

## WA Regional Labour Force Data – February 2017

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Western Australia			
Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	1350.7	1340.5	1340.8
Unemployed ('000)	85.3	87.7	87.8
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	6.1%	6.1%
Participation Rate	68.6%	67.6%	67.5%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	10.8%	12.0%	12.2%

  

Greater Perth (Sub-total)			
Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	1059.9	1053.4	1051.9
Unemployed ('000)	67.5	71.1	71.7
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	6.3%	6.4%
Participation Rate	68.3%	67.4%	67.3%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	11.2%	12.6%	12.9%

  

Mandurah			
Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	40.9	39.7	39.5
Unemployed ('000)	4.2	5.1	5.0
Unemployment Rate	9.3%	11.4%	11.2%
Participation Rate	55.1%	53.9%	53.4%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	12.6%	18.8%	19.1%

  

Perth – Inner			
Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	104.8	105.9	105.2
Unemployed ('000)	5.2	4.8	4.9
Unemployment Rate	4.7%	4.3%	4.5%
Participation Rate	71.2%	71.3%	70.9%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	10.4%	7.9%	8.1%

  

Perth - North East			
Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	132.5	125.8	125.5
Unemployed ('000)	8.2	8.1	8.1
Unemployment Rate	5.8%	6.0%	6.1%
Participation Rate	68.3%	64.5%	64.3%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	11.3%	12.7%	13.3%

**Perth - North West**

Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	303.7	305.5	305.6
Unemployed ('000)	21.1	20.1	20.3
Unemployment Rate	6.5%	6.2%	6.2%
Participation Rate	70.7%	70.2%	70.2%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	14.7%	13.0%	13.0%

**Perth - South East**

Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	268.4	267.6	267.5
Unemployed ('000)	15.7	17.7	17.8
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	6.2%	6.2%
Participation Rate	68.1%	67.6%	67.5%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	8.5%	10.9%	11.4%

**Perth - South West**

Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	209.6	209.0	208.7
Unemployed ('000)	13.3	15.4	15.5
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	6.9%	6.9%
Participation Rate	66.9%	66.5%	66.5%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	10.0%	15.4%	15.6%

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

Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	290.8	287.1	288.9
Unemployed ('000)	17.8	16.5	16.1
Unemployment Rate	5.8%	5.4%	5.3%
Participation Rate	69.8%	68.3%	68.6%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	8.9%	9.4%	9.4%

**Bunbury**

Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	95.9	88.0	88.2
Unemployed ('000)	4.6	4.2	4.3
Unemployment Rate	4.5%	4.6%	4.6%
Participation Rate	71.6%	65.3%	65.5%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	6.1%	8.0%	8.0%

**WA - Outback**

Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	134.2	140.9	142.2
Unemployed ('000)	9.8	7.8	7.2
Unemployment Rate	6.8%	5.2%	4.8%
Participation Rate	74.5%	76.3%	76.6%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	8.8%	7.6%	6.7%

**WA - Wheatbelt**

Labour Force Status	Feb-2016	Jan-2017	Feb-2017
Employed ('000)	60.8	58.2	58.5
Unemployed ('000)	3.4	4.6	4.6
Unemployment Rate	5.2%	7.3%	7.3%
Participation Rate	59.0%	58.0%	58.3%
15-24 Year old Unemployment Rate	12.7%	16.3%	18.1%

*\*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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