

Regional youth unemployment, May 2015

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Table 1: Youth unemployment rate by SA4

SA4	May 2014	May 2015	Annual change
	— % —	— % —	percentage point
Brisbane - East	13.2	11.3	-2.0
Brisbane - North	8.6	11.9	3.3
Brisbane - South	15.7	14.0	-1.6
Brisbane - West	13.0	11.9	-1.2
Brisbane Inner City	8.8	10.5	1.8
Ipswich	19.3	16.6	-2.6
Logan - Beaudesert	16.5	16.5	0.0
Moreton Bay - North	19.2	13.7	-5.5
Moreton Bay - South	10.1	8.5	-1.6
Cairns	21.8	21.5	-0.3
Darling Downs - Maranoa	11.4	9.6	-1.8
Fitzroy	10.5	12.7	2.2
Gold Coast	13.8	14.8	0.9
Mackay	8.4	13.2	4.7
Queensland - Outback	11.9	15.6	3.7
Sunshine Coast	12.4	13.3	1.0
Toowoomba	12.1	11.9	-0.2
Townsville	11.2	18.6	7.4
Wide Bay	17.5	21.6	4.2
Queensland	13.6	14.3	0.6

Main findings

Note: All data in this report are based on a 12-month moving average.

- Moreton Bay - South SA4 had the lowest youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s during May 2015 with an unemployment rate of 8.5 per cent (Figure 1).
- Wide Bay SA4 had the highest youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s during May 2015 with an unemployment rate of 21.6 per cent (Figure 1).
- Moreton Bay - North SA4 had the largest percentage point decrease in the youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s over the year to May 2015 with a youth unemployment rate decrease of 5.5 percentage points (Figure 2).
- Townsville SA4 had the largest percentage point increase in the youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s over the year to May 2015 with a youth unemployment rate increase of 7.4 percentage points (Figure 2).

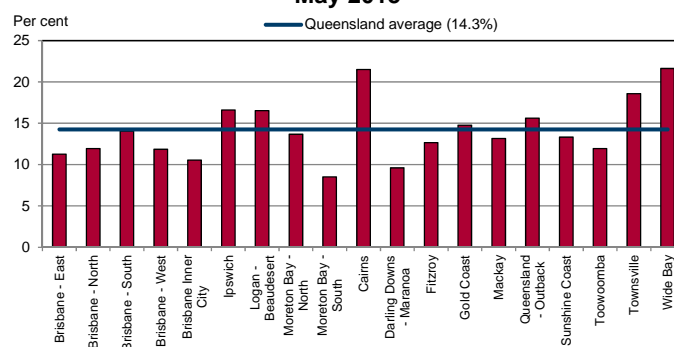
Notes (Refer to website for more detailed notes):

Youth refers to persons aged 15 to 24 years.

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2011 edition)

Data for Queensland as a whole are provided for reference purposes only.

The labour force statistics presented in this brief are on a sample basis and will include a sampling error.

Figure 1: Youth unemployment rate by SA4, May 2015**Figure 2: Annual change in youth unemployment by SA4, May 2015**