

Regional youth unemployment, February 2018

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Table 1 Youth unemployment rate by SA4

SA4	Feb 17	Feb 18	Annual change
	— % —		percentage point
Brisbane - East	20.1	10.4	-9.8
Brisbane - North	9.1	10.3	1.2
Brisbane - South	14.4	13.4	-1.0
Brisbane - West	15.0	14.6	-0.4
Brisbane Inner City	4.8	6.5	1.7
Ipswich	13.8	13.7	-0.1
Logan - Beaudesert	12.8	17.3	4.5
Moreton Bay - North	14.4	16.9	2.4
Moreton Bay - South	9.7	12.2	2.5
Cairns	22.9	15.3	-7.6
Darling Downs - Maranoa	8.9	8.8	-0.0
Fitzroy	11.8	12.1	0.3
Gold Coast	11.8	9.4	-2.3
Mackay	8.8	9.2	0.3
Queensland - Outback	38.3	61.0	22.8
Sunshine Coast	11.2	11.6	0.3
Toowoomba	9.7	11.2	1.5
Townsville	21.8	17.9	-3.9
Wide Bay	24.5	28.4	3.9
Queensland	13.5	13.4	-0.2

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 February 2018 with an unemployment rate of 6.5 per cent (Figure 1).
- Queensland - Outback SA4 had the highest youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s during February 2018 with an unemployment rate of 61.0 per cent (Figure 1).
- Brisbane - East SA4 had the largest percentage point decrease in the youth unemployment rate of all 19 SA4s over the year to February 2018 with an unemployment rate decrease of 9.8 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 February 2018 with an unemployment rate increase of 22.8 percentage points (Figure 2).

Figure 1 Youth unemployment rate by SA4, February 2018

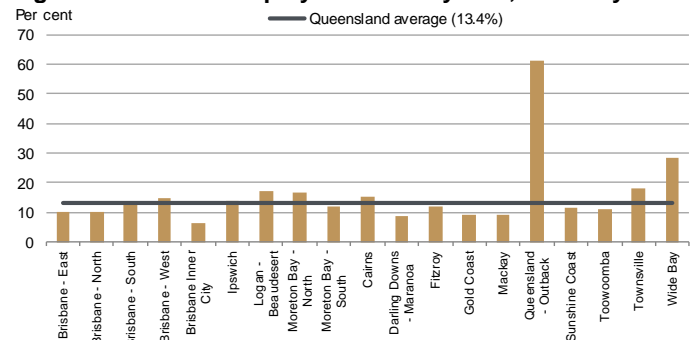
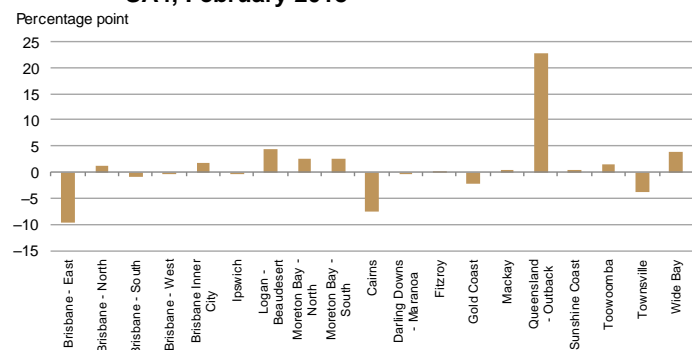


Figure 2 Annual change in youth unemployment rate by SA4, February 2018



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.