



## WA Regional Labour Force Data – December 2017

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Western Australia			
Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	1340.8	1355.3	1356.3
Unemployed ('000)	86.9	86.3	85.4
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	6.4%	6.4%
Participation Rate	67.6%	63.5%	62.5%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	11.8%	13.7%	13.6%

Greater Perth (Sub-total)			
Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	1054.2	1058.9	1060.2
Unemployed ('000)	70.3	71.6	70.6
Unemployment Rate	6.3%	6.9%	7.0%
Participation Rate	67.4%	61.8%	60.5%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	12.4%	14.1%	13.9%

Mandurah			
Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	40.1	40.0	39.9
Unemployed ('000)	5.1	2.9	3.0
Unemployment Rate	11.3%	6.7%	7.0%
Participation Rate	54.5%	50.9%	50.9%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	18.7%	15.9%	16.6%

Perth – Inner			
Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	105.7	104.5	104.3
Unemployed ('000)	4.8	4.7	4.6
Unemployment Rate	4.4%	4.3%	4.2%
Participation Rate	71.2%	70.2%	70.2%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	8.4%	8.8%	8.9%

**Perth - North East**

Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	126.3	124.8	125.7
Unemployed ('000)	8.4	8.2	8.2
Unemployment Rate	6.2%	6.1%	6.1%
Participation Rate	64.9%	63.5%	63.5%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	13.5%	16.7%	15.9%

**Perth - North West**

Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	305.4	303.7	303.2
Unemployed ('000)	19.7	22.7	22.2
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	7.0%	6.8%
Participation Rate	70.1%	69.9%	69.9%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	12.7%	16.8%	16.3%

**Perth - South East**

Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	267.6	276.9	277.2
Unemployed ('000)	17.4	17.9	17.8
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	6.1%	6.0%
Participation Rate	67.6%	69.5%	69.6%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	10.5%	11.6%	11.5%

**Perth - South West**

Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	209.1	209.0	209.9
Unemployed ('000)	15.0	15.3	15.0
Unemployment Rate	6.7%	6.8%	6.7%
Participation Rate	66.5%	66.0%	66.1%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	14.8%	14.4%	14.1%

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

Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	286.6	296.3	296.1
Unemployed ('000)	16.6	14.7	14.8
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	4.7%	4.8%
Participation Rate	68.3%	70.1%	70.4%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	9.3%	11.8%	12.5%

**Bunbury**

Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	88.3	92.2	92.8
Unemployed ('000)	4.1	4.8	4.9
Unemployment Rate	4.4%	4.9%	5.0%
Participation Rate	65.5%	68.2%	68.6%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	6.9%	8.4%	9.7%

**WA - Outback**

Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	139.8	140.5	138.6
Unemployed ('000)	8.1	7.0	7.1
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	4.8%	4.9%
Participation Rate	75.9%	76.1%	76.2%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	8.4%	13.3%	14.0%

**WA - Wheatbelt**

Labour Force Status	Dec-2016	Nov-2017	Dec-2017
Employed ('000)	58.5	63.7	64.7
Unemployed ('000)	4.4	2.9	2.8
Unemployment Rate	7.0%	4.4%	4.1%
Participation Rate	58.0%	61.6%	62.3%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	15.3%	15.7%	14.8%

*\*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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