



FACT SHEET

2017 Public Holidays

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The *Holidays Act 1983* (the 'Act') is Queensland legislation that legislates public holidays in Queensland. The confirmed public holidays to be observed in Queensland in 2017 are as follows:

New Year's Day	Sunday, 1 January Monday, 2 January*
Australia Day	Thursday, 26 January
Good Friday	Friday, 14 April
Easter Saturday	Saturday, 15 April
Easter Sunday**	Sunday, 16 April
Easter Monday	Monday, 17 April
Anzac Day	Tuesday, 25 April
Labour Day***	Monday, 1 May
RNA Show (Brisbane only)****	Wednesday, 16 August
Queen's Birthday***	Monday, 2 October
Christmas Day	Monday, 25 December
Boxing Day	Tuesday, 26 December

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- * From Christmas Day 2011, the *Holidays Act 1983* provides for an extra public holiday to be added when New Year's Day falls on a weekend.
- ** On 9 December 2016, the Queensland Government passed the *Industrial Relations Bill 2016* to amend the *Holidays Act 1983* to include Easter Sunday as a public holiday.
- *** On 13 October 2015 amendments to the *Holidays Act 1983* were passed by Parliament prescribing that from 2016, the Labour Day public holiday is to be observed on the first Monday in May, and the Birthday of the Sovereign (Queen's Birthday) public holiday is to be observed on the first Monday in October.
- **** This show day is subject to change.

REGIONAL SHOW HOLIDAYS

Other regional show holidays dates can be found on the Public Holidays page on the Queensland Government Justice and Attorney General website: <http://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/travel/holidays/show/>

GAZETTING OF PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Please note the *Holidays Act 1983* no longer requires the Minister to Gazette standard public holidays, therefore the public holiday list on the first page may be subject to change.

Further Assistance

Financial QHA members are encouraged to contact the QHA's Employment Relations Department (refer the contact details at the bottom of this page) for a confidential discussion about the information in this Fact Sheet, or to discuss any queries relating to specific workplace matters.

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