

Regional youth unemployment, January 2018

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Table 1 Youth unemployment rate by SA4

| SA4 | Jan 17 | Jan 18 | Annual change |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| | — % — | | percentage point |
| Brisbane - East | 19.8 | 11.0 | -8.7 |
| Brisbane - North | 8.5 | 10.6 | 2.0 |
| Brisbane - South | 13.7 | 13.5 | -0.2 |
| Brisbane - West | 14.3 | 14.7 | 0.4 |
| Brisbane Inner City | 5.4 | 5.9 | 0.5 |
| Ipswich | 13.8 | 13.3 | -0.5 |
| Logan - Beaudesert | 12.7 | 17.0 | 4.3 |
| Moreton Bay - North | 15.0 | 15.7 | 0.7 |
| Moreton Bay - South | 9.0 | 11.7 | 2.7 |
| Cairns | 24.6 | 14.5 | -10.1 |
| Darling Downs - Maranoa | 8.8 | 9.5 | 0.7 |
| Fitzroy | 10.7 | 12.3 | 1.7 |
| Gold Coast | 11.8 | 9.9 | -1.9 |
| Mackay | 8.2 | 9.8 | 1.6 |
| Queensland - Outback | 36.6 | 62.0 | 25.4 |
| Sunshine Coast | 10.7 | 11.5 | 0.8 |
| Toowoomba | 10.3 | 10.5 | 0.2 |
| Townsville | 20.8 | 18.3 | -2.5 |
| Wide Bay | 24.3 | 27.9 | 3.6 |
| Queensland | 13.3 | 13.3 | -0.1 |

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 January 2018 with an unemployment rate of 5.9 per cent (Figure 1).
- Queensland - Outback SA4 had the highest youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s during January 2018 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 January 2018 with an unemployment rate decrease of 10.1 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 January 2018 with an unemployment rate increase of 25.4 percentage points (Figure 2).

Figure 1 Youth unemployment rate by SA4, January 2018

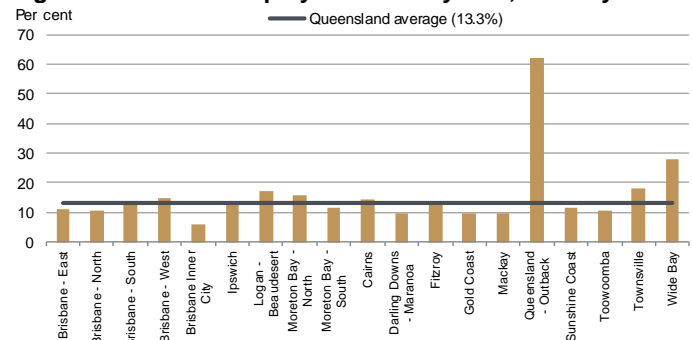
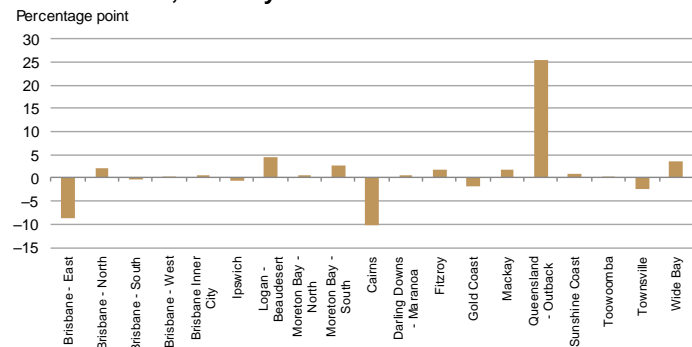


Figure 2 Annual change in youth unemployment rate by SA4, January 2018



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.