

# Regional youth unemployment, July 2015

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**Table 1: Youth unemployment rate by SA4**

SA4	Jul 2014	Jul 2015	Annual change
	— % —	— % —	percentage point
Brisbane - East	13.1	10.5	-2.6
Brisbane - North	10.5	10.8	0.3
Brisbane - South	15.3	13.1	-2.2
Brisbane - West	12.9	10.1	-2.8
Brisbane Inner City	7.8	12.1	4.3
Ipswich	20.1	16.5	-3.6
Logan - Beaudesert	16.4	16.7	0.3
Moreton Bay - North	18.9	13.1	-5.8
Moreton Bay - South	10.7	9.1	-1.6
Cairns	20.4	22.1	1.7
Darling Downs - Maranoa	12.2	8.8	-3.4
Fitzroy	9.5	14.0	4.5
Gold Coast	14.2	14.6	0.4
Mackay	8.6	14.4	5.8
Queensland - Outback	12.4	15.1	2.7
Sunshine Coast	12.6	12.4	-0.2
Toowoomba	12.3	11.3	-1.0
Townsville	13.2	19.7	6.5
Wide Bay	16.8	21.8	5.1
<b>Queensland</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>0.4</b>

## Main findings

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

- Darling Downs - Maranoa SA4 had the lowest youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s during July 2015 with an unemployment rate of 8.8 per cent (Figure 1).
- Cairns SA4 had the highest youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s during July 2015 with an unemployment rate of 22.1 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 July 2015 with a youth unemployment rate decrease of 5.8 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 July 2015 with a youth unemployment rate increase of 6.5 percentage points (Figure 2).

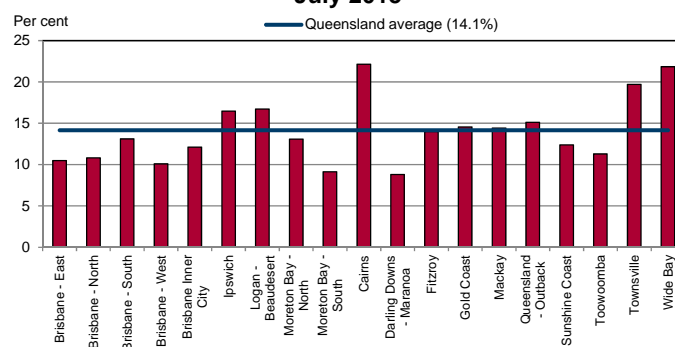
Notes (Refer to website for more detailed notes):

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, July 2015****Figure 2: Annual change in youth unemployment by SA4, July 2015**