

WA Regional Labour Force Data – March 2017
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Western Australia			
Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	1350.9	1340.8	1340.1
Unemployed ('000)	85.1	87.8	89.0
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	6.1%	6.2%
Participation Rate	68.5%	67.5%	67.5%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	10.8%	12.2%	12.4%

Greater Perth (Sub-total)			
Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	1061.4	1051.9	1050.1
Unemployed ('000)	67.7	71.7	72.8
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	6.4%	6.5%
Participation Rate	68.3%	67.3%	67.2%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	11.4%	12.9%	13.2%

Mandurah			
Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	40.7	39.5	39.5
Unemployed ('000)	4.3	5.0	4.8
Unemployment Rate	9.5%	11.2%	10.8%
Participation Rate	54.9%	53.4%	53.1%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	12.5%	19.1%	19.0%

Perth – Inner			
Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	105.5	105.2	104.6
Unemployed ('000)	4.9	4.9	5.3
Unemployment Rate	4.4%	4.5%	4.8%
Participation Rate	71.5%	70.9%	70.7%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	9.4%	8.1%	8.7%

Perth - North East			
Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	131.8	125.5	124.7
Unemployed ('000)	8.2	8.1	8.4
Unemployment Rate	5.8%	6.1%	6.3%
Participation Rate	67.9%	64.3%	64.0%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	11.4%	13.3%	14.6%

Perth - North West

Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	304.3	305.6	305.1
Unemployed ('000)	21.5	20.3	20.7
Unemployment Rate	6.6%	6.2%	6.3%
Participation Rate	70.9%	70.2%	70.1%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	15.0%	13.0%	13.5%

Perth - South East

Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	268.7	267.5	268.0
Unemployed ('000)	15.9	17.8	17.7
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	6.2%	6.2%
Participation Rate	68.1%	67.5%	67.6%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	9.0%	11.4%	11.0%

Perth - South West

Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	210.3	208.7	208.2
Unemployed ('000)	13.3	15.5	16.0
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	6.9%	7.1%
Participation Rate	67.0%	66.5%	66.4%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	10.2%	15.6%	15.7%

Rest of WA (Sub-total)

Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	289.5	288.9	290.0
Unemployed ('000)	17.2	16.1	16.3
Unemployment Rate	5.7%	5.3%	5.3%
Participation Rate	69.4%	68.6%	68.8%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	8.3%	9.4%	9.4%

Bunbury

Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	95.2	88.2	88.5
Unemployed ('000)	4.6	4.3	4.1
Unemployment Rate	4.6%	4.6%	4.5%
Participation Rate	71.1 %	65.5%	65.6%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	5.2%	8.0%	8.0%

WA - Outback

Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	133.6	142.2	142.7
Unemployed ('000)	9.4	7.2	7.3
Unemployment Rate	6.6%	4.8%	4.9%
Participation Rate	74.0%	76.6%	76.8%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	8.0%	6.7%	6.8%

WA - Wheatbelt

Labour Force Status	Mar-2016	Feb-2017	Mar-2017
Employed ('000)	60.7	58.5	58.8
Unemployed ('000)	3.4	4.6	4.8
Unemployment Rate	5.3%	7.3%	7.5%
Participation Rate	58.9%	58.3%	58.7%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	12.8%	18.1%	18.3%

**Data are 12 month averages of original ABS data.*

ABS Labour Force Survey estimates at the regional level are subject to high levels of sampling error and, as such, should be used with caution.

Regions are based on the Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS).

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