

Modelled regional youth unemployment, July 2025

Source: ABS, *Labour force, Australia, detailed*, released 21 August 2025, 11:30 am (AEST)

Table 1 Youth unemployment rate by SA4

SA4	July 2024	July 2025	Annual change
	— % —		percentage point
Brisbane - East	9.8	9.3	-0.5
Brisbane - North	8.8	8.5	-0.3
Brisbane - South	9.5	9.0	-0.6
Brisbane - West	8.1	7.8	-0.3
Brisbane Inner City	6.8	6.4	-0.4
Cairns	11.0	10.3	-0.8
Central Queensland	9.8	9.1	-0.7
Darling Downs - Maranoa	7.5	7.2	-0.3
Gold Coast	7.0	6.5	-0.5
Ipswich	13.1	12.4	-0.7
Logan - Beaudesert	13.2	12.9	-0.4
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	6.0	5.7	-0.3
Moreton Bay - North	13.1	12.2	-0.9
Moreton Bay - South	9.9	9.4	-0.5
Queensland - Outback	16.8	16.1	-0.7
Sunshine Coast	7.6	7.0	-0.6
Toowoomba	9.2	8.8	-0.4
Townsville	10.6	10.1	-0.6
Wide Bay	13.8	12.6	-1.1
Queensland	9.7	9.2	-0.6

Main findings

Note: All data in this brief are based on 12-month moving averages of modelled estimates due to seasonal variation and noise associated with regional labour force modelled estimates.

The modelled regional labour force estimates enhance the direct survey estimates of regional labour market data using administrative data and statistical modelling.

- Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday SA4 had the lowest youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s during July 2025 with an unemployment rate of 5.7% (Figure 1).
- Queensland - Outback SA4 had the highest youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s during July 2025 with an unemployment rate of 16.1% (Figure 1).
- Wide Bay SA4 had the largest percentage point decrease in the youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s over the year to July 2025 with an unemployment rate decrease of 1.1 percentage points (Figure 2).
- Brisbane - North SA4 had the smallest percentage point decrease in the youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s over the year to July 2025 with an unemployment rate decrease of 0.3 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 2016 edition)
Data for Queensland are provided for reference purposes only.
The labour force statistics presented in this brief are on 12-month averages of modelled labour force estimates.
Totals may differ due to rounding. Figures are rounded to nearest 100 persons. Calculations are based on pre-rounded figures.

Figure 1 Youth unemployment rate by SA4, July 2025

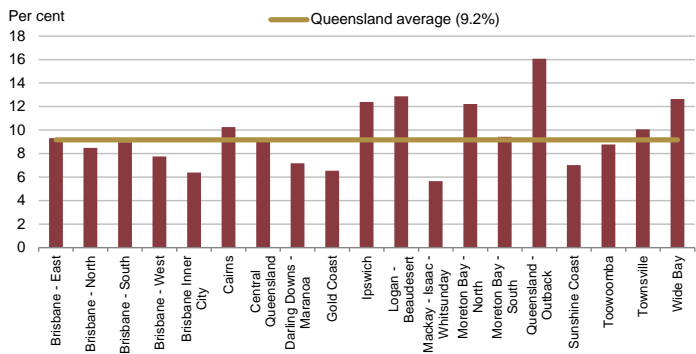
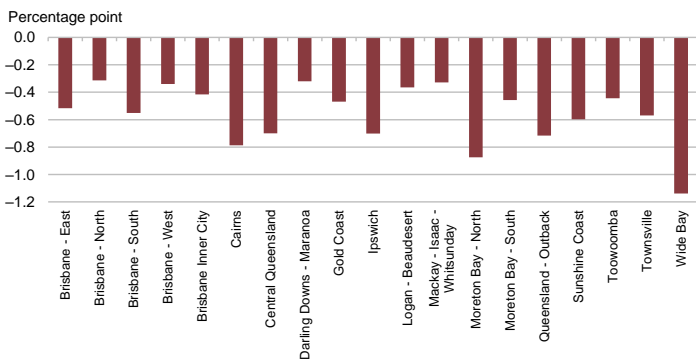


Figure 2 Annual change in youth unemployment rate by SA4, July 2025



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