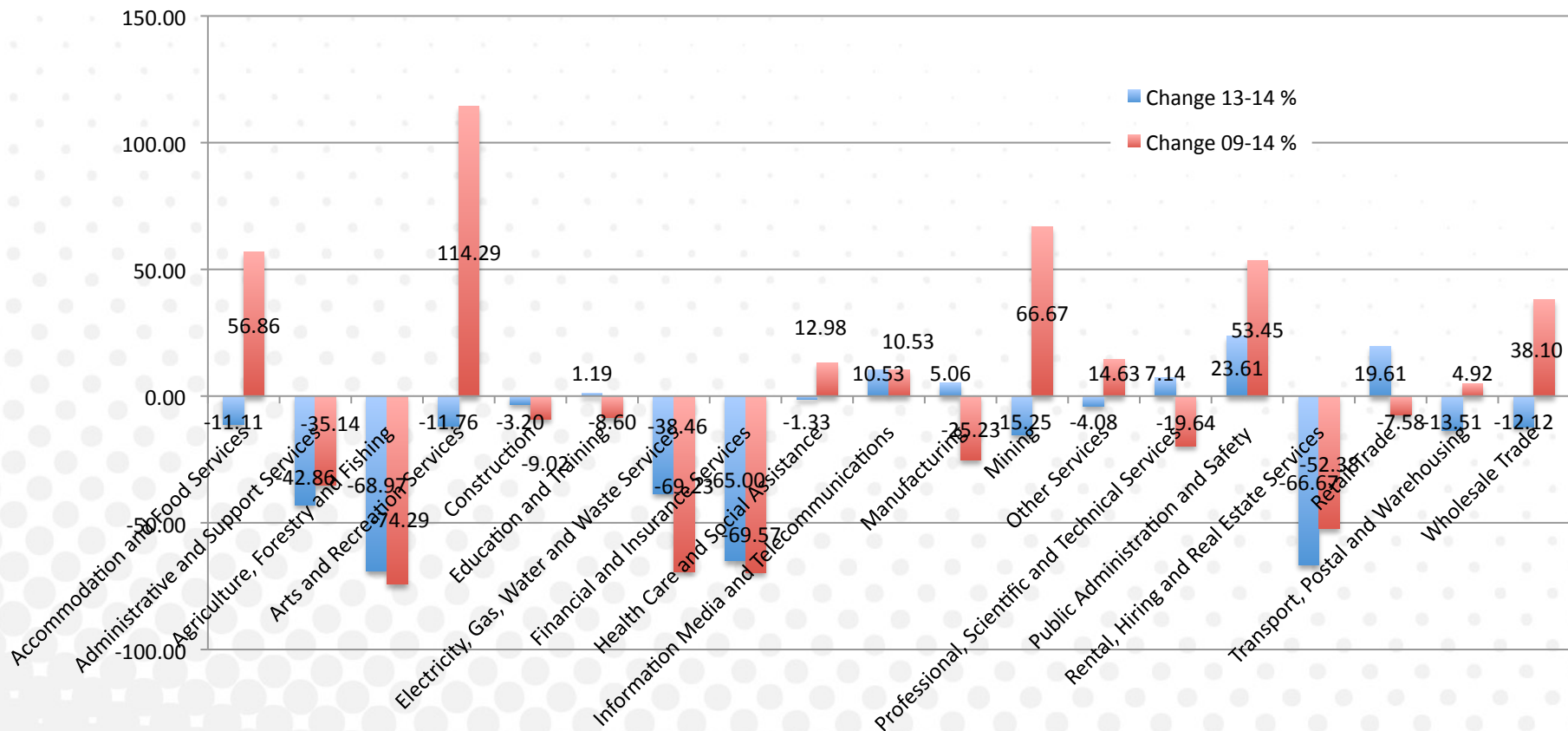


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## Townsville SA4 Labour Market:

- In the last 12 months there has been a **calamitous collapse** in the region's labour market:
  - May 2013 the SA4 economy employed 118,700 persons
  - May 2014, it employed 107,500 persons
  - **Net loss of 11,200 jobs** or -9.44%
- The situation isn't much better when taken over a longer term:
  - May 2009 the economy employed 115,600 persons
  - By May 2014, it employed 8,100 fewer persons or -7.01%
- The last 12 months caps off a region that is experiencing secular structure transformation in its employment base

# Townsville SA4 Labour Market: Change in Employment by Industry



# Getting a sense of magnitudes I

- These sectors exhibited significant negative employment growth for both the 2009-14 and 2013-14 periods
  - Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing
  - Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services
  - Administration and Support Services
  - Utilities
  - Finance and Insurance
  - To a much lesser extent, Construction also exhibited employment contraction (-9% and -3% respectively)

## Getting a sense of magnitudes II

- The **23,400 jobs** lost over the past five years have been in the following industries:
  - Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing (-7,800; 33% of jobs lost) (6,000 in the last 12 months)
  - Manufacturing (-2,800; 12%) (actually grew 400 in last 12 months)
  - Mining (-2,000; 8.5%)
  - Utilities (-1,800; 7.7%)
  - Health Care and Social Services (-1,700; 7.3%)
  - Finance and Insurance (-1,600; 6.8%)
  - Administration and Support Services (-1,300; 5.6%)
  - Construction (-1,200; 5.1%)
  - Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services (-1,100; 4.7%)
  - Professional, Scientific and Technical Services (-1,100; 4.7%)
  - Retail Trade (-1,000; 4.3%)

## Getting a sense of magnitudes III

- At the same time (2009-2014) **9,300 jobs** were created:
  - Accommodation and Food Services (2,900; 31%) (though down in the last 12 months by 1,000)
  - Mining (2,000; 21.5%) (though down 900 in last 12 months)
  - Wholesale Trade (1,700; 18.3%) (though down 400 in last 12 months)
  - Arts and Recreation (800; 8.6%) (down 200 in last 12 months)
  - Healthcare (800; 8.6%) (down 200 in last 12 months)
  - Other Services (600; 6.5%) (down 200 in last 12 months)
  - Transport, Postal and Warehousing (300; 3.2%) (down 1,000 in last 12 months)
  - Information and Media (200; 2.2%) (all created in last 12 months)