

# Regional youth unemployment, August 2017

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**Table 1 Youth unemployment rate by SA4**

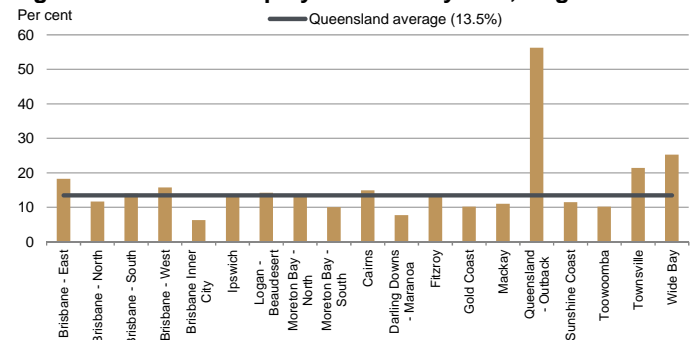
SA4	Aug 16	Aug 17	Annual change percentage point
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Brisbane - East	15.6	18.3	2.7
Brisbane - North	9.0	11.7	2.6
Brisbane - South	13.1	14.0	0.9
Brisbane - West	10.8	15.8	5.0
Brisbane Inner City	5.8	6.2	0.4
Ipswich	13.1	13.0	-0.1
Logan - Beaudesert	14.2	14.2	0.0
Moreton Bay - North	17.3	13.4	-3.9
Moreton Bay - South	12.1	10.0	-2.1
Cairns	27.5	14.9	-12.6
Darling Downs - Maranoa	7.7	7.7	0.0
Fitzroy	8.3	13.5	5.2
Gold Coast	12.0	10.2	-1.8
Mackay	9.7	11.0	1.3
Queensland - Outback	35.8	56.3	20.5
Sunshine Coast	9.7	11.4	1.7
Toowoomba	10.1	10.2	0.1
Townsville	16.1	21.4	5.3
Wide Bay	22.0	25.3	3.3
<b>Queensland</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>

## Main findings

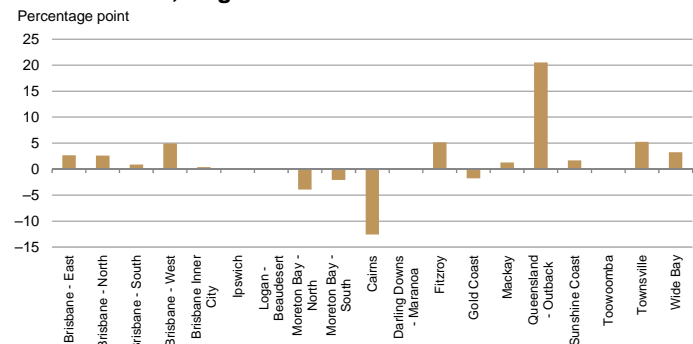
Note: All data in this brief are based on 12-month moving averages. This approach is supported by ABS advice on analysis of regional labour force estimates (see Table 16(b) of *Labour Force, Australia, Detailed* (cat. no. 6291.0.55.001)).

- Brisbane Inner City SA4 had the lowest youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s during August 2017 with an unemployment rate of 6.2 per cent (Figure 1).
- Queensland - Outback SA4 had the highest youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s during August 2017 with an unemployment rate of 56.3 per cent (Figure 1).
- Cairns SA4 had the largest percentage point decrease in the youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s over the year to August 2017 with an unemployment rate decrease of 12.6 percentage points (Figure 2).
- Queensland - Outback SA4 had the largest percentage point increase in the youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s over the year to August 2017 with an unemployment rate increase of 20.5 percentage points (Figure 2).

**Figure 1 Youth unemployment rate by SA4, August 2017**



**Figure 2 Annual change in youth unemployment rate by SA4, August 2017**



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.

Calculations are based on pre-rounded figures.