



## WA Regional Labour Force Data –August 2017

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Western Australia			
Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	1347.1	1346.3	1348.9
Unemployed ('000)	85.7	87.3	87.0
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	6.1%	6.2%
Participation Rate	68.1%	67.5%	66.5%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	11.2%	13.0%	13.2%

Greater Perth (Sub-total)			
Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	1061.1	1051.3	1053.3
Unemployed ('000)	68.8	72.5	72.0
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	6.4%	6.5%
Participation Rate	68.0%	67.0%	65.6%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	11.9%	13.7%	13.8%

Mandurah			
Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	40.6	39.3	39.7
Unemployed ('000)	5.1	3.4	3.1
Unemployment Rate	11.1%	8.1%	7.2%
Participation Rate	55.4%	51.0%	51.0%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	15.1%	16.0%	14.8%

Perth – Inner			
Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	106.6	104.7	104.6
Unemployed ('000)	4.3	5.2	5.2
Unemployment Rate	3.9%	4.7%	4.7%
Participation Rate	71.6%	70.6%	70.5%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	8.4%	8.5%	8.6%

**Perth - North East**

Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	128.1	123.3	123.5
Unemployed ('000)	8.8	8.8	8.5
Unemployment Rate	6.4%	6.6 %	6.4 %
Participation Rate	66.2%	63.3%	63.2%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	12.4%	18.6%	18.1%

**Perth - North West**

Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	306.6	302.5	302.7
Unemployed ('000)	20.3	21.9	22.3
Unemployment Rate	6.2%	6.8%	6.9%
Participation Rate	70.8%	69.5%	69.5%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	14.0%	15.4%	15.8%

**Perth - South East**

Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	268.7	272.5	273.6
Unemployed ('000)	16.2	17.6	17.7
Unemployment Rate	5.7%	6.1%	6.1%
Participation Rate	67.9%	68.4%	68.6%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	9.5%	10.8%	11.1%

**Perth - South West**

Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	210.5	209.0	208.9
Unemployed ('000)	14.2	15.5	15.3
Unemployment Rate	6.3%	6.9%	6.8%
Participation Rate	67.0%	66.2%	66.1%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	12.6%	14.9%	14.6%

**Rest of WA (Sub-total)**

Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	286.0	295.0	295.9
Unemployed ('000)	16.9	14.8	14.9
Unemployment Rate	5.6%	4.8%	4.8%
Participation Rate	68.3%	69.5%	69.8%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	8.3%	9.8%	10.6%

**Bunbury**

Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	91.5	90.4	90.9
Unemployed ('000)	3.8	4.0	4.1
Unemployment Rate	4.0%	4.2%	4.4%
Participation Rate	67.6 %	66.6%	67.0%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	4.0%	6.2%	6.7%

**WA - Outback**

Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	134.8	143.3	143.1
Unemployed ('000)	9.2	6.8	7.2
Unemployment Rate	6.4%	4.5%	4.8%
Participation Rate	74.1%	76.7%	76.7%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	9.3%	9.0%	11.0%

**WA - Wheatbelt**

Labour Force Status	Aug-2016	July-2017	Aug-2017
Employed ('000)	59.8	61.2	62.0
Unemployed ('000)	3.9	4.0	3.6
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	6.2%	5.6%
Participation Rate	58.7%	60.4%	60.8%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	12.1%	18.5%	17.8%

*\*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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