

Regional youth unemployment, August 2015

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Table 1: Youth unemployment rate by SA4

SA4	Aug 2014	Aug 2015	Annual change
	— % —	— % —	percentage point
Brisbane - East	12.1	10.7	-1.4
Brisbane - North	10.9	10.3	-0.5
Brisbane - South	16.0	12.3	-3.8
Brisbane - West	13.1	10.1	-3.0
Brisbane Inner City	7.3	12.6	5.3
Ipswich	20.3	15.6	-4.8
Logan - Beaudesert	16.0	17.1	1.1
Moreton Bay - North	18.6	12.7	-5.9
Moreton Bay - South	10.8	9.3	-1.4
Cairns	19.9	22.1	2.2
Darling Downs - Maranoa	12.1	8.8	-3.3
Fitzroy	9.8	14.2	4.4
Gold Coast	14.1	14.6	0.5
Mackay	9.0	14.9	5.9
Queensland - Outback	13.1	18.6	5.5
Sunshine Coast	12.8	11.4	-1.3
Toowoomba	12.9	10.1	-2.8
Townsville	13.4	20.3	6.9
Wide Bay	16.3	22.0	5.7
Queensland	13.7	14.0	0.3

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 August 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 August 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 August 2015 with a youth unemployment rate decrease of 5.9 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 August 2015 with a youth unemployment rate increase of 6.9 percentage points (Figure 2).

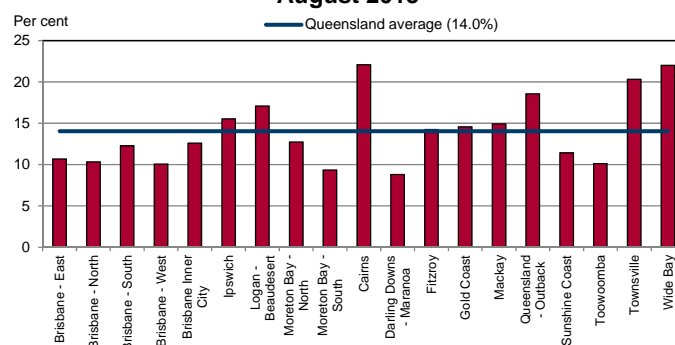
Notes (Refer to website for more detailed notes):

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