

VICTORIA STATE REGION PROFILE / 2022

# Homelessness in the Western Metropolitan Region

There are 3,587 people without a home in the Western Metropolitan Region.

Ahead of the 2022 state election, Council to Homeless Persons has released A plan to end homelessness, which maps out the housing and support need in our state. Learn more at **chp.org.au/state-election-2022**.

#### **DEMOGRAPHICS**

	NUMBER OF PEOPLE	PROPORTION OF TOTAL			
BY SEX					
MALE	2116	59.0%			
FEMALE	1491	41.6%			
BY AGE					
0–11	658	18.3%			
12–18	336	9.4%			
19–24	684	19.1%			
25–34	818	22.8%			
35–44	435	12.1%			
45–54	365	10.2%			
55–64	204	5.7%			
65–74	65	1.8%			
75+	36	1.0%			

#### WHERE DO PEOPLE STAY?

	NUMBER OF PEOPLE	PROPORTION OF TOTAL
ROUGH SLEEPING	42	1.2%
SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION	862	24.0%
COUCHSURFING	355	9.9%
BOARDING HOUSES	250	7.0%
OTHER TEMPORARY LODGINGS	6	0.2%
SEVERLEY OVERCROWDED DWELLINGS	2093	58.3%

## Young people and homelessness in the Western Metropolitan Region

Young people without homes have different needs than adults. If they can't safely return home, they are likely to need support to maximise their potential, as well as a home they can afford on a very low income.

There are **1010 young people** without a home in the Western Metropolitan Region.

### WHERE DO YOUNG PEOPLE STAY?

	NUMBER OF PEOPLE	PROPORTION OF TOTAL
ROUGH SLEEPING	3	0.3%
SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION	173	17.1%
COUCHSURFING	55	5.4%
BOARDING HOUSES	32	3.2%
OTHER TEMPORARY LODGINGS	0	0.0%
SEVERLEY OVERCROWDED DWELLINGS	742	73.5%