

Regional youth unemployment, December 2017

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Table 1 Youth unemployment rate by SA4

SA4	Dec 16	Dec 17	Annual change
	— % —		percentage point
Brisbane - East	19.5	12.3	-7.2
Brisbane - North	9.1	11.3	2.2
Brisbane - South	13.6	12.8	-0.9
Brisbane - West	13.9	14.1	0.2
Brisbane Inner City	5.6	5.6	0.0
Ipswich	13.9	12.6	-1.2
Logan - Beaudesert	13.4	16.1	2.7
Moreton Bay - North	15.3	15.1	-0.3
Moreton Bay - South	9.8	11.7	1.9
Cairns	26.4	13.8	-12.6
Darling Downs - Maranoa	9.2	9.2	0.0
Fitzroy	10.4	12.5	2.1
Gold Coast	12.5	9.8	-2.7
Mackay	8.4	10.0	1.5
Queensland - Outback	34.4	62.0	27.6
Sunshine Coast	10.6	11.5	0.9
Toowoomba	10.2	10.6	0.4
Townsville	19.4	19.4	-0.0
Wide Bay	24.5	27.0	2.6
Queensland	13.5	13.1	-0.4

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 December 2017 with an unemployment rate of 5.6 per cent (Figure 1).
- Queensland - Outback SA4 had the highest youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s during December 2017 with an unemployment rate of 62.0 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 December 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 December 2017 with an unemployment rate increase of 27.6 percentage points (Figure 2).

Figure 1 Youth unemployment rate by SA4, December 2017

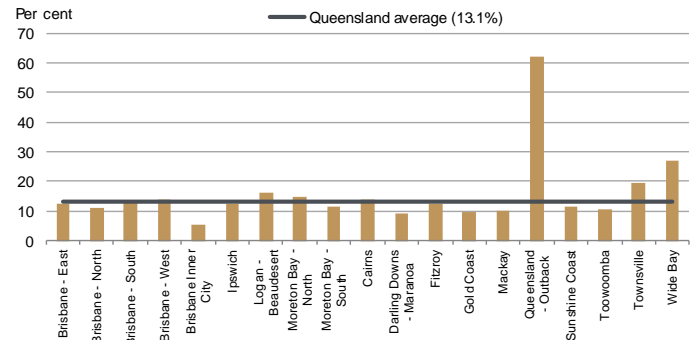
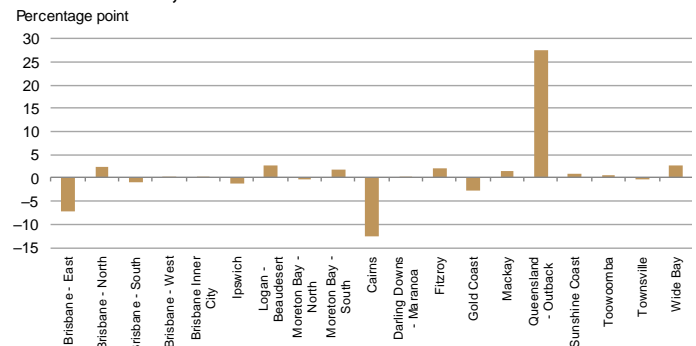


Figure 2 Annual change in youth unemployment rate by SA4, December 2017



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.